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To those assembled in the first quadrennial session of the Columbia Union Conference—Greeting:

It is by virtue of the third angel's message that we have met together; otherwise we probably would be scattered over the country engaged in various occupations, such as working in offices, mills, on farms, etc. I am certain that all who are here are grateful for the truth we believe as a people. This message calls for a full application of Romans 12:1, which says, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, wholly acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

We read that when God's people were together on the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was poured out in great measure. From that time the proclamation of the gospel was with mighty power.

The object in our coming to this meeting is to receive a blessing. We greatly desire that God will visit this gathering of his people, and give a fresh baptism of the Holy Spirit, which will mark an advance step and give an impetus to the work which it has not had.

In rendering this report, I might say that it briefly covers the time from its organization in 1907 until the present, but as I have been president of the Union only eight months, I shall not attempt to give details, but will briefly mention a few of the most important things.

Through the blessing of God, advancement has been made during these four years in every conference throughout the Union. The wonderful possibilities in giving the third angel's message have kept leaders and people fully occupied. Following are figures showing:

Union organized, 1907,

Membership 1907—5717.
Membership 3rd qr. 1919—10,886.
Increase—5,169.
Gifts to Missions 1907—\$14,439.26.
Gifts to Missions 1919—\$191,801.42.
Multiplied over 13 times.
Tithe per capita 1907—\$11.81.
Tithe per capita 1919—\$43.38.
Multiplied nearly four times.
Total Tithe 1907—\$71,621.01.
Total Tithe 1919—\$416,711.70.
Multiplied nearly six times.
Sabbath School Off. 1907—\$6,633.05.
Sabbath School Off. '19—\$90,451.83.
Multiplied almost 14 times.
13th Sab. Off. Sept. 1912—\$1,375.76.
13th Sab. Off. Dec. 1919—\$11,773.87.
Harvest Ingathering '19—\$64,717.42.
Book Sales 1908—\$44,839.22.
Book Sales 1919—\$351,255.21.

1919 Gains Over 1918

In Mission Funds—\$41,708.02.
In Sab. School Off.—\$24,381.47.
In Harvest Ingathering—\$23,169.33.
In Tithe—\$80,671.70.
In Book Sales—\$106,729.36.
Mission Goal 1920—\$263,406.00.
Book Sales Goal 1920—\$430,000.00.

As we look into the future, our courage is good. We do not forget that our Leader opened the Red Sea for his people, threw down the walls of Jericho, and brought deliverance to Israel. We have faith that he will not fail to lead the Israel of today.

Realizing the nearness of the end and the fearful issue which the world faces, it is certainly high time to proclaim the unvarnished truths of the Bible everywhere. Surely we need the Spirit of God to come upon us as it came upon Elijah. The world should be enlightened as to the sins of Babylon, the terrible result of a Union of Church and State, and the inroads of Spiritualism. It is only the third angel's message that will unmask these deceptions and stir the people to a realization of their duty. A certain class of people talk about a "set time" for God to work. Every believer in present truth knows that now is the "set time" for God to pour out his holy spirit and quickly finish his work.

F. H. ROBBINS.

Delegates Present At the Columbia Union Conference Session, Columbus, Ohio, March 4-14, 1920

General Delegates

A. G. Daniells, W. A. Spicer, W. W. Prescott, M. E. Kern, W. H. Green, H. H. Cobban, V. O. Panches, C. V. Leach.

Union Delegates

F. H. Robbins, C. C. Pulver, E. R. Numbers, H. F. Kirk, Dr. H. S. Brown, T. H. Barritt, E. R. Corder, F. E. Hankins, W. H. Heckman, R. S. Lindsay, D. A. Parsons, W. C. Moffett, R. E. Harter, J. A. Leland, T. B. Westbrook, C. L. Stone, D. W. Reavis, A. S. Booth.

Chesapeake Delegates

E. F. Collier, J. W. Siler, Miss Bessie Mount, M. S. Pettibone, C. E. Andross, C. Medlary, G. A. Stevens, H. M. Strachen.

District Delegates

Mrs. R. E. Harter, B. E. Connerly, C. A. Holt, B. F. Bryan, N. W. Phillips, W. H. George, E. L. Workman, G. P. Rodgers.

East Pennsylvania Delegates

Miss Bessie Acton, H. G. Gauker, C. E. Reichenbaugh, H. A. Weaver, J. H. Wierls, Charles Baierle, W. B. Mohr, J. W. McCord, J. S. Washburn, Mrs. D. A. Parsons, F. D. Gautereau, M. Longo, Mrs. H. G. Gauker.

New Jersey Delegates

J. G. Hanna, F. E. Gibson, Paul Matula, G. H. Clark, J. W. Chrisman, N. S. Ashton, L. D. Warren, C. S. Baum, E. J. Stipeck, G. W. Holman.

Ohio Delegates

W. W. Miller, B. F. Kneeland, C. E. Welch, F. H. Fairchilds, W. J. Venen, C. W. Weber, F. H. Henderson, J. J. Marietta, H. D. Holtom, J. I. Cassell, C. F. Ulrich, William Lewsadder, M. W. Shidler, O. S. Hershberger, Earl Hackman, J. H. Behrens, Dr. D. S. Teters, L. J. Barrowdale.

Virginia Delegates

Miss Eloise Williams, W. E. Bidwell, L. O. Gordon, H. A. Wright, W. H. Jones.

West Pennsylvania Delegates

J. P. Gaede, A. O. Lund, W. F. Schwartz, D. A. Reese, William Rob-

bins, J. S. Neely, T. M. Butler, E. A. Manry, A. N. Durrant.

West Virginia Delegates

U. D. Pickard, W. L. Adkins, C. L. Bauer, John McHenry.

Review and Herald Delegates

L. L. Caviness, J. W. Mace, W. B. Walters.

Wash. Missionary College Delegate

S. M. Butler.

Shenandoah Valley Academy Delegate

H. M. Forshee.

INVITED WORKERS

Chesapeake Workers

Mrs. Lida Hilton, Mrs. Madrid Henic, Miss A. Hohnsee, Miss Ruth Tripp, Miss Violet Jacobs, Mrs. A. S. Booth, Miss Anna Dewers.

East Pennsylvania Workers

Miss Anna Detwiler, Mrs. Mary Lester, Miss F. Kimmel, Miss F. Whaley.

District Workers

Mrs. Howard, Mrs. McDonald, Miss Erma Bauss, Miss Jeanette Morris, Mrs. Connerley, F. A. Harter.

New Jersey Workers

W. A. Nelson, G. F. Theiss, Anna Cately, Flora Briggs, Ethel Carroll, T. T. Babienco.

Ohio Workers

Miss Carrie Askey, Miss Fannie Emmel, P. A. Franks, R. E. French, Miss Cora Gibson, Miss Helen Grenke, Miss H. Howell, Miss G. Hixon, A. Hajnal, Miss M. Meek, Miss Elizabeth Morris, Miss A. Smith, Miss I. Walters, G. Polinkas, G. C. Quillin, J. E. Cox, E. Searles, Lela Whitlaw, Miss Maud Belmont, Mrs. J. H. Behrens, Joseph Shellhaas.

Virginia Workers

E. H. Dye, Mrs. J. B. Myers, W. H. Armstrong, R. D. Hottell.

West Pennsylvania Workers

R. M. Spencer, A. E. Holst, G. W. Lawrence, Mrs. Markham, Sophy Goss, Myrtle Bateman, Mrs. J. P. Anderson, M. Gauntlett, G. L. West, Adia Potter.

West Virginia Workers

H. B. Westcott, F. H. Parrish, Nell Mead, Jessie Welsh, Mrs. E. R. Corder, T. W. Thirwell.

Quadrennial Report Educational and Missionary Volunteer Work Columbia Union Conference

In looking over the records of the past four years of the Educational and Missionary Volunteer Departments, it is gratifying to see that substantial progress has been made. More and more our people are com-

ing to realize that saving the children and youth means saving the church, and conference committees on whom rests the responsibility of looking after the spiritual welfare of the conference constituency are securing the best trained workers possible to place at the head of these departments. There are no vacancies at present in any conference in the Columbia Union in either department.

