

Columbia Union Visitor

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

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"226 New 'Flu' Cases"

This was the heading of a news dispatch in a Washington paper January 22. Another from Chicago of same date read; "NEW FLU CASES REPORTED DURING THE DAY TOTAL 2,008." Every day the reports show a constant increase. It is true that the cases are not so severe as in 1919; never-the-less people are becoming alarmed, and there is a desire on the part of many to know how to treat the disease. We have the information they need in our special magazines, and the little book "Epidemics." What are you doing to carry this literature to those who need it?

As a rule the foreigners are affected the worst during the time of an epidemic. No training has been given them on sanitary methods of living, or the simple treatment of disease. These people appreciate help. We now have an opportunity to win them to Christ by helping them physically. Nothing appeals to foreigners more than something in their mother tongue. We have just the magazine needed for the times. The *epidemic special* of all these foreign magazines should be placed in the hands of these people.

We have published at various times the languages in which magazines may be secured. If there are any foreigners in your community, will you not send an order to your Tract Society for some of the *special* magazines, visit the foreign homes, become acquainted with them, and go again with more literature. Where there are sick, and those in need of help, do some Christian help work. In this way they will be drawn to you and learn to love the truth you represent. Their souls are just as precious in the sight of God as we who have had greater privileges, or who live in the regions beyond.

A special campaign for work among foreigners is now on. We are planning to enter thousands of these homes in the next few weeks. A special rate is made to all those who will go out with this foreign literature. Where five or more copies are ordered they can be secured for eight cents each. Order to-day and be a real foreign missionary at home.

V. O. PUNCHES.
Field Sec'y Bureau of Home Missions,

Religious Liberty Day

February 28, 1920.

Religious liberty and human rights were never in greater danger in America than they are at the present time. The changed conditions of unrest in government and in industry have brought to the front the extreme "reform element" who in their endeavor to reform the world by force are assailing our traditional institutions. The domain of the old time American freedom to speak, to print, to peaceable assemble, to worship God according to the guarantees of the First Amendment to the Federal Constitution is being invaded in the name of patriotism. Sedition laws for peace time of the most drastic character are being passed by the state legislatures and even threaten to get a foothold in congress. Sunday law crusades are bobbing up everywhere and stringent Sunday bills are being introduced in our legislative bodies in the states and in congress.

The Press of the country is alarmed. Thinking statesmen are lifting their voices in protest against these encroachments upon the fundamental liberties of the American people. It is high time that we as a people had an awakening on the subject of religious freedom. Now is our time to work. Our people should give a liberal offering for the religious liberty work on RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DAY, FEBRUARY 28. Each church should take a club of 50 copies or more of the *Liberty* magazine at \$3.00 per quarter, and sell or distribute them among the most prominent officials in their locality. Let every one come prepared to cooperate in a substantial way on RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DAY—THE FOURTH SABBATH IN FEBRUARY.

C. S. LONGACRE,

International Secretary of Religious Liberty Department.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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

News Notes

On Sabbath January 17, Elder J. H. Wierts, the German minister in Philadelphia, met with the company at Allen-

town and officiated over the ordinances. After this was over the members participated in an enthusiastic testimony meeting.

On Sunday, Brother Wierts met with the members at Emaus in their annual business meeting. Due to bad weather only a few were present at this service but his presence was greatly enjoyed in both places. He brings a favorable report from both churches.

Last week's issue of the *Visitor* announced the resignation of Elder H. G. Gauker as Home Missionary Secretary to accept the Assistant Home Missionary Secretaryship of the Columbia Union Conference. Since that time this action has been rescinded. Brother Gauker expects to stay in East Pennsylvania.

Elder N. S. Ashton spoke to the North Philadelphia Church members last Sabbath. His timely words were very much appreciated now that their regular minister, Brother Fries, has left.

We again solicit your co-operation in the soon coming colporteur's institute, which will be held at Fleetwood, February 16 to 26. We have planned to make this the greatest and best institute ever held in East Pennsylvania.

The following brethren are expected to meet with us, J. W. Mace, manager of book department of the Review & Herald; Dr. Brown, medical secretary of the Columbia Union; W. B. Walters, manager of the Review & Herald Washington Branch; H. F. Kirk, Columbia Union field secretary; F. E. Hankins, assistant Columbia Union field secretary; Elders D. A. Parsons, H. A. Weaver, H. G. Gauker; W. B. Mohr, and Miss Bessie Acton.

The *Present Truth* publishing board has voted that each local conference be encouraged to circulate in a systematic way ten copies of *Present Truth* per member each week. Let our churches in this conference take up this matter at once and thus spread the truth among their neighbors in this inexpensive way.

Home wanted for a 6 year old boy who was left without a mother, and is temporarily staying with Albertus Toms. Anyone who is desirous of giving this little boy a home, correspond with Brother Toms, Smithsburg, Pa.

Brother C. A. Baum of Fleetwood writes that his wife has undergone an operation for gall stones and is improving nicely. The last report, she was still at the hospital in Reading. We trust she will recover rapidly.

Elder H. A. Weaver has started a series of meetings at Honesdale. The result of a public meeting he conducted several weeks ago. Many became interested at the first service and urged him to return. This he has done, and the prospects are most bright.

The cash plan inaugurated at the Tract Society office is bringing much success and many expressions of this wise move are heard from different ones.

Elder Charles Baierle reports a good attendance at the Sunday night services in the Allentown Church.

