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"ONLY WAIT"

Mrs. R. B. Owen

Oft I hear a gentle whisper o'er me stealing
When my trials and my burdens seem too great,
Like the sweet-voiced bells of evening softly pealing;
It is saying to my spirit, "Only wait."

When I cannot understand my Father's leading,
And It seems to be but hard and cruel fate,
Still I hear that heavenly whisper ever pleading:
"God is faithful; God is working; only wait."

When the promise seems to linger, long delaying,
And I tremble lest perhaps it come too late,
Still I hear that sweet-voiced angel ever saying:
"Tho' it tarry, it is coming; only wait."

When I see the wicked prosper in their sinning,
And the righteous pressed by many a cruel strait,
I remember this is only the beginning,
And I whisper to my spirit, "Only wait."

Oh, how little soon will seem our hardest sorrow!
And how trifling is our present brief estate!
Could we see it in the light of heaven's to-morrow,
Oh, how easy would it be for us to wait!

I have chosen my eternal portion yonder,
I am pressing hard to reach yon heav'nly gates;
And though oft along the way I weep and wonder,
Still I hear that heavenly whisper, "Only wait."

Only wait; again I hear that gentle whisper,
Only wait, the time will not be very long;
Even now the Father's hand is leading onward,
Soon with Jesus we will sing the victor's song.

A Statement Regarding the Cowee Mountain School

In 1915 at Loma Linda, Cal., and again in 1917 at Minneapolis, Minn., the North American Division Committee in Council passed recommendations outlining plans for fostering and cooperating with the rural school work being done by our brethren in the South. These plans were the result of conferences and agreements with these rural school workers. The schools that have entered into these agreements are recognized as a part of our organized work, and are beneficiaries of the rural school offering made each year by our people in North America.

Provision has been made for the yearly inspection of these schools by the Educational Departments of the Union Conferences in the South and the active cooperation of the officials of our Northern and Southern conferences in securing properly qualified individuals and families to engage in this work.

The carrying out of these plans has brought a spirit of unity into our work in the South and a better understanding on the part of all our people in regard to the rural school work. The old plan of solicitation resulted in an unequal distribution of funds; for the schools having the most able solicitors were not always the ones which were in greatest need or most worthy.

If all those who desire to help in this work either financially or as workers, would first correspond with the presidents of our conferences in the South, many misunderstandings and difficulties would be avoided. These brethren are in hearty sympathy with the rural school work and with every proper effort to bring the truth to the people of the South; and they naturally have information that those not on the ground do not have. We invite those who desire to assist these schools financially to send their offerings through the regular channels or to the Treasurer of the General Conference, to be distributed in the regular way.

In the Review and Herald of July 4, 1918, the Educational Secretary of the General Conference set forth the facts that the Cowee Mountain School, located at Franklin, North Carolina, had persistently refused to join with the other rural schools in cooperation with our organized work. We are sorry that it ever becomes necessary to make such a statement,

but we do it only for the protection of our people and the good of the work.

The general and local conferences are now receiving so many questions and complaints about the Cowee Mountain School that it seems necessary to again reiterate the fact that this school, under the leadership of H. B. Allen, is no part of the organized work of Seventh-Day Adventists. Several who have been connected with the work there have requested that some public statement be made. The following is a signed statement by former workers in this school:

"We, the undersigned, left our homes and various places in the work in the North and West, and came to this place expecting to engage in the work of soul saving for the neglected mountaineers. After sacrificing much for this work, we find that a gross misrepresentation of conditions has been made.

"We find that the Cowee Mountain School is not a Seventh-Day Adventist school, and its managers and immediate sympathizers are not in harmony with the organized work.

"Realizing that we have been misguided and deceived in the alluring promises made to us, we, and others, have felt that we could not continue under existing conditions, and therefore have severed our connection with the school.

"Fearing that others will be influenced to come to the Cowee Mountain School, and knowing that they will certainly come to sorrow and disappointment and loss, we, the undersigned, feel that this statement should be made public, and a warning given in all our churches."