In making a report it is always permissible to make a numerical comparison of results secured. For the purpose of brevity we will in this written report of the educational work mention only the results of 1916 and 1919, comparing the items showing the number of schools, the number of teachers, and the enrollment of pupils. In 1916 there were forty schools in the Columbia Union; in 1919 there were fifty-nine, a gain of nearly fifty per cent in four years. There were fifty teachers employed in the church schools in 1916; in 1919 there were sixty-eight, a gain of thirty-six per cent. In 1916 there were 842 children enrolled in the church schools; the latest reports for this Union show there are 1,141 enrolled at present, a gain in four years of over thirty-five per cent. Truly this is encouraging, and is indicative of a spirit of self-sacrifice on the part of parents to see their children get the proper education for a life of usefulness.

The work of the Harvest Ingathering in our church schools is of too recent origin to admit of any comparison. Suffice it to say that six reporting of our eight conferences in the Columbia Union showed that \$2,020.50 was secured through the church schools.

The prospects for the Missionary Volunteer work were never brighter than at present. In 1916 there were seventy societies with a membership of 842. In 1919 there were 116 societies with a membership of 1,141. Only a casual glance at these figures is needed to convince anyone that progress has been made. The results of the last year were not due to any outburst of enthusiasm, but were the logical outcome of earnest efforts put forth in each intervening year.

The work in behalf of missions, both home and foreign, is deserving of special mention. In 1916 there was raised \$7,386.05; in 1919 the Missionary Volunteers turned into the mission treasury the amount of \$22,538.60. Surely the young people have caught the spirit of the hour, and are showing a willingness to do their

best to further the work of God in the earth.

Our young people's leaders need to be taught the best ways of solving their problems, and so noteworthy is the work the societies are accomplishing that the conferences are more and more coming to realize the asset which is theirs in this army of youth. In two of our conferences, Leaders' Institutes have been held to further the work of the young people. The institutes are worthy of emphasis here. We expect more of them will be held during the coming years. We feel to look forward with hope to the future, fully expecting the work of the Missionary Volunteers of the Columbia Union will measure up to our anticipations.

A. W. WERLINE,
Ed. and M. V. Sec'y.

The Chesapeake Conference President's Report

To the Delegates and Friends of
the Columbia Union Conference,
Greetings:

The Chesapeake Conference was organized April 28, 1889, and at that time included Delaware and Maryland (except the three western counties) and the District of Columbia. Since then, changes have been made by the organization of the District of Columbia Conference, so that the territory of this conference today embraces the states of Delaware and Maryland, except the counties of Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Charles, Garrett, and Allegany, in Maryland; and includes the counties of Morgan, Berkley and Jefferson in West Virginia.

The Lord has blessed the work from the first, but we believe more especially during the last quadrennial period. Confidence and harmony have prevailed. Our faithful workers and people have cooperated together and by the blessing of the Lord much good has been accomplished. While God has abundantly blessed the work, yet Satan has battled every step of the way. However, in the words of another, we can truly say, "The early history of this cause was a day of small things and the means employed seemed insufficient for the work. But the men and women of faith have known from the beginning that the strong arm of the Lord was enlisted in this work. They have known that the time set to favor Zion had come, and the Lord had set his hand to gather his people. They saw that the Lord was at the helm and that the gospel ship was freighted with the

remnant church, and her cargo of restored truth, tried faith and perfect love, would come safely into harbor.

AREA AND POPULATION

Within our large area of territory with a population of one and a quarter million, we find still unworked territory. Realizing that we have an insufficient number of laborers, we have felt it our duty to share our resources with the world-wide work.

MEMBERSHIP

We have at the present time twenty-one organized churches, with a total membership of 1128.

WORKERS

At our last Columbia Union Conference session, Elder M. C. Kirkendall was president of the Chesapeake Conference. His faithful ministry and labors of love were much appreciated by all. For some time before coming to the conference and during his labors here, he was in very poor health; eventually, after a brief stay at the Washington Sanitarium, he died, in May, 1916. Elder J. O. Miller was called to the presidency of the conference and labored untiringly for the upbuilding of the work. Under his wise supervision great advancements were made. His health, too, failed and he was laid to rest in February, 1918. The counsel and help of these men of God have been greatly missed. Our heart-felt sympathy is extended to those left to mourn.

The writer, by the blessing of heaven, has endeavored to go forward with the work that those servants of God have laid down.

The laboring force of the conference is not sufficient to do the work we would be glad to see done. A number of changes and additions have been made. Elder J. H. Wierts, who has had charge of the German Church in Baltimore, accepted a call to take the German work in Philadelphia. His place has been filled by Elder L. O. Drews from the Lake Union Conference. Elder G. A. Stevens, coming from West Virginia Conference, first began work at Wilmington-Delaware, and at present has charge of the work at Dover, Delaware. Elder C. E. Andreas came to us from one of the California conferences; he is at present superintending the erection of a church building for the company at Martinsburg, West Virginia. Elder E. F. Collier came to our conference from Chicago and is located at Wilmington. Elder J. Rogers, who was in charge of the large colored church in Baltimore, accepted a call to take charge of the colored work in Washington. His place was filled by

Elder M. C. Strachan, who came to our field from the South Eastern Union. Brother J. W. Siler was secured from the Florida Conference to take charge of the field work.

COMPARATIVE REPORT FOR FOUR YEARS

A comparative report for the past four years shows the following: Membership for 1916, 582; for 1917, 700; for 1918, 782; and for 1919, 926; the present membership for 1920 is 1128. Baptisms in the year 1916, 141; in 1917, 70; in 1918, 70; and in 1919, 203. The tithe for the conference for 1916 was \$15,223.68; for 1917, \$22,660.35; in 1918, \$34,342.29; and in 1919, \$40,481.53. Our Harvest Ingathering receipts amounted to \$1,807.95 in 1916; \$2,597.29 in 1917; \$6,080.98 in 1918; and \$9,650.42 the past year. We received for missions in 1916, \$2,629.47; in 1917, \$3,447.69; in 1918, \$9,562.87; and in 1919 \$12,631.92. The total offerings on the twenty-cent-a-week fund in 1916 were \$6,656.13 or 20 cents a week for each member; in 1917, \$7,405.82 or 23 cents a week for each member. In 1918 our receipts on the twenty-five cents a week fund were \$15,407.58, or 38 cents a week, and in the past year our offerings have amounted to \$20,526.37 or 42 cents a week for each member.

EVANGELISTIC WORK

During the quadrennial period we have had 21 tent meetings and five hall efforts which resulted in the addition of 484 members, which have been added to our various churches.

Miss Bessie Mount came to the conference in June the past year and has done an excellent work. She has had charge of the Sabbath School, Young People's and Educational work.

SABBATH SCHOOL

The Sabbath school work has shown a pleasing growth during the past four years. At the beginning of 1916 there were 23 Sabbath schools in the conference, reporting a membership of 911; the last report of 1919 shows 25 Sabbath schools with 1209 members. Nearly one-half of these—561—are children and youth.

Sabbath school offerings for the four-year period were as follows:

1916—\$4,026.76, an average of 13 cents a week per capita.

1917—\$3,960.83, an average of 9 cents a week per capita.

1918—\$6,116.02, an average of 15 cents a week per capita.

1919—\$8,515.48, an average of 17 cents a week per capita.

Total for four years—\$22,619.09.

The increase in the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings has been greater, per-

haps, than any other feature. The first Thirteenth Sabbath Offering in 1916 amounted to \$142.79; the last one in 1919, \$1,076.12. This splendid offering places Chesapeake for the first time on the list of Dollar-Day Conferences for the Thirteenth Sabbath. The largest single offering ever taken in any one of our schools was received in the Wilmington No. 1 Sabbath School on last thirteenth Sabbath, when the sum of \$281.67—an average of \$2.65 for each church member—was given.