Elder Wierts, the German minister, and Elder Bradford, the colored minister, report very favorably their meetings in Philadelphia. The attendance was good from the first. Let us remember these brethren in our prayers.

Brother F. B. Underhill who lives back in the country where his opportunities for doing missionary work are limited, sends in a splendid report that seems wonderful for a man in such circumstances. He has been an invalid for nearly twenty-five years and cannot get out of bed without help. Still he reports many books sold, tracts, and papers given away and missionary letters written. If this dear brother is able to do so much for the Master, how much more should we do who are blessed with good health.

By mistake the above note was placed with the West Virginia news notes in the *Visitor* dated January 29.

"Medical missionary work should be a part of the work of every church in our land."—"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VII., p. 289.

"The health should be as sacredly guarded as the character."—"Christian Temperance, p. 83.

OHIO

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

Columbus Church

The Columbus Church has just finished one of the most prosperous years in its history. Our pastor, Brother Ulrich, has pointed the way and the people have responded nobly to his leading, being careful to pay an honest tithe, and giving liberally of their means for foreign missions and local needs.

The total amount of money handled by the writer during the year of 1919 is in excess of \$19,000.00. Of this amount over \$10,500.00 was tithe, and over \$4,200.00 was for foreign missions and other conference calls. Three thousand four hundred dollars was expended for church and church school maintenance, in paying off mortgage indebtedness, and other obligations which had been hanging over us for some time. In addition to the monies actually paid in, sufficient has been pledged to completely meet the church mortgage indebtedness, and in a few months we hope to have our church property free from debt, and celebrate its clearance in an appropriate manner.

Our Sabbath school is in a flourishing condition. Its faithful and efficient officers have labored earnestly to make it a success in every way, and they have been blessed in their efforts. Our last Thirteenth Sabbath Offering approximated \$262.00 and of the total amount of mission money received, \$1900.00 was contributed through the Sabbath school.

Our Home Missions Department has kept pace with the Sabbath school, and its members have actively engaged in the distribution of truth filled literature. Two hundred twenty-two dollars worth of *Present Truth* series have been systematically placed, in addition to large sales of *Signs* monthly, *Watchman*, and our smaller books.

With gratitude in our hearts to God for the blessing of 1919, we enter 1920, hoping that we may receive yet more freely that we may the more freely give, and thus do our part in hastening the appearing of our Lord and Saviour, and in bringing his Gospel to its glorious consummation.

S. A. CRAIG.
Church Treasurer.

News Notes

Time of Sunset

Sun Time	Eastern Time	Gen. Time
5:32	6:04	5:04

Testimony Corner

Conducted by A. W. Werline

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Is the outlook encouraging?

"The establishing of churches and the erection of meeting houses and school buildings was extended from city to city. In each place the believers were making a united, persevering effort, and the Lord was working to increase His forces. Something was being established that would publish the truth.

"This is the work to be done in America, in Australia, in Europe, and wherever companies are brought into the truth. The companies that are raised up need a place of worship. Schools are needed where Bible instruction may be given to the children. The school-room is needed just as much as is the church building. The Lord has persons to engage in the work of establishing church schools as soon as something is done to prepare the way for them." Vol. VI., p. 109.

"And as believers are raised up, and churches organized, such a school will be found of great value in promoting the permanence and stability of the work. Workers in new territory should not feel free to leave their field of labor till the needed facilities have been provided for the churches under their care. Not only should a humble house of worship be erected, but all necessary arrangements should be made for the permanent establishment of the church school." Vol. VI., p. 108.

Good reports of the meetings in Liberty Center continue to come. We learn from a recent letter that a Methodist minister is very much interested and several people have voluntarily announced their intentions to keep the Sabbath.

In spite of the fact that the weather has been cold, and the roads and streets covered with snow and ice, our colporteurs press ahead and are gaining great victories. They are meeting some most blessed experiences in finding those who have expressed their firm conviction that the Lord had sent the colporteur to them. These people had been wishing for something to help them to understand the prophecies of the Bible, especially those that would give some light on the perplexities of our day.

Professor Werline and Brother Hershberger visited Zanesville last week in the interests of the educational work. Miss Hartsock, the church school teacher in Zanesville, is getting along very nicely with her work.

Among some items noticed in preparing the annual statistics is one which probably has not been presented to the *Visitor* readers. On Sabbath, December 13, Elder Heckman organized a church of ten members at Sandusky. Others will join by transfer later. A full corps of officers was chosen with Brother George Behnfeldt as local leader. The members there have faithfully worked to this end and by a continuance of that liberal and aggressive attitude toward the progress of the cause, will place the Sandusky Church among those of onward influence.

Brother Shidler returned Sunday from a trip through the north-western part of the state. He met a number who plan to engage in the colporteur work in the near future.

Sister Martha Yingling of Ravenna, the mother of one of our colporteurs, fell recently and broke a limb. She is being cared for at the home of her son G. W. Yingling, also of Ravenna.

Having just summed up the work done by the colporteurs during the month of January, we find a slight gain in the valuation of books sold over the sales in January 1919. This speaks well for the fortitude of the workers, for owing to the institute, they had one week less to work during January this year compared with last to say nothing about the marked contrast in weather conditions.

We are glad to say that Mrs. J. I. Cassell, who underwent an operation at the Washington Sanitarium about three weeks ago, is getting along very nicely now and will soon be able to leave the Sanitarium. Mrs. V. O. Panches who had an operation just a few days before was able to return to her home in Mt. Vernon last week.