Mr. George I. Stevens,
Mrs. George I. Stevens,
Miss Allene L. White,
Frank A. White,
Mr. C. R. Hallifax,
Mrs. C. R. Hallifax,
Mrs. S. W. Brooks,
Mr. J. G. Burdick,
Mrs. J. G. Burdick,
Mr. Golt,
Mrs. Golt,
W. P. Warren,
Miss Anna M. Engen,
Mr. Hartmann C. Engen,
Mrs. Hartmann C. Engen.

It is due to our people that the above statement be published.

GEN. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

The Work Among the German People in North America

Very little has been said about the Germans in America of late. Some of our dear people may think that there is hardly anything being done. I thought it would be of interest to the readers of the Columbia Union Visitor to learn something about the work in this department.

Fifty-six employed workers are doing missionary work. These have reported 502 baptisms for 1919. We have 128 churches with a membership of 5507. The tithe paid amounted to \$211,878.20, the offerings amounted to \$111,000. One church with a membership of 102 paid \$15,000 tithe or \$155 per capita. The Lord is surely blessing this people. The subscription list of Christlicher Hausfreund, our missionary paper which is printed in Brookfield, Illinois, has passed the 10,000 mark. Our aim is 15,000 before the year closes. We also publish a quarterly magazine, The Signs of the Times. The January edition was 20,000 copies. Aside from these, we have a church paper called the Arbeiter. This is exclusively for our churches. It also contains Sabbath school lessons for the children and youth.

Our Theological Seminary here in Clinton, Mo., had the best enrollment in its history, 231. In connection with this school we have a fine Normal Department; about 50 children in attendance. The normal teachers are ready to go out into our churches to take up work.

Our workers in the large cities have congregations that exceed the seating capacity of their meeting places. What shall we do for those who come and wish to hear the truth preached to them? Shall we turn them away or shall we provide places of worship large enough for all who may come?

One man, a Catholic, had a wife who was a Sabbath keeper. She suffered much under his hand and at times prayed that God should take him away so that she could live a Christian life. One day it occurred to her: Why not pray for the life of my husband instead of his death—and so she did. He drank and did everything which follows in the path of a drunkard. She prayed for two years that God might take pity on him. One Sabbath in church the minister said that prayer should be offered for all the unconverted members

of the families. This sister knelt down and prayed for her husband. She felt that a blessing had been poured out upon her.

When she came home after the meeting, her husband met her. "I am converted," he said. He then took her by the hand and led her to a table into another room and, pointing to it, said: "Do you see this?" There were six pipes, two revolvers, jewelry, and a half pint of beer spread out. "This I have laid on God's altar." The woman could hardly believe her eyes. "Yes," he continued, "if the Lord helps me to go without crutches by next Sabbath, I will go to church and be baptized." The man was a cripple because of dissipation. Next Sabbath he could walk with a cane, and by the time of his baptism, after six weeks, without anything. He has been a well man ever since. This is what God does with this precious truth for those who are bound with the chains of sin.

We hope that our English-speaking people will do all they can for their German neighbors. If you have any names of persons to whom you wish literature to be sent, please send the name and address to Pacific Press Publishing Association, Brookfield, Illinois. We will furnish them with reading matter free of charge.

J. T. BOETTCHER,
Supt. of German Missions.

UNION

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

Home Missionary Convention

An instructive and animating Home Missionary Convention was held in the Memorial Church, Washington, D. C., March 26-28. Brother B. E. Connerly, the Home Missionary Secretary for the District of Columbia, had worked hard to make the meetings a success, and his earnest efforts were liberally rewarded.

The first night of the session, Elder C. V. Leach gave a stirring talk on "The Problem and Its Solution." Sabbath morning we were glad to have Elder R. D. Quinn with us. He clearly showed that in the days of Christ and the apostles the laymen of the church did a wonderful work in helping to carry the gospel to every creature under heaven (Col. 1:23), and that God will repeat that laymen's movement in this generation in fulfilling Matt. 24:14. Elder R. E.