It is especially pleasing to note that, for the past two years, the goal of fifteen cents a week per church member has been reached in our Sabbath schools. For the fourth quarter of 1919 an average of nearly 22 cents a week per member was given, and we feel sure that we may depend upon the loyalty and earnestness of our members to rally to the new goal of 25 cents a week.

Many of our members are forming the habit of daily study of the Sabbath school lesson, and the interest manifested in other features of the work proves that the Sabbath school is bringing a greater blessing to our people than figures can indicate.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER

We look to our splendid band of more than 600 children and youth, as one of our greatest assets in finishing the work of the third angel's message in our conference. It is to be regretted that greater efforts have not been put forth to save and train for service this precious "heritage of the Lord"; however, we are glad for the beginning that has been made, and for the excellent response from the young people, in various lines of missionary work.

Missionary Volunteer Societies are being conducted in 12 of our churches. During the past four years the membership of these societies has increased from 127 to 337.

The goal for 1919, and results, will best show the progress of the work.

	Goal	Results
Young People		
Converted	24	35
Bible Year Cer...	15	19
Reading Course		
Certificates	24	25
Reporting		
Members	100	125
For Honan, China \$350.00		\$3,685.29
Of the amount raised for missions \$3,235.11 was secured in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. In addition to this, about \$800.00 was raised for home missions. Other lines of missionary work have not been neglected. Thousands of books, papers and		

magazines have been distributed and hundreds of letters written and missionary visits made.

A splendid interest is being shown in the educational and devotional features of the Missionary Volunteer work and we believe that these will prove an untold blessing to the young people.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

The work for our youth is being greatly enhanced by the efforts of our church schools. At present three church schools, and one home school are being conducted, employing in all seven teachers and having a total enrollment of 136 pupils. An active Junior Missionary Volunteer Society is carried on in connection with each school, and in the recent Harvest Ingathering Campaign nearly \$400.00 was collected by these societies.

For the present year seventeen of our young people are enrolled in one of our secondary schools, receiving a preparation for service in the Lord's work.

BOOKS

Our book sales have increased materially, especially since this department has had the attention of a field secretary. Brother J. W. Siler and his corps of workers have done excellent work.

Our book sales in 1916 amounted to \$11,608.61; in 1917, \$7,956.84; in 1918, \$23,724.58; and the past year \$32,337.70. The goal set for the year 1920 is \$45,000.00.

HOME MISSIONS

Brother M. S. Pettibone, our home missionary secretary, has labored untiringly to encourage our membership to a more systematic work along missionary lines. Most all of our twenty-one churches are now divided into bands. The benefit of this arrangement is seen in the good work done in the Harvest Ingathering and Home Missionary campaigns. The amount raised in 1919 on Harvest Ingathering for a membership of 926 was \$9,713.75. Other literature was used in the Home Missionary Campaign to secure means to relieve church debts, and support church schools, etc. The result of this effort in the churches for the year 1919 resulted in securing an amount of \$8,059.07. This is an amount of \$17,772.82 secured for Home and Foreign Missionary purposes or \$19.19 per capita. Our plan for this year is that all of our churches be divided into bands and that both the Harvest Ingathering and Home Missionary Campaigns be carried throughout the year.

CHURCH BUILDING

Thirteen of our twenty-one churches have church buildings. During the past four years the amount of \$15,000.00 has been expended on church buildings. All of our church buildings are paid for except four. An amount of \$2,500.00 will clear the indebtedness of these. We have two new church buildings in the process of construction and other buildings are being planned for.

CONCLUSION

We are of good courage in the Lord and feel to praise his name for what has been accomplished. While we have made a good degree of progress, we are forced to look back over the past with some regret that more has not been accomplished.

We desire as workers to be more faithful in our appointed work, and to do more than ever before in winning souls for the Master. As we enter upon a new period it is with the determination that through the help of the Lord we shall be able to attain to greater heights in the finishing of the work committed to us.

A. S. BOOTH.

Report of President of West Pennsylvania

To the delegates of the Columbia Union Conference,
Greeting:

Beloved brethren, under the blessing of God the word of the Lord has prospered during the past quadrennial period in the West Pennsylvania Conference, and I take pleasure in rendering the following brief report.

At the time of our last Union Conference session, four years ago, the membership of the West Pennsylvania Conference numbered 797; through the combined and faithful efforts of our laborers, the Lord has added to our numbers until at the present time our membership is 1243. We have in our conference thirty churches and companies and about two hundred isolated members. During the year 1919 there were about 125 persons won to the truth and added to our churches, while one new church and one new company have been raised up.

We feel thankful to be able to report that while in 1915 our tithe was \$16,640, our record in 1919 shows that our good people paid into the conference treasury \$47,823, or nearly three times the amount paid in at the time of our last Union Conference. Our increase in mission funds is also very encouraging, for while in 1915 we

raised \$6,812, last year our mission funds amounted to \$21,316. In 1915, our book sales amounted to \$18,000, while in 1919 our faithful colporteurs sold \$48,181 worth of our truth-filled literature. Surely the pages of the *Present Truth* are beginning to fall like the leaves of autumn. This is as it should be. Our missionary colporteurs have set the splendid goal of \$60,000 for the year 1920 and have faith to believe that this goal will be reached.

The Lord has blessed in a wonderful manner our Sabbath School Department. Our Sabbath school membership four years ago was 797, but in 1919 it had increased to 1,216, but 1918 our Sabbath school offering for the third quarter was \$711, as compared with \$1400 in 1919. We have now reached an average of 23 cents per week per capita, in our Sabbath school offerings. Our gifts to missions last year totaled \$21,316, being a gain of \$6,302 over those of the previous year. We gave last year to missions per capita 38 cents per week.

Progress was also made in Missionary Volunteer Department of our work. While at the time of our last Union Conference we had only two societies, with a membership of 110, we now have thirteen societies, with a membership of 222. We are happy to say that the Lord added to our churches thirty-five young people during the year 1919.

We have reason to feel encouraged at the progress being made in the Home Missionary Department of our work. During the past four years, our people have been awakened to the fact that the laity must arise and unite their efforts with ministers and Bible workers for the finishing of the work. Practically every church in our conference is thoroughly organized for missionary work and not only do we scatter the printed page by tens of thousands but are seeing many souls converted to God. One magazine worker was the means, in the hands of God, of winning six souls to the truth. One sister in Pittsburgh, who was active in giving Bible studies in the homes of the people, won to the truth four precious souls. Through missionary correspondence, two others accepted of the third angel's message.

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign in our conference was a great success. During this campaign, a poor widow was found who manifested an interest in the message of truth. This interest was developed and as a result, seven in the family embraced

the Sabbath of the Lord. West Pennsylvania, by the blessing of God, over-reached the Harvest Ingathering goal by several hundred dollars. In the campaign of 1918, we raised \$3,355. In 1919 we raised about \$7,000. Thus it will be seen that West Pennsylvania raised last year twice the amount of the previous year in the Harvest Ingathering work.

Since we last met in Union Conference session, a commodious brick church building has been erected in Pittsburg under the faithful labors of Elder Durrant, pastor of our colored church for the past seven years in that city. By the untiring efforts of Elder W. Robbins, the little church building in Johnstown has been remodeled into a neat and suitable house of worship, which rightly represents our work in that important city. Elder Lund, our Swedish minister, has purchased a lot in a suitable location at Mt. Jewett and plans to erect a church edifice for our Swedish congregation at that place in the near future. Elder Gaede, of Pittsburg, is hopeful of erecting a church for our German work in that great center in the near future, and gifts to the amount of about \$2,000 towards this project have already been received.

In our conference, which comprises all of Pennsylvania lying west of the easterly line of Potter, Clinton, Center, Mifflin, Huntingdon, and Fulton Counties, there is need of greater efforts being put forth for the salvation of the lost. We realize that in such cities as Pittsburg, Erie, Johnstown, Altoona, etc., there is need of strong evangelistic efforts being held. There are many large towns in our conference who have never heard the message of truth. Our hearts are longing to respond to the Macedonian call coming from these great centers of influence. We long to give to them the message of the soon coming Saviour. We are greatly in need of consecrated evangelists and workers to enter the open doors and sound the warning of the third angel.