A card from Brother Dotson brings the sad news of the death of Brother Charles Anderson, a victim of influenza and pneumonia. Brother Dotson was also very sick but had recovered sufficiently to write the card.

It is a common sight to see automobiles during this weather with chains on the driving wheels to prevent slipping, but it took a colporteur to find they would work equally well on human beings. During a very icy day, recently, Brother Taylor found himself unable to continue his work further in safety as he was working in a hilly section, so he made a round of the hardware stores in quest of some "ice creepers," but was unable to find any. Although he had already taken a goodly number of orders that day, he was not satisfied to stop work as had yet a few hours before quitting time. What should he do? The suggestion of chains flashed through his mind. Acting upon it at once, with the assistance of the clerk, he had several lengths of chains wound about his shoes and fastened securely. Soon he was out and at it again. He was rewarded with ten dollars worth more sales for his day's work, putting in ten hours during one of the stormiest days of the winter thus far, and consummating a sale of \$40.00 worth of books.

Speaking of colporteurs we might mention that Mr. Shilder is quite happy over the latest addition to his colporteur list—little Elmore Joseph Shidler.

NEW JERSEY

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

The President's Report

We are printing in this issue of the *Visitor* the per capita weekly offerings for missions of each church in New Jersey. Jersey City German leads the list with a rate of 74 cents a member per week, or very nearly three times the quota for last year. Paterson and Newark English, two of the largest churches in the conference, averaged 72 cent weekly per member, indicating that there is no reason why a large church cannot make good. Five of the churches exceeded last year the 50 cent a week rate which will be the quota for the present year. Fourteen churches received 35 cents a week or more, and only eight failed to make the full 25 cents a week per member. The conference as a whole averaged 47½ cents, and with the blessing of the Lord during the present year, our offerings to missions should go far in excess of the 50 cents set at the Boulder Council. With Spiritualism sweeping the world, Sunday legislation rapidly taking form with tremendous backing of Protestant and Catholic organizations, the statesmen of the world looking with apprehension upon the danger of another world war, and the whole world wide open for the proclamation of the last

message, 1920 should witness such activity on the part of our people as we have never seen before.

W. C. MOFFETT

Per Capita Offerings

Churches in New Jersey

1919

Church	Mem.	Total Offer.	Per Week Per Mem.
J. C. Ger.	44	\$1682.61	\$.74
Paterson Eng.	89	3351.92	.72
Newark Eng.	123	4589.44	.72-
Newark Ger.	13	448.66	.66
Elizabeth	18	516.42	.55
Burlington	48	1232.03	.49
Woodbury	23	570.65	.48
Pleasantville	22	521.55	.46
Jersey C. No. 1	71	1659.62	.45
Newark Col.	20	466.63	.45
Camden	84	1672.70	.38
Ramah	28	555.30	.36
Trenton	142	2665.49	.36
Franklin	22	398.25	.35
Paterson Ger.	37	668.14	.33
Plainfield	24	406.54	.33
Jericho	37	619.92	.32
Vineland	40	673.74	.31
J. C. Swedish	27	368.08	.28
Annandale	11	150.68	.26
Dover	24	326.32	.26
Jer. C. No. 2	61	832.09	.26

Short on 25 cent-a-week fund

Per. Amboy, Sl.	14	159.11	.23
Paulsboro	15	173.07	.22
Asbury Park	9	94.30	.21
Bridgeton	69	713.23	.20
Swedesboro	30	309.72	.20
New. Bohemian	95	740.69	.15
P. Amboy, Dan.	14	110.62	.15
Cape May C.H.	35	255.08	.14

News Notes

On a recent Sabbath Brother N. J. Grant baptized six candidates, five of these connecting with the Jersey City Colored Church and one with the Newark Colored Church.

Elder A. N. Durrant of Pittsburg is booked to open an evangelistic effort in the City of Newark the first week in February. This news brings good cheer to the hearts of our colored members in Newark. This church last year raised 45 cents a member per week for missions and made an exceptionally good record in the Harvest Ingathering.

A report received from Brother Brownell, canvassing in the city of Camden, indicates that in 36 hours orders were taken for "Bible Readings" to the amount of \$183.75. We are endeavoring to find

the man who said that books could not be sold in the cities of New Jersey.

Brother Clarence A. Peacock, leader of the Missionary Volunteer Society of the Jericho Church, has become so stirred over conditions in the world that he is planning to close up his carpenter work and has written for territory, planning to give his whole time to the evangelistic colporteur work. We are convinced that there are many men today doing work that any person could do, who ought to be out giving the message in this way to the world that is hastening on to its doom.

Miss Ernestine Miller, our office stenographer, was happily surprised the other day when her brother, who is acting as an overseas courier, stepped into the office without warning, having just returned from France.

The Debt Raising Campaign is coming into full swing. Following the Ingathering Campaign during the closing days of 1919 Jersey City No. 1 turned in \$1120.00 on its debt and plans to raise the remaining \$2000.00 during 1920. One thousand "Epidemics" were disposed of in connection with this campaign in Jersey City Recommendations are being secured from prominent physicians there.

The Newark Bohemian Church is paying off the last \$1000.00 of its indebtedness on their building. Camden paid off \$650.00 on its indebtedness and plans to wipe out the remaining \$900.00 this year. Trenton combined an "Epidemics" campaign with personal gifts and paid off \$900.00, and is planning to dispose of the remaining \$700.50 this year. We trust that through the use of the self denial boxes and the circulation of our message filled literature, every church will soon be able to sing the song of jubilee freedom from debt.