Harter spoke on the purpose of the convention. The value of our literature in the work was presented by Prof. L. L. Caviness and Brethren D. W. Reavis and W. H. George. Prof. E. G. Salisbury made "Goals" an enlivening subject. "The evangelization of the world in this generation depends on the choosing of efficient leaders," said Elder H. K. Christman in his talk on "Leadership." The Doctors Kress set forth the importance of the medical work as the right arm of the message.

Elder P. E. Broderson and Brother V. O. Punches gave instructive talks on the need and great results of work for the foreign-speaking peoples in the United States. Brother E. R. Numbers acted as chairman in several of the meetings, besides taking part in the discussion of the different topics. Other workers present were Elders N. W. Phillips and McElhaney, Brethren B. E. Connerly, W. H. George and E. R. Corder. Brother John Mitchell gave excellent service in leading the congregational singing, and providing special music.

A fitting climax came to the meetings Sunday afternoon, following the talks on Bible work given by Sisters B. E. Connerly and Jeanette Morris. Definite plans were laid for the organization of a Bible workers' class in the Memorial Church. Sister Beekman will have charge of the class. We believe the convention will add strength to the church in a spiritual way and will enable the members to do more effective work from house to house.

E. R. NUMBERS,
E. R. CORDER.

CHESAPEAKE

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

News Notes

Already, orders are coming in for tents for the camp meeting. Be sure to be on time in ordering yours. It has been voted that camp meeting be held in June of this year. At this time officers will be elected for the next biennial term, and other important work will be done. The meeting will not only be one of interest, but of great importance, and it is hoped there will be the largest attendance we have ever had. We trust that many prayers will ascend to the throne of grace in the interim, that the Holy Spirit may be there to guide in all that is done.

Elder E. E. Andross of Washington, D. C., gave a very interesting stereopticon lecture in the First S. D. A. Church of Baltimore one Sunday night. His theme was Africa. We hope he will come again and tell us more of the things of interest in the fields he has visited.

Elder L. O. Drews and Elder C. E. Andross spent Sabbath with the church at Hagerstown.

Miss Anna C. Dewers, one of our Bible workers, and Mrs. Katie Crum, both of Hagerstown, called at the office recently.

Again the Wilmington Church leads the conference with Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. Their membership is 124, and their offering amounted to \$373.25. We are glad to see this splendid interest in the work in this church, and we trust the same interest will deepen in all the other churches. The Baltimore No. 1 Church stands second in amount, with \$235.06 and the Third Church of Baltimore is third with \$214.33, making a total for the thirteenth Sabbath from the three churches of \$822.64.

Brother Ernest Atkinson of Wilmington, Del., called at the office on his way to Nashville, Tenn., to attend the North American Negro Convention to be held in that city.

WEST VIRGINIA

1455 7th. St., Parkersburg W. Va.
T. B. Westbrook, Pres. C. L. Bauer, Secy.

Colporteur Work in West Virginia

The colporteur work in West Virginia is onward. Notwithstanding the record of \$62,000 worth of subscription books sold in this conference last year, we have made a gain of \$6,778.73 for the first quarter of this year. Our sales for the first quarter of 1919 were \$5,499.02. The sales for the first quarter of 1920 were \$12,277.75. For this wonderful progress we feel to praise our Heavenly Father. Excellent success has attended the efforts of Brother C. G. Mays in handling our health book, "Practical Guide," in McDowell County. In thirty-two days, or one hundred eighty-one hours, he has taken \$1,191 worth of orders, an average of \$34.12 per day, or \$6.53 per hour. His cash deposits amounted to \$111. The kind of territory that Brother Mays has

been working in is almost unlimited in West Virginia for this book. We will be glad to hear from others who are interested in handling "Practical Guide."