We are planning to conduct special evangelistic efforts during this year in several of our large cities, and mean to strive to add to the churches in our conference three hundred souls before the close of 1920. We plan also to conduct at least six church schools in our conference the coming year, believing it to be high time that we put forth strenuous efforts to make possible the education of our children in our own schools. Altogether our faithful ministers, Bible workers, and other

laborers are taking hold of the work with renewed consecration, determined to triumph with the redeemed, who shall surround the great white throne in the Kingdom of God. The prospects, for the future work in West Pennsylvania are bright and we face the year 1920 fully expecting great things from the Lord.

R. S. LINDSAY.

Quadrennial Address of the Ohio S. D. A. Conference President

My report for the Ohio Conference for the quadrennial period ending December 31, 1919, will necessarily be rather brief, inasmuch as I was in this field only about a year of that time. Looking back, however, through the space of my personal connection with this conference, and upon the work of the three previous years, and viewing it as impartially as I may, my judgment pronounces the progress very good.

OUR FIELD

Personally, I believe that the Ohio Conference has the brightest future before it of any conference in the world. It has greater possibilities than any other conference with which I am acquainted. We have a vast population of about 6,000,000—the largest of any conference, with perhaps one exception. We have many cities, towns, and villages, where the third angel's message has never been preached. Then, too, there are many cities and towns where the message was presented 20 to 30 years ago, but the changing population practically makes them virgin territory. How to work these places with a living preacher is one of our greatest problems.

LITERATURE

The following comparative figures, indicating the volume of business done through the Tract Society office, will be of interest:

	Sub.	Period's	Total
1912	.... 7,954.99	8,043.95	20,379.16
1913	.... 20,486.90	7,202.26	33,097.46
1914	.... 24,141.20	10,743.99	42,023.77
1915	.... 23,528.55	8,346.03	38,854.90
Grand total quadrennial			
period, 1912-1915	.....	\$134,375.29	
	Sub.	Misc.	Per's Total
'16	30692.35	5167.47	8967.75 44827.57
'17	24470.65	6825.14	11796.66 46092.45
'18	32330.60	10282.74	12295.62 54908.96
'19	56113.83	11919.77	18241.76 86275.36
Grand total quadrennial			
period 1916-1919	.....	\$232,104.34	

Gain over last quadrennial period 97,729.05

You will observe there has been a steady increase during these years, with the exception of 1915, when there was a loss of over \$3,000 over the preceding year. Notice, however, the gain of last year over 1918—\$31,366.40.

These cold figures of dollars and cents, however, do not appeal to us. The really appealing and comforting thought is that this literature which has been placed in thousands of homes, represents the great truths for which we are giving our life's service. The true record, however, of the souls won, and the good accomplished during the years through the distribution of our literature is being kept in the books of heaven. It is encouraging to know that our colporteurs, who have worked so hard in scattering the Gospel seed, will doubtless see many souls in the kingdom as a reward for their faithfulness.

THE EVANGELICAL WORK

The comparative strength of our conference in churches and membership is as follows:

Number of churches, quadrennial period ending Dec. 31, 1915—62.

Membership—2,307.

Number of churches, quadrennial period ending Dec. 31, 1919—65.

Membership—2,850.

Gain in churches—3.

Gain in membership—543.

Last year we organized four churches, yet the past four years show a gain of only three. This is explained by the fact that several churches which existed in name only were dropped, the remaining members having joined other churches.

The net increase in membership during the four years was 543, while the number of baptisms was 769. When we take into consideration the number who were dropped from the church records because their whereabouts were unknown, those lost by removals, and others by death, it will be seen that we have made some gain.

At the close of the present quadrennial period our force of laborers is as follows:

Ordained ministers 17
Licensed ministers 8
Missionary licentiates 20
Other workers 3

Total 48

Total number of workers at the end of 1915 35

SABBATH SCHOOL WORK

Our Sabbath school work has made splendid progress, as the following figures will indicate:

Membership ending Dec. 31,	
1915	2,236
Membership ending Dec. 31,	
1919	2,910
Gain	664
Total Sabbath School offerings	
during 1912-1915	\$37,896.52
1916-1919	73,425.97
Gain	35,529.45

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

The work among the young people has been receiving special attention. The following statistics show a fine increase in membership:

1915	360
1919	506

FINANCIAL

The Good Book says that where our treasure is, there our hearts will be also. The amount of tithes and offerings of a conference is a good indication of its real interest in the message. You will, therefore, rejoice with us over the fact that the finances of this conference during the last quadrennial period made great advancement over the preceding four years. This will be clearly seen by the following tabulation:

Total amount of tithes,	
1912-1915	\$159,067.62
Total amount of tithes,	
1916-1919	312,548.24
Gain	154,480.62
Tithe per capita, 1915	19.73
Tithe per capita, 1919	35.62
Total amount to foreign mis-	
sions, 1912-1915	82,143.57
Total amount to foreign mis-	
sions, 1916-1919	156,461.30
Gain	74,317.73
Per capita, 1915 .....	.21
Per capita, 1919 .....	.35

We enter upon the new quadrennial period with courage and hope. Though our goal for missions has been raised to 50 cents a week per member—\$1,425 a week; \$5,700 a month; or \$74,100 for the year—we shall not groan with self-pity over the impossibility of reaching it. We are confident there are no "faint hearts" or "little faiths" among the Ohio constituency, but that all will put forth every effort possible for the speedy finishing of the work.

W. H. HECKMAN.

President's Report of East Pennsylvania

The forty churches and conference laborers in East Pennsylvania join in

expressing their gratitude to God for his many blessings of the past four years. He has in a wonderful way preserved life and restored health to the sick, strength to the weak, and given us victory over the enemy of the human race.

The quadrennial term that has just closed has been the most successful in all lines of labor. Our workers stand as one united whole. Their hearty cooperation with one another, their loyalty to every phase of the third angel's message and the spirit of prophecy, and their one great desire to see souls accept the truth, has been largely responsible for this success.

FINANCE

Our tithe during the past four years amounted to \$171,477.00. This represents about 100 per cent gain. The total sum sent to missions came to \$80,315.00. The literature sales for the first year totaled \$15,296.00; for the second year, \$39,608.00; for the third year, \$48,856.00; and for 1919, \$42,268.00. Until 1919, our strides forward in the sale of books were almost phenomenal, but it will be noticed that in 1919 we registered a loss of \$6,000.00. This is easily explained by the illness of Brother Reichenbaugh, who stands at the head of our book work. Brother Reichenbaugh passed through a serious operation at the very beginning of the spring, a siege of sickness that prevented him from taking any active part during the entire summer. We thank the Lord for his recovery, and it is refreshing to notice that the book sales for January exceeded the sales of any January in the history of our conference.

HARVEST INGATHERING

We wish to call attention to the Harvest Ingathering work. In 1916, we collected \$2,370.00 with the Ingathering papers. The following year the goal reached was \$4,309.00. The next year, \$7,849.00, but in 1919 the Lord helped us, through the wise leadership of Elder Gauker, our home missionary secretary, to reach \$11,040.00, which makes a grand total of \$25,571.00 brought into the blessed cause. East Pennsylvania believes in the Harvest Ingathering work, and it believes in foreign missions.

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPT.

The Sabbath School Department with Sister Acton as leader, has also shown a steady gain. In 1916 our Sabbath schools gave \$5,901.00. During the next twelve months they sent in \$6,360.00. In 1918 they reached \$10,228.00, and last year their gifts

amounted to \$12,475.00. This conference, its forty churches, and 47 Sabbath schools are unanimous in their hearty approval of Sister Acton's labors. She has also been faithful and untiring in her educational work. Four years ago we had only two church schools; now there are six, and it is a pleasure to report that this year the enrollment is 60 per cent greater than last year.

EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS

We have left the most important sign of true success to be mentioned last. The true progress of a conference cannot be fully measured by dollars gathered, nor dollars saved, nor by the number of churches, nor the amount of books and literature sold. Although all of these matters have their proper place and bearing, the true and final test centers around the number of souls saved for the kingdom of heaven. Since our last Union session we have added 668 through baptism and profession of faith. Since the beginning of this year we have baptized 30, which brings our converts up to the grand total of 698 for the Union Conference term, a net gain of 515 and a total membership of 1800.

It is only just that we speak of Dr. Wilkinson's efforts in connection with this report. We call attention to the fact that in the year following his public work in Philadelphia, we baptized more than 100 souls in excess of any other year that preceded or followed. This increase is directly due to the Garrick Theater meeting.

OUR HOPE

Our hope for the future is bright. The workers of this field see eye to eye. They have but one ambition and one desire of the heart, and that ambition is to seek out and win to Christ and the third angel's message every honest soul in our conference. Strong efforts are being put forth to organize the churches into working bands to scatter, like the leaves of autumn, our books, magazines, tracts, and the **Present Truth** leaflets. Indeed, they are doing this at the present moment. We tremble at the task before us when we think of the 500 villages, towns and great cities in our field that have never heard the voice of a Seventh-Day Adventist minister. The only way to reach and warn these millions is to draft into divine service every man, woman, and child that form our membership, and to this end we are now bending every energy.

D. A. PARSONS.

Progress in the West Virginia Conference

The West Virginia Conference is composed of fifty-two counties of West Virginia, and two counties in the west panhandle of Maryland, giving us a population of 1,221,119, and an area of 24,170 square miles. The conference was organized thirty-two years ago, but in spite of its mature age still numbers less than four hundred members. We have twelve organized churches in the conference, and five companies. During the past year, we have erected a new church building in Charleston, one at Rio and have one now under construction at Cumberland. We have also erected a new conference office in Parkersburg. Our growth in membership since 1916, after allowing for deaths, apostasies, and removals, shows a net gain of seventy-one. While our increase in membership has not been large, we feel that our increase in tithes, offerings and book sales has been excellent.

In 1916 our tithe was \$6,240.62, and in 1919, \$19,050.28, showing a net gain of \$12,808.66. In 1916 our missions offerings were \$551.13, and in 1919, \$592.59, showing a gain of \$41.46. In 1916 our Sabbath school offerings were \$1,153.48, and in 1919, \$4,424.91, showing a gain of \$3,271.43. In 1916 our Harvest Ingathering was \$1,037.52 and in 1919, \$2,201.09, showing a gain of \$1,163.57. In 1916 our book sales amounted to \$21,158.16, and in 1919, \$57,475.24, showing a gain of \$33,317.08. In 1916 the local funds amounted to \$370.64, and in 1919, \$4,293.71, showing a gain of \$3,923.07. The total amount of missions offering in 1916 were \$2,742.13, and in 1919, \$7,155.59, showing a gain of \$4,413.46. The total amount given in 1916 was \$8,315.87, and in 1919, \$28,361.49, showing a gain of \$20,045.62.

In looking over the counties in the state where we have Sabbath keepers living and where there are none, we find we still have the larger part of the state sitting in darkness, excepting for the work which has been done by our faithful colporteurs. If we divide the population of the state by the membership of our church, we find that we have one Sabbath keeper to every 3,602 people in the state.

We feel to thank God for the blessings of the past four years, and we surely desire to give him all the glory for what has been accomplished. Somehow we feel that if our lives had been more fully consecrated to his service, the results would have

been far greater, at least in membership, than what this report shows.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

Report for New Jersey

New Jersey is a cosmopolitan field. The 1910 census indicates that of the more than two and a half million population, one-half, or to be exact, 1,236,799, were foreign or the children of foreign-born.

Believing that divine providence has brought these people of strange tongues to our shores, we have launched out on a strong campaign to reach these people with the last message, believing that the Lord will back up every advance move. And we have not been disappointed.

Of the seven churches organized last year, one was Swedish, one Polish, one Czecho-Slovak, one English white, and three colored. In addition to the administrative force of eight, the conference is carrying ten English-speaking and ten foreign workers.

Following is the church membership by years:

	Membership	Net Gain
1916	1107	
1917	1192	85
1918	1270	78
1919	1411	141

TITHES

The tithe receipts have more than kept pace with the general growth of the work, as indicated below, doubling in three years.

	Tithes	Gain
1916	\$29,897.65	
1917	32,659.70	\$2,762.05
1918	43,526.60	10,866.90
1919	58,552.40	15,025.80

SABBATH SCHOOL OFFERINGS

The spirit of finishing the work in this generation—the generation that is gray-haired—is strikingly manifest in the Sabbath school offerings. The figures tell their own story.

	S. S. Offerings	Per Capita Gain Weekly
1916	\$5,029.13	.09
1917	5,830.91	\$801.78 .10
1918	7,307.25	1476.34 .11
1919	12,814.33	5507.08 .20 2-3

It will be noted that the Sabbath school offerings more than doubled in two years.

INGATHERING

The same enthusiastic spirit is shown in the Harvest Ingathering returns, which have formed the habit of doubling each year. The figures given below represent perspiration, as well as inspiration.

	Ingathering	Average Gain Per Cap.
1916	\$3,034.32	\$2.74
1917	3,108.71	\$ 74.39 2.81
1918	6,807.42	3698.71 6.15
1919	12,025.78	5218.36 10.09

Papers used in 1919, 62,592.

Average papers per member, 50.

MISSIONS OFFERINGS

By comparison with the accompanying figures on mission offerings it will be noted that the receipts from Harvest Ingathering in 1919 were considerably greater than all missions funds in 1917.

	Missions Offerings	Per Capita Gain Weekly
1916	\$9,832.95	.15
1917	10,806.37	\$ 973.42 .18
1918	16,438.44	5632.07 .28
1919	29,436.80	12998.36 .47½

The 1919 offerings average 47½c per member weekly, and exceed the combined offerings of the two, previous years.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

The work for our young people is advancing along the lines laid down by the General Conference Department. New Jersey lists 24 Senior and Junior M. V. Societies, with a membership of 348. Ten church schools are in operation, with 180 pupils attending, while 40 of our young people are in training in our colleges and sanitariums. The Missionary Volunteers gathered \$3,430.95 in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

CIRCULATION OF LITERATURE

One of the most effective agencies for reaching the masses is the placing of our message filled literature in the homes of the people. There was a time when men thought books could not be sold in New Jersey. That scarecrow was blown to pieces last year when our literature sales doubled the highest previous record. The figures presented herewith represent actual deliveries.

	Literature Sales	
1916	\$11,939.20	
1917	15,946.99	Gain \$4,007.79
1918	14,875.30	Loss 1,071.69
1919	30,146.41	Gain 15,271.11

DEBT RAISING

Following the Ingathering last year a church building debt raising campaign was launched, and \$4,000.00 has already been turned in through personal gifts, the use of a self-denial box, and a drive on the sale of the book, "Epidemics."

In Jersey City the head of a chain of grocery stores paid full price for seven hundred copies of "Epidemics" to be presented to each of his employees when the "flu" scare was on.

The campaign is steadily gaining

momentum throughout the field, and our slogan is, "Every church free from debt."

MEDICAL MISSIONARY

The medical missionary work has truly been called the right arm of the message. Of late years the right arm has been carried in a sling.

During the past seven months, a graduate nurse with ministerial experience has devoted his entire time to this line of work. Lectures and demonstrations have been given in our churches throughout the state. Following these lectures, lay members have given the treatments to neighbors successfully, patients recovering in some instances when given up by physicians. People who were prejudiced are now studying the message, verifying the statement of the spirit of prophecy that "health reform principles would form an entering wedge to the introduction of religious principles."

A regular course of instruction is now being given to classes in a group of city churches, the course covering several months; and our people are taking hold enthusiastically.