While Spiritualism is sweeping the country and influenza is raging it is a favorable time to sell "Epidemics" and "Spiritualism" Verses Christianity", both of which are 25 cent books.

Brother J. W. Christman has been assisting Brother Hoffman in his work of canvassing and delivering in the vicinity of Paulsboro.

Brother Andrew Hansen has been compelled by home conditions to temporarily retire from the canvassing field. Brother Hansen has been blessed of the Lord in

interesting many people in the truth for this time and we trust that the way will open soon for him to return to the work.

The Newark Institute

A Home Missionary Volunteer Institute was held for the societies in the northern half of Jersey in the Newark English Church, January 16-18. The Missionary Volunteer section was in the care of Prof. A. W. Werline from the Union and Brother L. D. Warren, the local conference secretary, and held separate meetings. This was quite well attended by our young people from the churches, but the attendance of the Young People's Society officers was not what could have been wished.

In the home missionary meetings Brother E. R. Numbers and Brother T. H. Barritt from the Union led out, ably assisted by the secretary of the local conference. The churches were well represented by their officers who had come in anxious for an answer to various perplexing problems. This gave all the discussions a very practical turn as we studied the plan of organization and its application to the field work.

The consensus of opinion was that an educational institute of this sort should be carried into the local churches. It is evident that however well the officers of the General Conference, Union Conference, and Local Conference, and their departments, may plan, these plans will largely fail of success unless the local leaders in the churches take them up and put them into active use. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, and at present this seems to be the weak link in our general organization.

It seems to us that it is vital that more attention should be paid to the training of the local officers of our churches so that they in turn can enlist the active cooperation of our entire membership, thus increasing our efficiency one hundred fold. If there is any one thing under the blessing of God that has been responsible for the marvelous growth of the public work, it has been the willingness in late years of the conference to pay out good money for the training of the leaders in public work by meetings, institutes, and conventions; and then carrying this same convention work into the ranks of the colporteurs. Our church officers serving with out pay, taking up the work without any preliminary training, and carrying it on usually with very little help, can not be expected to accomplish the work in the local churches that needs to be done. As we look back over the two institutes held at Camden and Newark, the consensus of opinion of the workers who led out and of the of-

ficers who attended is that through their educational influence they will be productive of much good in the years to come.

W. C. MOFFETT.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Indiana, Pa.

R. S. Lindsay, Pres. J. S. Neeley, Sec.

Elder Lindsay is holding a series of meetings at Indiana, Pa. A lively interest has been created there as a result of the camp meeting and the home missionary work.

The little church school at Indiana has been doing excellent work. A happy surprise came to the school when Bro. A. E. Holst, the educational secretary, appeared with a nice lot of supplies for the advanced-grades.

Brethren Butler and Manry report some very interesting meetings held by them on their two weeks trip among some of the northern churches. Our people realize that we are so close to the end that each one should be doing something to spread this message. Twelve places were visited and the Spirit of God blessed in the services. The home missionary work and the colporteur work are advancing rapidly.

The sale of books last year was over \$45,000. This was a gain of \$15,000 over the preceeding year. This makes one think of the literature falling like the leaves of autumn.

The news papers report that the "flu" is breaking out in many places this winter. With a book "Epidemics" that gives instruction to cure this dreadful disease on our shelves, can we stand guiltless before those about us, unless we try to place in their hands the means that will eradicate this terrible epidemic.

While Brethren Manry and Butler were at the Fernwood Academy the power house burned to the ground. For a time it seemed as though the girls dormitory would catch fire, but in answer to prayer the wind changed and kept the intense heat from the building. A new danger now confronted the school. considerable oil and gasoline was stored near the power house and the wind was carrying the flames over these barrels. Should a barrel of gasoline explode much damage would result and possibly many of the students be severely burned. It was decided to seek God for help. The wind calmed so that the flames leaped heavenward thus relieving the gasoline and oil

of the heat. God surely heard prayer. After prayer a consecration meeting followed in which all reconsecrated their lives to Jesus who is a present help in time of need.

CHESAPEAKE

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

A Good Report

The missionary efforts of the Baltimore No. 1 Church, composed of 231 member, the past year has resulted in placing thousands of magazines and papers in the homes of the people, and gathering a large amount of money for both home and foreign missions.

Two efforts were carried forward—one for the home work, and the other the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Two band lists were used.

On the home work an amount of \$2,885.85 was secured. This is \$12.49 per capita. With this money the church has been able to pay the remaining church debt and to provide for a church school with two teachers. Our magazines and papers were used according to the plan followed in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

The church members thought that it was doing well to set a goal of \$1,500.00 for Harvest Ingathering. However, final results showed that an amount of \$3,667.58 had been secured, making \$15.87 per capita, or 30 cents a member per week. One band secured \$566.22. Five bands made more than \$200.00 and fifteen bands made \$100.00 or more.

In these two campaigns a person that made as much as the individual goal set for each member by the church received a star on the band list. Any person that made as much as \$100.00 secured a crown.

Besides the regular band lists there were rolls of honor—one for the home missionary effort and one for the Harvest Ingathering. A person that made \$25.00 for home missions had his name placed on the roll of honor with one star, and a star was added for every extra \$25.00—a crown for \$100.00. This same plan was used in connection with the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Then, too, there was a double roll of honor. Every person that passed both rolls of honor had their name placed on the double roll of honor.