Many are the experiences coming in from the field which show how the mighty hand of God is working for his servants. In a letter from Brother S. J. Monroe while working in the country near Clarksburg he relates the following experience:

"This was my first delivery on foot and it was not long after I started that I found out that I was going to have quite a task for I was carrying about forty-five or fifty pounds of books. The load was telling on me as I was quite sick to start with, but I got along very well. I reached the place of delivery the first night that I had planned on, but on the second day I saw I was going to be far short of covering my territory, in fact it began to look like it would take me all of the next half day. I kept on traveling and praying for the Lord to help me.

"Finally, I came to a house where I was to deliver a book. In front of the house was a horse saddled and ready for a rider. The man of the house was just eating a lunch, as it was past dinner time. He invited me to sit down and rest a while. I told him I would be glad to, but I wanted to get as far as I possibly could for I was behind in my delivery. He insisted that I sit down and rest, and said, 'I will feed my horse and let you have it this evening.' I thanked him and asked if I might stay over night when I brought the horse back, and he said 'Sure!' After he fed the horse he said to me, 'You are just in time for we are going to have a wedding tonight. My daughter is going to be married.' I told him that I would go somewhere else and stay but he would have me stay with him. I took the horse and finished the delivery that I had planned for that day. On returning I enquired what he charged for this kindness, and he said, 'Nothing.' I thanked him and praised God for this blessing.

"At the wedding the preacher was the one who held a meeting to get his members and others to refuse my books on my last delivery, but it did him no good as I delivered every book. I had a talk with him, and he asked me what kind of work I was doing. When he left, he said he was glad to know that I was a man of God, and wished me God-speed in the work and asked me to visit him.

"The next morning I went on my

way rejoicing. I soon arrived at Westerville where I met a man in the store who had bought a book of me on my first delivery. I learned that he frequently met a man to whom I was to deliver a book, and he took the book for him and paid me. His kindness saved me about a six-mile walk. In the afternoon I came to a place where I had stayed over night on my last delivery. The people wanted me to stay all night with them again. I told them I could not, as I wanted to finish my delivery in that section that evening. 'Well,' said a young man, 'if you will stay all night with us, I will take the horses and help you make your delivery and let you ride my horse to the train in the morning.' I accepted his offer and he helped me finish my delivery.

"On my way to Gallaway a man and woman overtook me in a buggy. They invited me to put my load in the buggy and ride with them. I did and was glad as it helped me to finish my work in good time. I give the Lord all the praise for my good success, for I must admit that I was very sick and weak and was in need of a successful delivery to help me financially, being anxious also to get the books into the homes of the people. I have had many more experiences that have developed me spiritually and would be glad to tell them but time and space will not permit.

"S. J. MONROE."

The prospect for our work in West Virginia was never brighter than it is just now, yet in a little while it will not be so. We earnestly pray that many others will hear and obey the voice of the Master calling them to work in his vineyard. Will those who are interested please correspond with the writer?

J. H. McHENRY,
1455 Seventh St.,
Parkersburg, W. Va.

News Notes

Elder Westbrook spent several days in Takoma Park last week attending a session of the Union Committee.

Brother C. C. Pulver, our Union auditor, was in Parkersburg for a few days recently. On Sabbath he spoke in the Parkersburg Church.

Brother Thirlwell, who has been laboring in Charleston for some time, called at the office last week enroute to his new field of labor in Pennsylvania.

Miss Jessie Capes of Williamson, West Virginia, who has been nursing Mrs. Westbrook for over five weeks, has returned to her home. We are glad to report that Mrs. Westbrook is now able to be up in a chair and trust that she will be walking before many weeks go by.

Elder Westcott held an interesting Home Missionary Convention in Charleston recently.

Brother Lawrence, who has just come to our field, reports an excellent interest at Beckley. This is a section of our conference where there are no churches or Sabbath schools and we hope that a company of believers will be raised up here. Let us pray for Brother Lawrence.

Gail and Bethel Douglass, two little girls, who until recently lived near Brother Meredith at Berea, gave \$8 for Sabbath school offerings last quarter. They earned this money and are now planning on having a missionary garden and some missionary chickens this summer. The parents of these children are not in the truth. Have you decided to do something like this for Jesus?

Elder Westbrook conducted quarterly service in Huntington last Sabbath. He reports a fine meeting.