Our hearts are cheered by these manifest tokens that God is setting his hand to finish his work. Back of the figures making up this report, stand a band of faithful workers and a body of loyal people, who believe that Jesus is coming soon and rejoice to dedicate their all to the hastening of that glad day.

W. C. MOFFETT.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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

Perhaps You Feel the Same Way

A short time ago there appeared in the *Visitor* an article over my name entitled, "Gospel Ministry", in which I told how our faithful church members in Wilkes-Barre have raised \$2,000 toward the building of a church. In closing the article I mentioned the fact that we would be glad to receive any contributions from any source that would help us to raise the remaining \$4,000 necessary to complete the building.

Among other replies that I have received here is one that I wish to mention. The letter is from a certain city in Ohio and reads:

"Mr. H. A. Weaver,
Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find \$—

for your church building.

Yours truly,

One Who Would Like To
See The Same Spirit Here".

This was the only signature to the letter. I have no idea who sent it. The amount mentioned was enclosed and will be applied as requested.

I take this way of thanking the kindly disposed donor and at the same time desire to suggest to all who read this item that if you are in a place where you find no ready avenue on which to place your donations for church building enterprises, you will find your money well invested if you send it to Wilkes-Barre.

It is said that the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valley in the anthracite region of Eastern Pennsylvania is the richest valley in the world, due to the extensive deposits of "Black Diamonds." Wilkes-Barre is called the "Diamond City. In this valley of the mountains, within a distance of about 30 miles, including the cities of Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, there is a population of nearly a million.

Billions of tons of anthracite coal have been taken from these mines and many billions of tons yet remain untouched.

The first church building to be erected as a monument to the truth in this district is the one at Wilkes-Barre, a picture of which appeared in the *Visitor* referred to.

Speaking for the believers in this corner of the Lord's vineyard, I appeal to all who have means which they desire to spend in this cause, and who are not under obligation to assist the work where they are, to help us finish our church here. All contributions will be duly receipted by the treasurer of the building fund. Send to Box 77, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

H. A. Weaver, Dist. Superintendent.

News Notes

Brother and Sister Booth, who have been conducting a series of meetings in Greencastle, Pa., report a splendid interest manifested after the Sabbath question was presented. Their attendance one Sunday evening was about one hundred, which is quite large for the size of the effort. The collections were good and the prospects encouraging. Remember Brother and Sister Booth in your prayers.

The Sabbath School lesson leaflet for the second quarter is ready for mailing. All orders must be sent to the Tract Society office. The subject of the lesson is "The Ministry of Angels." A splendid book as a help on these lessons is "The Ministry of Angels," by Elder I. H. Evans, and can be secured from the Tract Society for 35 cents paper binding and 75 cents cloth.

Never in the history of Eastern Pennsylvania has there been a meeting of local church elders and missionary secretaries until this winter. February 28 and 29 there was held at Reading a meeting of these officers, and instructions along missionary lines with other splendid help was received by those present.

Brother Gauker and Sister Acton who were in charge of the services, was very much encouraged over the result. Everyone present expressed their appreciation of the blessings received.

On Friday evening Elder Longacre presented the subject of "Religious Liberty in America" Sabbath morning was devoted to the Sabbath school, and the services in the afternoon and on Sunday were devoted to instructions in methods of promoting missionary work.

The Missionary volunteer officers that were in attendance also enjoyed the services. Every church in the section was represented with the exception of one. The officers of this church could not be present on account of illness. The success of these meetings is an encouragement to the conference officers to plan for others in the future.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

812 Washington Loan & Trust Bldg.

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

Capitol Hill Church

Elder Spicer gave one of his fine talks on God's opening providences to a most appreciative audience in the Capitol Hill Church on Sabbath February 21. We believe it is the privilege of every one of us to know in our own lives God's special providences working for our salvation.

The Capitol Hill Church is a real working church. It is conducting six weekly cottage meetings all of which are well attended by those outside our faith. We know the effect of these studies are good for our own people who are making these efforts for their neighbors, and we are very hopeful for results from the outside attendance.

Five of the members of this church enjoyed a pleasant and profitable experience in distributing literature among the soldiers of Camp Humphries last week. We seldom find people more hungry for religious literature than we found there and their appreciation seemed genuine, many saying that it was the first time that anyone had offered them literature of this class.

An effort in house to house work in distributing literature is being made. Those who have taken part in this effort have returned with good reports. The plan that they have adopted is that of mak-

ing a little "bargain" package consisting of one *Signs of the Times*, two copies of the *Present Truth*, one tract *Second Coming of Christ*, one *The Simple Treatments of Colds*, and one on the much discussed subject *Spiritualism*. These are sold for ten cents, and the profit for the most part, turned back to the church for more literature. It sometimes helps to sell the package to tell that the profit is used in home missionary work.

Home Missionary Convention

The colored brethren of Washington, D. C. were both pleased and profited by a splendid program on home missionary work, which occupied the entire day after the Sabbath school hour. The two churches, Ephesus and the First Church had separate services in the morning, but the same program was given in each church.

"The Call to Service" was sounded in the Ephesus Church by Elder G. P. Rodgers, and in the First Church by Elder Seeney; "Responsibility of the Laity" was impressively placed before them by Brother E. R. Numbers in the Ephesus Church and Brother C. V. Leach in the First Church; "Our Literature" was discussed by Brother D. W. Reavis and B. E. Connerly in the respective churches; and "Bible Work Among the People" by Prof. Sorenson and Miss Janet Morris.

In the afternoon the two churches united for services in the First Church and a number of the members from the Capitol Hill Church were present. We find it difficult to describe the splendid spirit and the sounding calls which stirred the people, as one after another of the leading brethren briefly laid before them the great need of this hour.

Consecration to God and his work was the golden thread which ran through all the program and appealed so strongly to those who love God and his great message.

Elder Heckman of Ohio, in the Scripture lesson read slowly and impressively the parable of the talents. It was his own servants to whom the Master delivered his goods, to every man. Who then is excused from service if he is his Lord's servant? Elder Harter gave the "Call of the Hour" briefly. "This message is going to triumph," he said, "with you if you will be faithful; without you, if you falter and fall out by the way." No mountain of difficulty can hinder it, no depths of the enemy's devising can turn it aside. It must fill the whole earth, and God's call today is to every man, woman, and child to help finish the work.

Elder F. H. Robbins on "Consecration to Service" reminded us that the measure of our consecration should be accord-

ing to God's mercy. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice," for truly God but demands a "reasonable service."

Brother C. V. Leach inspired all by his earnest appeal "Arise and Do," provoking us to jealousy by some splendid chapters from his own experience in the colporteur work; and these followed by an enthusiastic discussion of "Our Soul Winning Literature" by Brother Mace with inspiring evidence of how our literature has won the souls of men wherever it has been scattered, left us all anxious to do our part in scattering it.

Prof. John made plain the advantages to our young people of securing a good education to help in carrying our message quickly to the world. The work will be finished when God's people are ready; and they are now getting ready according to the demand—"Every man, woman, and child a worker."

As Brother Numbers, who had charge of the program said, we were brought closer to heaven by two selections, "Shepherd of Israel," and "The King's Highway," sung respectively by a ladies' and gentlemen's quartets from Takoma Park. Good music has a large place in the last message, and we should not neglect to stir up that gift among the believers.

The question, Will we arise and work?, now rests with each individual. We truly expect good results from this day's meetings.

B. E. Connerly.

CHESAPEAKE

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

News Notes

Elder Stewart Kime, from the Washington Sanitarium spent Sabbath, March 6 with the First Church of Baltimore. His sermon was greatly appreciated.

Brother G. R. Apsley spent last Sabbath with the church at Marydel.

Brother E. M. Andross recently visited the church at Smithsburg.

Brother G. R. Apsley is conducting a hall at Turner's Station, but did not get back from Marydel in time to take the meeting Sunday afternoon. Elder L. O. Drew took his place. There is quite an interest in this little village and it is hoped that a company of Sabbath keepers may be developed there.