Eight persons secured crowns on the Harvest Ingathering band list, six on the home missionary effort. These also passed the honor rolls and their names were placed on the double roll of honor. In the two efforts, seventeen altogether received crowns on the double roll of honor,

which means that they each made as much as \$100.00 or more.

The foreign missionary offerings of the church amounted to \$6,542.98 which is 54 cents a member per week on the twenty-five cents a week fund. The sum-total of offerings secured for home and foreign missions, was \$9,428.83 which is 78 cents a member per week.

The tithe of the church for the year was \$14,595.52 or \$63.31 per capita.

All offerings for the year amounted to \$25,793.66 or \$111.66 per capita.

A successful tent effort was held in the summer in connection with the activities of the church. Thousands of announcements were carried to the homes of the people announcing the evening services. Forty-two were added to the church for the year.

As a result of our people engaging in the work of carrying announcements and literature to the homes of the people, the names of interested persons have been secured from various parts of the city. Some have been convinced of the truth by reading our literature and have been baptized in the faith. A revival has come to the church. The spirit of harmony has prevailed. For all of these blessings, we are indeed thankful to God.

The church begins the new year with renewed courage. Both the home and foreign missionary efforts will be carried forward throughout the year 1920.

A. S. BOOTH.

Twenty-five Cent A Week Fund

For 1910

Church	Mem.	Amt. at 25c wk.	Amt. Rec'd	Average per mem.
Balto. No.1	231	3003.00	6542.98	54
Balto. No.2	42	546.00	894.95	40
Balto. No.3	202	2626.00	2745.60	26
Blythedale	32	416.00	647.27	39
Cambridge	17	221.00	542.94	61
Cheswold	14	182.00	171.00	23
Church Hill	4	52.00	62.30	30
Dover No.1	9	117.00	240.83	51
Fords Store	25	325.00	407.46	31
Hagerstown	40	520.00	856.49	41
Martinsburg	14	182.00	388.66	53
Marydel	9	117.00	110.06	24
Millington	10	130.00	240.87	46
Pondsville	13	169.00	174.03	26
Rock Hall	64	832.00	952.32	29
Smithsburg	27	351.00	698.24	50
Whitleysburg	13	169.00	263.42	39
Wilmington 1	106	1378.00	2857.46	51
Wilmington 2	20	260.00	459.59	44
Salisbury	18	234.00	463.96	50
Dover No. 2	7	91.00	123.48	34
Individuals	9	117.00	303.49	65

926 12038.00 20147.40

Amount required 12038.00

Amount received 20147.40

Gain 8109.40

Average per week per member 42c.

Harvest Ingathering Report For 1910

Church	Mem	Amt. at 7.00	Amt. Rec'd
Balto. No. 1	231	1617.00	3667.58
Balto. No. 2	42	294.00	422.74
Balto. No. 3	202	1414.06	1108.96
Blythedale	32	224.00	231.46
Cambridge	17	119.00	382.23
Cheswold	14	98.00	30.80
Church Hill	4	28.00	13.75
Dover No. 1	9	63.00	158.63
Fords Store	25	175.00	177.06
Hagerstown	40	280.00	417.63
Martinsburg	14	98.00	200.34
Marydel	9	63.00	12.55
Millington	10	70.00	121.65
Pondsville	13	91.00	48.23
Rock Hall	64	448.00	226.16
Smithsburg	27	189.00	378.64
Whitleysburg	13	91.00	58.00
Wilmington 1	106	742.00	1475.00
Wilmington 2	20	140.00	169.66
Salisbury	18	126.00	306.75
Dover No. 2	7	49.00	61.50
Individuals	9	63.00	44.03
	926	6482.09	9713.75

Conference Goal 6250.00

Amount received 9713.75

Gain 3463.75

Amount received per capita \$10.49

General Conf. Goal for Ches.

Conf. at \$3.22 per mem. 2981.72

Received 9713.75

Gain 6732.03

News Notes

Brother V. O. Patches, secretary of the Foreign Department of North America, recently visited the Baltimore No. 1 Church. His statistics showing the great needs in the large cities of North America for this kind of work, and his appeal for workers among these people of various nationalities, went straight to our hearts and although the attendance was small, due to the inclemency of the weather, about 1200 magazines, assorted, were ordered.

Word was received yesterday of the death of Brother Nutter of Fords Store. He is the father of Edwin and Virbrook Nutter, both of whom are well known in the conference. Mrs. Nutter has also been quite ill for some. She is with her son in Takoma Park.

Elder Booth reports that the church in Martinsburg is quite active, under the leadership of Elder C. E. Andross, and with Mrs. Hilton as Bible worker. Plans have been under way for some time for the erection of a church building at that place, and while Elder Booth was there, a lot was definitely decided upon, and building operations will soon begin. Considerable of the work will be donated as we have brethren there who are carpenters.

The annual audit for the conference was held February 3. There was also a meeting of the Conference Committee at that time.

WEST VIRGINIA

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

Colporteurs' Institute

Our annual colporteurs' institute will be held in the new church at Charleston from March 22 to April 1. The church has kindly offered us the use of two rooms in the basement; one large, nicely finished, well lighted room, which will be used for a dining room, and one smaller one, which will serve very nicely for a kitchen. The arrangements in this respect will be the best we have ever had. We hope to make this the best and most profitable institute West Virginia has ever had. While through the blessing of God we have made a splendid record in our work during the past year, yet we do not want to make past records any gage for the future. The message to us from the spirit of prophecy is, "Organize our forces for a larger work."

During these ten days, thorough instruction will be given as to the best methods of doing evangelistic canvassing. Dr Brown will be present to give instruction along medical lines, and we expect several of the brethren from Washington, representing the publishing work, to be with us during a part of the time. Evening meetings will be conducted by Elder Westbrook and Brother Parrish.

We know there are many in West Virginia who should be engaged in this work, who are yet giving their talents to worldly enterprises. To all such we extend a personal invitation to attend this training school. All those who come for the purpose of receiving a training for service will be given free entertainment, and after selling and paying for \$150 worth of books, will have their carfare refunded. All those who feel called to this work, and desire to attend this institute; will please correspond with the writer at once, so arrangements can be made for your entertainment.

John McHenry,
Corner Third & Juliana Sts.,
Parkersburg, W. Va.

COLPORTEURS' REPORTS

NAME	Place	BOOK	HOURS	ORDERS	VALUE	HELPS	TOTAL	DEL
West Virginia, One Week Ending Jan. 23, 1920								
C.E. Will, Ohio Co.		OD	40	16	40 00	37 45	77 45	
N.S. Marriott, Tucker Co.		OD	34	51	141 00	13 00	154 00	
R. C. Bee, Calhoun Co.		OD	32		182 00	22 05	204 05	
H. Cunningham, Raleigh Co.		BR	26	32	162 00	3 00	165 00	
J. Fahrner, Greenbrier Co.		GC	23	6	28 50	12 10	40 60	194 55
W.A. McElphatrick, Hancock		OD	21	33	97 50	10 25	107 75	4 25
R. Livermore, Mingo Co.		OD	21	5	14 00	13 75	27 75	109 60
R. W. Oliver, McDowell Co.		BR	20					515 00
B. P. Wright, Raleigh Co.		BR	15	12	61 50	9 50	71 00	3 00
F. Bentz, Cabell Co.			5					12 50
F. Detwiler,		DR	131	15	351 80	15 60	367 40	
S. J. Monroe, Barbour Co.		BR	55	50	237 00	27 00	264 00	
Totals	12 Colporteurs		423	220	1315 00	163 70	1479 09	838 30
West Pennsylvania, Three Weeks Ending Jan. 30, 1920								
E. H. Grapp, State College		BR	86	59	306 00	4 00	310 00	173 25
G. Missbaugh, Butler Co.		DR	63	23	98 50	26 00	123 50	
G. Buttermore, Scott Dale		OD	82	32	100 50	13 48	113 98	200 75
Geo. McKnight, Rochester		OD	61	37	106 50	3 00	109 50	121 80
Mrs. H. Johnson, Braddock		OD	53	34	95 50	7 75	103 25	25 95
Abijah Dunn, Pittsburg		OD	15	5	10 00	8 50	18 50	11 30
John LeRoy, Wimer Co.		BR	129	33	166 50	11 50	178 00	160 32
John Morley, Renova			8					83 50
Archie Brownlee, Pittsburg		PPF	95	15	110 85	139 65	250 50	
A. E. King, Uniontown		OD	24	9	22 50		22 50	60
Harry G. Lee, Mifflin Co.		BR	40	6	31 50	15 25	46 75	
G. Rager, Westmoreland Co.		OD	10	10	25 00	2 00	27 00	2 00
Mrs. Millie Smith, Pittsburg		OD	4	4	10 00		10 00	8 35
Totals	13 Colporteurs		654	273	1109 85	138 63	1349 48	787 81
Ohio, Two Weeks Ending Jan. 30, 1920								
Roy Ertel, Meigs Co.		BR	68	36	172 00	19 00	191 00	108 50
C. Carter, Wood Co.		OD	63	34	179 00	7 00	186 00	3 00
Fred Hannah, Jefferson Co.		OD	93	32	83 00	13 50	96 50	2 50
M. B. Ingersoll, Coshocton		BR	66	19	99 00	18 75	117 75	11 25
G. A. Keppler, Hamilton		OD	33	25	65 50		65 50	
S. L. Stopher, Cleveland		BR	91	46	198 50	62 50	261 00	
O. E. Taylor, Athens Co.		OD	69	36	110 00		110 00	127 74
W. E. Wagner, Middleport		BR	52	14	70 50	4 00	74 50	19 50
Mrs. C. H. Wolcott, Toledo		OD	37	22	58 50		58 50	83 50
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Lima		OD	16	2	5 00	9 00	14 00	25 00
Totals	10 Colporteurs		588	166	1041 00	133 75	1174 75	380 99
East Pennsylvania, Two Week Ending Jan. 30, 1920								
Wm. Achenbach, Berks Co.		BR	98	17	87 00	12 50	99 50	35 00
L. Adams, Cumberland Co.		BR	10	8	40 50		40 50	
Benjamin Bell, Philadelphia		GC	56	29	133 50		133 50	
S. Diehl, Northumberland		OD	47	7	17 50	5 00	22 50	63 00
S. L. Gearhart, Lancaster Co.		BR	54	21	114 00	75	173 25	106 00
D. L. Leshner, Cumberland Co.		BR	13	9	46 50		46 50	
H. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.		BR	80	46	143 00	13 90	156 90	206 55
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		OD	17	9	24 00	6 50	30 50	
J. G. Willett, Cumberland Co.		OD	20	15	54 00		54 00	
E. J. Kesselmeyer, Chester Co.		BR	6	2	9 00		9 00	
Wm. P. Hess, Berks Co.		BR	25	16	82 50	1 40	83 90	41 90
Totals	11 Colporteurs		426	179	851 50	40 05	891 55	452 45
New Jersey, One Week Ending Jan. 24, 1920								
M. L. Bringham, Trenton		DR	23	8	36 00	4 00	40 00	4 00
George Blinn, Burlington		HM	53	52	162 00	2 00	164 00	
Mr. & Mrs. Brownell, Camden		BR	50	52	241 50	10 50	252 00	36 50
G. S. Hoffman, Paulsboro		BR	77	19	82 50	8 25	90 75	110 25
W. F. Schmidt, Orange		OD	11	5	17 50		17 50	20 50
Fred Zimmerly, Bridgeton		DR	19	5	22 50	3 00	25 50	3 00
E. G. Wrigley, Paterson		OD	57	31	83 00	50	83 50	6 36
J. W. Jenssen, Paterson		BR	32	21		7 15	7 15	11 10
Totals	8 Colporteurs		300	172	645 00	35 40	680 40	191 71