Elder F. C. Gilbert of South Lancaster, Mass., is conducting a few meetings at the Third Church of this city.

Elder F. C. Gilbert of South Lancaster, Mass. has been spending a few days in Baltimore visiting the churches. His discourses in both the First and the Third Church have been greatly appreciated. The First Church was practically filled both Sunday and Monday night. Six hundred forty-five of the *Yiddish Magazine* were ordered by various individuals in the First Church. Thirty-eight orders for the books, "Practical Lessons" were received and fifteen orders for the "Testimonies for the Church" were given at the last meeting he held on Tuesday afternoon. We are sure his visit has been profitable. He spent several days last week with the Third Church.

The majority of our workers attended the Union Conference being held in Columbus, Ohio.

Elder L. O. Drews is busy getting hold of the work with the Second Church here. Elder J. T. Boetcher was with this church last Sunday night. About thirteen of the members are leaving the city, and moving to Oregon. They will be greatly missed, as they have all been good workers, but our brethren and sisters who remain are not discouraged, on the contrary they are taking fresh courage on the arrival of their new pastor, and we look for great things to be done there.

VIRGINIA

12 W. Main St., Richmond

J. A. LELAND, Pres. W. H. JONES, Sec.

Nearly all of the Conference workers of Virginia attended the Union Conference meeting held in Columbus, Ohio.

Good reports are now coming in from our colporteurs in the field. On account of sickness and very bad weather many of our canvassers were delayed in getting started to work after the institute. Mrs. L. W. Kurz has been seriously ill, but we are glad to hear she is much better.

Chas. Williams of Newport News has recently started in the colporteur work. Brother Wright spent several days with him in getting started.

COLPORTEURS REPORTS

NAME	Place	BOOK	HOURS	ORDERS	VALUE	HELPS	TOTAL	DEL
Virginia, Two Week Ending Mar. 5 1920								
D. W. Percy, Bath Co.	BR		73		368 50		368 50	249 00
G.R. Pilate, Southampton Co.	BR		84	71	340 00	19 75	359 75	8 00
H. V. Roach, Green Co.	BR		128	61	298 50	3 50	302 00	153 00
D. L. Corbett, Clark Co.			18	20	111 50	5 50	117 00	5 50
J.P. Spaulding, Smyth Co.	BR		52	55	257 00		257 00	100 00
E.C. Tanksley, Greensville Co.	OD		39	23	106 50		106 50	
E. L. Williams, Halifax Co.	OD		59	58	176 50	4 75	181 25	149 00
W. G. Michael, Smyth Co.	BR		51	37	180 00	3 00	183 00	
Mr. & Mrs. Hafenmayer, Russell	BR				79 00	11 00	90 00	
G. W. Fox, Warwick Co.	BR		23	42	151 50		151 50	
Willie Butts, Dinwiddie Co.	OD		14	15	39 50		39 50	
L.W. Kurz, Norfolk	OD		10	8	25 00		25 00	10 00
Mrs. M. A. Neff, Richmond	WC				16 50		16 50	16 50
A. L. Gary, Prince Ann Co.			5					39 50
Total	15 Colporteurs		556	390	2151 00	23 19	2198 45	730 50

Ohio, Two Weeks Ending Mar. 5, 1920								
Mrs. C. Carter, Wood Co.	BR		26	9	43 50	1 00	44 50	33 50
C. Carter, Wood Co.	BR		67	25	145 00	10 50	156 00	339 00
E. Chamberlin, Akron	OD		35	51	114 00		114 00	
C. E. Chamberlin, Akron	OD		60	21	63 50		63 50	
Roy Ertel, Pomeroy	BR		40	20	100 50	2 25	102 75	191 60
W. E. Wagner, Pomeroy	BR		43	18	90 00	3 50	93 50	66 50
Fred Hannah, Jefferson Co.	OD		81	21	58 50	9 00	67 50	84 50
J. L. Holder, Medina Co.	US		25	9	22 50	85	23 35	60 00
M. B. Ingersoll, Coshocton	BR		63	21	58 50	14 50	73 00	157 25
G. W. James, Columbus	DR		78	25	189 00		189 00	4 50
J. Krupp, Columbus	BR		49	31	129 00	52 50	181 50	25 00
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Willard	OD		54	33	94 50	20 75	115 25	74 05
S. L. Stopher,	BR		70	26	93 00	107 00	200 00	40 00
O. E. Taylor, Athens	OD		59	27	72 00		72 00	213 00
Mrs. C. H. Wolcott, Toledo	OD		7	5	12 50		12 50	32 00
E. Baker,			9			5 75	5 75	
G. A. Keppler, Middletown	OD		6	5	12 50		12 05	
Totals	17 Colporteurs		772	347	1304 75	221 85	1526 60	1320 90

West Pennsylvania, One Week Ending Mar. 5, 1920								
Marie Stoker, Fayette Co.	BR		27	18	94 50	20 00	114 50	
Geo. McKnight, Beaver Co.	OD		30	25	71 50		71 50	34 50
G. Buttermore, Westmoreland	OD		40	23	66 50	1 25	67 75	70 45
R. C. Conable, Huntingdon	OD		30	18	45 00	19 00	64 00	2 50
G. Rager, Fayette Co.	BR		22	10	44 50	1 00	45 50	66 00
A. E. King,	OD		14		22 50		22 50	19 00
Mrs. A. Battersby, Penn Trop	OD		6	3	7 50	1 00	8 50	5 00
John LeRoy, Colver	BR		13					116 00
E. H. Grapp, Huntingdon	GC		59	18	84 00	2 00	86 00	485 75
Mrs. H. Johnson, N. Braddock	OD		28	27	73 50	8 75	82 25	62 75
Totals	10 Colporteurs		269	142	509 50	53 00	562 50	861 95

New Jersey, One Week Ending Feb. 28, 1920								
George Blinn, Burlington	HM		30	25	78 00		78 00	
Mr. & Mrs. Brownell, Camden	BR		36	50	242 00	5 75	247 75	17 75
E. G. Wrigley, Paterson	OD		30	13	38 50	50	39 00	
Fred Zimmerly, Woodbury	DR		40	25	114 00	2 25	116 25	8 28
Totals	5 Colporteurs		133	113	472 50	8 50	481 00	26 03

East Pennsylvania, Two Week Ending Mar. 5, 1920								
S. Diehl, Northumberland	OD		26	12	30 00	4 00	34 00	
J. L. Gearhart, Lancaster Co.	BR		30	11	59 00	1 75	60 75	
H. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.	BR		35	16	82 50	8 50	91 00	134 55
Harry Minier, York Co.	OD		32	11	30 50	2 76	33 26	17 25
L. G. Price, Northampton	OD		25	23	72 50		72 50	
Victor Price, Easton	BR		31	11	52 50		52 50	
J. G. Willett, Cumberland Co.	OD		20	7	31 00	2 75	33 75	39 50
Totals	7 Colporteurs		199	91	358 00	19 76	377 76	191 30

Brother E. Aplin, who has been canvassing in and around Richmond, has recently sold his farm and is moving to Washington, D. C. where he plans to continue his canvassing work.

Missionary Volunteer Notes

"EL MONITOR DE LA JUVENTUD"

This is the name of a young people's paper which is now being printed in South America. It is an eight-page paper, and will be published twice a month. We are sure this will prove a great blessing to our Spanish-speaking youth.

Have you seen the Missionary Volunteer post cards? One of the set contains Kipling's "If," another the poem, "Others," and all of the cards in the set have good quotations in poetry or prose. Seventeen cards in a set, price 10 cents. Order of your tract society.

For the benefit of our people who live in a territory where there are foreigners, there has been printed a special epidemic magazine in the following languages: Swedish, German, Bohemian, Finnish, French, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Roumanian, Slovakian, and Yiddish. Bulk rate, five or more copies to one address, 8 cents, sale price 15 cents. It is a wonderful opening wedge for the truth. Order through the Home Missionary Secretary.