Chesapeake, Two Week Ending Jan. 30, 1919

J. E. Jones, Cambridge Md.	BR	28	5	18 00	7 00	25 00	96 20
Wilford Swope, Wash. Co.	OD	19	20	51 50	11 17	62 67	8 97
Mrs. J. Vanzant, Annapolis Md.	OD	16					25 00
G. Ditzel, Baltimore	OD	24	50	137 00	1 25	138 25	
Mrs. H. Braschler, Catonsville		5					15 00
Ada B. Thomas, Wilmington	CK	18	9	18 00		18 00	8 00
Lillian Robinson, Baltimore	BF	43	47	98 00	3 75	101 75	31 75
Ed. Stevens, Baltimore	CK	12	8	21 00	5 29	26 29	
Arnold Stevens, Dover	OD	3					25 00
E. J. Heller, Annapolis, Md.	OD	4	4	10 00	4 50	14 50	6 50
Alfred Ellwanger, Viola Del.	OD	5					50 00
Mary Queen, Baltimore, Md.	BF	4	4	8 00		8 00	1 00
Totals	12 Colporteurs	181	147	361 50	32 96	394 46	267 42

Grand total	67 Colporteurs	Value	5962 19	Deliveries	2891 48
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News Notes

The Morgantown members are earnestly taking up the regular, systematic distribution of *Present Truth*. As they go from home to home and talk to the people about God's Word, they will gain a new, living experience with him, and men and women will be saved. Now is the time for all our people to work again with *Present Truth*.

The home missionary wall calendar will soon be ready. Besides the home missionary announcements for each month of the year, it will also give the time of sunset, Bible verses, and other important features. Price 25 cents. Get your order in early.

We are glad to see Sister Virginia Conley of Morgantown take up the work of selling the *Watchman Magazine*. There is a broad field and bright prospects for all who will begin this important work.

"The Time and Work," consisting of quotations from Mrs. E. G. White, is selling rapidly among our people who have seen it. Every Sabbath keeper should have one. The price is 5 cents.

Canvasses on any of the small 25 cent books will be sent to those who expect to sell books.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

812 Washington Loan & Trust Bldg.

E. Harter, Pres. E. L. Workman, Sec.

Elder N. W. Philips of Memorial Church has opened an evangelistic campaign at Quantico, Va. The first meeting was held Sunday night and there was a very good attendance. There being already several interested people in this location causes us to believe that good results may be obtained through this effort.

Brother D. P. Corbett, one of our canvassers, has just returned from a book-mans' convention held at Richmond, Va. He reports an interesting and spiritual institute which has inspired him with renewed courage to speed on the fast closing message. Mr. Corbett has spent several years in the sale of our literature, placing hundreds of books in the country homes of Virginia and Maryland.

Elder R. E. Harter is conducting a very encouraging effort in the Grange Hall at Olney, Maryland. These meetings have been in progress since January 4. There is a lively interest and many of the people came a distance of several miles every night although the weather has been very cold and disagreeable. We are using *Present Truth* and the small books in connection with the effort and there is a good demand for this reading matter.

Shenandoah Valley

Academy

On January 19, a reception was given in honor of Mr. C. V. Woods, who till recently was manager of the school farm. After an interesting program, Mr. Woods was presented with a beautiful suit case. The following day he left for Florida.

Mr. C. E. Overstreet, who has been a loyal student of the Academy for the past three and one-half years has been chosen as farm manager. His many friends wish him success in his new work.

Elder J. A. Leland visited the school on January 14 and 15. He spoke during worship hour, and his advice and admonition were appreciated by all.

Elder R. D. Hottel spent Sabbath with the little company at Winchester

At this writing the school ground has the resemblance of a piece of glass, as it is covered with ice. Many are enjoying this opportunity for skating.

Miss Eva Boyd from Washington has been visiting at the home of Mr. Carson Neff and family.

Washington Missionary College

The climax to the Sligonian Campaign for subscriptions came Sunday evening, February 1, with a banquet. The "Moguls," under the leadership of Miss Alice Miller, were the victors. The "Winners" furnished the "eats." Fond memories of apple pie a la mode, cocoa, lemonade, sandwiches, and plenty of each, still linger. An interesting program was carried out and we felt amply repaid for the energies expended during the campaign. Prizes were awarded to the Misses Alice Miller, Julia Leland, and Martha Bloom for having secured the largest number of subscriptions.

The Foreign Mission Band has been divided into bands to study the following fields: South Africa, China, India, Japan, and the Moslem.

We were fortunate in having Professor C. S. Longacre occupy three successful chapel hours recently. He gave us some helpful spiritual instruction.

At the opening of the new semester several more students enrolled. This brings our enrollment up to almost 300. W. M. C. welcomes them into its midst.

The Ministerial Band, under the leadership of Mr. Joseph Shultz, is extending its activities into new fields. Several new openings have been made. We hope soon to give a report for the past semester.

Mount Vernon Academy

Professor A. W. Werline, who had been helping with the special Visitor spent some time visiting some of the classes and spoke in the chapel on Monday morning.

A large box of paper dishes recently arrived at the school. The dish-washers were glad to see them.

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Address all subscriptions and make all money orders payable to your tract society.

Everyone on the girls' side of the house and every member of the faculty received a dainty little invitation to the reception which the boys of the dormitory gave on the evening of February 1 in the chapel. The chapel was very prettily decorated and an entertaining program had been prepared. One of the unique features was an auction sale in which the boys were sold to the girls for the evening. The tall boys became short and the short ones tall under the sheets which hid them and even "Billy" from the laboratory was sold. The refreshments were especially enjoyed since everyone was too busy at supper time to eat. The visit to "no-woman's-land" gave the girls an opportunity to compare their good housekeeping with the boys'. The last number on the program was the taking of a picture of those who had enjoyed the pleasant evening.

Professor F. Brallier of the Madison Industrial School gave a lecture on "Lessons from Nature" to the students on Tuesday evening. We were glad to listen to more of the interesting things he had to tell in chapel on Wednesday morning.

A class of twenty-three seniors was organized last week. We wish them success in their work for the rest of the year.

Mr. Harold Hadley and the Misses Vindetta Newville and Deloris Dickey have returned to their homes.

We were glad to see Ralph Crawford and his mother come into the dining room while we were eating dinner on Wednesday. He was welcomed by a hearty applause.

Many of the students enjoyed a sleigh ride last week.

Preparation is being made to cut ice from Hiawatha Lake to store away for summer use.

Miss La Verne Sims enjoyed a short visit from her father last week.

We are glad that Miss Pearl Taylor has recovered from her recent illness.

At the present time the enrollment of the Academy is 189, which is the highest enrollment in the history of the school. Since most of these are living in the dormitories we are crowded so that some are "sleeping three deep," as they say. Thus we are made to realize that M. V. A. is growing and needs a new dormitory.

How to Cure the "Flu"

Influenza and "Flu" are on the increase. Chicago reports twelve hundred cases in a day. New York City reports three thousand cases, with many deaths. Many of your own neighbors are doubtless sick, and now is the time to let them know there is such a book as "Epidemics" which tells how to successfully combat these and other prevalent diseases.

Here is what one man who purchased a copy of "Epidemics" writes:

"After seeing a copy of your book 'Epidemics, How to Meet Them,' I think it is the finest book that can be put into a home on how to cure the diseases. What will you ask for these books by the hundred at wholesale price? I feel that a book like this should be put in every home.

"Trusting I may hear from you soon, I am, etc."

If the world appreciates this little volume on "Epidemics," surely our own people ought to. Your neighbors will be thankful for the instruction it contains and gladly pay you the small sum of 25 cents. Regular discount to you. Order of your tract society today.

"Christ cooperates with those who engage in medical missionary work."
 —"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VII., p. 51.

Advertisements

Approved advertisements will be published in the VISITOR at the rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words or less, and one cent for each additional word. A charge of twenty-five per cent of the cost, if not less than ten cents, will be made for each insertion after the first. Cash and reference must accompany copy on all advertisements.

POULTRY FARM

Would like to correspond immediately with a Seventh-Day Adventist brother with small family who understands the poultry business and wishes to locate near a Seventh-Day Adventist Church on a 20-acre farm at edge of village; 15 minutes' ride by automobile east of Gallon, Ohio. Please write not later than February 24 to present address. Mrs. Pearl Reed, 872 Wabash Ave., Detroit, Mich.

FOR SALE—Located within a few rods of the Indiana Church and Church School, a nine-acre farm with six-room frame house, barn, new granary and chicken house, and one-half acre planted in strawberries last spring. Good reason for selling. Address John McIntyre, R. D. 5, Indiana, Pa.

WANTED: Seventh-Day Adventist graduate nurse, hydrotherapeutist and expert masseuse, with executive ability, to take charge of floor in private sanitarium. Registered nurse preferred. Must be health reformer and have pleasing personality. Reference, etc. F. L. Hough, 214 South First Avenue, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

WANTED: A strict Seventh-Day Adventist lady, thirty-five or forty years of age, to keep house for a Seventh-Day Adventist widower. Address W. H. West, 1430 Euclid Ave., Zanesville, Ohio.

WANTED: By a Seventh-Day Adventist family, a single man or man with small family to work on a farm. Address Charles Stotler, R. D. 5, Hagerstown, Md.

WANTED: To buy or rent fifteen to fifty acres near a church and church school if possible. Address S. G. Allen, care of F. A. Draper, La Grange, Lorain Co., Ohio.

FOR SALE: 225 opera chairs in good condition. Here is your chance to seat that new church. For prices write C. F. Wilcox, 806 Twenty-third St., N. W., Canton, Ohio.