The Missionary Volunteers of the Louisiana Conference nearly doubled their financial goal for 1919.

Junior, are you working for one of those beautiful pictures, "The Boy Christ," this year? You can obtain it by reading only five of the Junior Reading Courses.

And there is a gift for the little folks, too. Each one who finishes three Primary Reading Courses will receive a picture which all children love, "The Hope of the World."

Good temper is like a sunny day; it sheds its brightness upon everything.

Chesapeake, One Week Ending Mar. 5, 1920

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The Signs Magazine

Here is a partial list of the contents of the Signs Magazine for April. You may judge as to whether the Signs has lived up to its reputation of The Magazine with a Message.

There Is No Peace, by Kay M. Adams, a survey of the worlds unrest.

Are We the Supermen of Creation? by George McCready Price.

Is Man Three in One or One in Three? by Carlyle B. Haynes, a lucid explanation of the soul, spirit and body question.

The Protestant Reformation, by William G. Wirth, answering G. K. Chesterton's recent indictment that the Reformation is the cause of all our present day industrial, social, and spiritual ills.

Though They Be Red Like Crimson, by George B. Thompson, acquainting us with the heinousness of evil and answering the question "Is Sin Very Bad?"

The Spirits of Spiritism, by Raymond D. Brisbin, confessions on the part of noted spiritualists as to the source of their spiritistic messages and a logical presentation of the Bible's story of Satan and his helpers as the agents of spiritism.

A Lawless World, by Elmer L. Cardey, the scope and the reasons for the well-nigh universal crime wave.

"Get-Well-Easy" and "Get-Well-Quick," by George Thomason, M. D., the patent medicine sirens that are leading thousands farther into the bogs of disease.

The Mission Movement Is Moving, by E. L. Maxwell, a short story of the mission movement with Matthew 24: 14 as its local point.

The Silver Thaw, by Benjamin M. Grandy, a beautiful description of winter in the Pacific Northwest with application to Christ, the sin-stain remover.

Christ Is Risen (a poem) by Grace Adele Pierce, especially appropriate

for the Easter season.

The Cross of Christ (a poem) by Worthie Harris Holden, one of the very best of Mrs. Holden's poems.

The cover of the April magazine is in brilliant colors and pictures the answer of the guardian angel at the tomb on the resurrection morn, "Christ Is Risen."

This issue of the magazine contains nothing but message-filled articles of the first quality, and in quantity is quite enough for one month's digestion.

Shenandoah Valley Academy

The "Student Union" is very active in more than one way. The required standard is the motto for all.

Professor H. M. Forshee, Elder R. D. Hottel and Brother F. L. Hankins attended the conference in Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. John Whitehead of Arlington, Va. is visiting her daughter, Pearl, who is attending school at the Academy.

Band No. 6 gave an interesting program in chapel on Saturday night March 6. The silver collection will be used to help build up our library.

Mrs. R. D. Hottel, who has been confined to her home on account of "flu" is able to be out again.

Kathaleen Taylor returned to school after a few weeks absence.

Mr. Edward White has moved his family to New Market, while he is working on the new building.

Mark Shanko is finishing up his school work. He was compelled to leave last year.

Washington Missionary College

The afternoon of Sunday, March 7 was filled with expectancy. The boys were invited to the dining hall at 8 o'clock. They wondered what was taking place, and great was their surprise to find when they were ushered into the room that they were transported to the "Land of the Rising Sun". The room was furnished in Japanese style. The program consisted of scenes of Japan during "Cherry Week." One of the many interesting features was a visit to the home of Mr. Komoda ten years from now, by Misses Cassel and Stewart. After refreshments we sang the national anthem. We departed feeling that we had spent an enjoyable evening. Thanks to the girls of W. M. C.

Elder Gilbert spoke to us in chapel Thursday morning. He told us some of his experiences and why it is hard to work for the Jewish people.

Saturday evening the advanced rhetoric class spent an enjoyable evening in the dining hall.

Dr. Kress occupied two chapel periods last week, showing us the importance of the Bible and the "Testimonies."

An electrical demonstration was given by Mr. Transtrom to a crowded chapel. The experiments in high frequency were greatly enjoyed by all.

The students prayer meetings on Wednesday evenings are well attended.

Prof. Lacy spoke in the church Sabbath from Zeph. 3: 17, showing the matchless love of God.

The Testimony Study Band which started only a few weeks ago on Sabbath afternoon has grown so large that it is necessary to make two bands.

The canvassers band is growing and the students are looking forward with interest to the institute which will be March 15.

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Medical Missionary Work

"I wish to tell you that soon there will be no work done in ministerial lines but medical missionary work."
—General Conference Bulletin, 1901, p. 204.

"Medical missionary work is the right hand of the gospel. It is necessary to the advancement of the cause of God. As through it men and women are led to see the importance of right habits of living, the saving power of the truth will be made known. Every city is to be entered by workers trained to do medical missionary work. As the right hand of the third angel's message, God's methods of treating disease will open doors for the entrance of present truth. Health literature must be circulated in many lands."—"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VII., p. 59.

"If ever the Lord has spoken by me, he speaks when I say that the workers engaged in educational lines, in ministerial lines, and in medical missionary lines must stand as a unit." "Medical missionary work is yet in its infancy. The meaning of genuine medical missionary work is known by but few. Why? Because the Saviour's plan of work has not been followed."—Medical Evangelistic Library, No. 4, p. 7.

The noblest vengeance is to forgive.

A Sabbath School Help

One hundred and seventy-two pages of Elder I. H. Evans' book, "Ministry of Angels" are assigned as lesson text in the study of the next quarter's Sabbath-school lessons beginning April 3. A regular course of reading is provided in this book in connection with ten of the thirteen lessons during the quarter. This means that every adult member of the Sabbath school should have this book constantly at hand during the study of this interesting series of lessons about the Angels and their work. It will aid you in getting the most possible benefit from your study.

In cloth binding the price is only 75 cents; paper binding 35 cents. Your tract society can supply you.



Advertising Rates

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 for all advertisements.

WOULD LIKE to hear from someone who has or knows of a farm to rent or buy on easy terms. P. M. Atwood, 10 Benton Ave., Middletown, New York.

FARM FOR SALE—On the Washington-Richmond Highway, 51 miles south of Washington, 80 acres, 40 in cultivation and 40 in small timber; six room house, also four room bungalow; barn; potato house; other out buildings; and orchard. New church will be completed in few weeks. This is a good location for some one who will lead out in church work. Address J. E. Watts, Garrisonville, Va.

WANTED—Two men to work on farm. Men with families preferred. Also man and wife to take charge of small farm. Address A. E. Snider, Cumberland, Md. R. F. D. No. 2, Box 56a.

FOR SALE—Physio-Therapy Institute property, part of equipment, building of 20 rooms, established business since 1907, centrally located in city of 100,000, good opportunity for right part. For particulars address Physio-Therapy Institute, 131 West 18th St., Erie, Pa. Dr. R. Edwin Patton.

WANTED—Man to work on farm. Must be reliable, industrious, good with team, and understand farming. Could use one or two good clean, industrious boys who desire church-school privileges and have an ambition to make something of themselves. Would have poultry, dairy, trucking, teaming or farming to do. Reference required. C. T. Redfield, R. 4, Zanesville, Ohio.

POULTRY MAN WANTED

Wanted a man who understands taking care of 1,000 chickens. Steady work and good wages to the right man.

Address E. G. Fulton, Washington Sanitarium, Takoma Park, D. C.

WANTED—A big boy between 16 and 20 years of age, or a man past middle age, to help on dairy farm. Good home, with church privileges, to the right one. State age, experience, and wages wanted. A. R. Fitch, Bradford, Pa., Route 2.

WANTED—The New England Sanitarium is in need of well-trained domestic workers. Also has opportunities for young men, 18 years of age or more, for call boy service, elevator men, tray men, etc. Good wages. If interested, write for application blanks. Address New England Sanitarium, Melrose, Mass.