A Young People's Society was recently organized in Morgantown. Let the good work go on.

Mrs. John Meed, of Parkersburg, is at the Washington Sanitarium.

NEW JERSEY

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

The Trenton Church

During a recent Sabbath school session in the Intermediate Department of the Trenton Sabbath School quite a number of the younger members, of their own accord, asked the school to remember them in prayer. We are very grateful to see such manifestations of the Spirit of God upon the hearts of the children, and it is just another evidence that the Lord is preparing all of his people for the closing days of the message.

The second Sunday night meeting in the Trenton Church was most encouraging. The church was pretty well

New Jersey Fifty-Cent-a-Week Statement for Three Months Ending March 31, 1920

Church	Quota	Recd.	Short	Over	1919 Tithe	1920 Tithe	Short	Over
Annandale	76.05	17.00	59.05		26.97	46.40	19.43	
Asbury	52.65	13.07	39.58			48.85	48.85	
Bridgeton	386.10	85.52	300.58		386.52	497.27	110.75	
Burlington	286.65	177.32	109.33		282.60	381.88	99.28	
Burlington Pol.	76.05	28.22	47.83			316.97	316.97	
Camden	585.00	245.11	339.89		869.18	1507.10	637.92	
Camden No. 2	29.25	34.44		5.19		28.50	28.50	
Cape May C. H.	204.75	108.95	95.80		66.22	140.71		
Dover	87.75	7.19	80.56		224.11	180.18	43.93	
Elizabeth	122.85	77.50	45.35		227.82	386.23	157.41	
Franklin	181.35	60.98	120.37		113.98	213.31	99.33	
Jericho	228.15	66.48	161.67		259.07	349.43	90.42	
Jersey City No.1	514.80	63.73	451.07		557.65	679.27	121.62	
Jersey City No.2	333.45	165.99	167.46		414.03	685.19	271.16	
Jersey City No.3	76.05	19.08	56.97			96.68	96.68	
Jersey City Ger.	298.35	216.05	82.30		533.16	816.10	282.94	
Jer. City Swed.	163.80	89.68	74.12		271.99	842.22	570.23	
Montclair	76.05	99.56		23.51		566.58	566.58	
Morristown	76.05	186.08		110.03		265.73	265.73	
Newark Eng.	679.41	587.68	91.73		1377.93	1916.54	538.61	
Newark Bohem.	549.90	116.98	432.92		639.20	953.63	314.43	
Newark Colored	122.85	48.17	74.68		129.89	258.42	128.53	
Newark German	81.90	110.62		28.72	186.81	282.83	95.99	
Paterson Eng.	660.90	446.96	213.94		812.76	1312.56	499.80	
Paterson Ger.	175.50	111.69	63.81		278.12	347.83	69.71	
Paulsboro	70.20	11.07	59.13		22.40	42.75	20.35	
P. Amboy Dan.	81.90	89.31		7.41	44.25	141.82	97.57	
P. Amboy Slov.	81.90	11.69	70.21		40.73	207.49	166.76	
Plainfield	99.45	32.39	67.06		187.33	262.26	74.93	
Pleasantville	239.85	70.44	169.41		109.77	436.97	327.20	
Ramah	198.90	110.15	88.75		266.78	286.93	20.15	
Swedesboro	193.05	47.98	145.12		220.83	185.99		34.84
Trenton	772.20	517.82	254.38		1428.29	1954.66	526.37	
Vineland	269.10	114.93	154.12		295.43	631.24	335.81	
Woodbury	122.85	18.55	104.30		278.87	122.56		
Individuals		291.30		291.30	3715.57	596.07	3319.50	
Short on Missions	8255.01	4500.28	4220.89	466.16	14268.29	17788.21	3554.58	7074.50
Over on Tithe		3754.73		3754.73				
Over on Tithe	8255.01	8255.01	4220.89	4220.89	17788.21	17788.21	7074.50	7074.50

filled and at least 50 per cent present were those not of our faith. We are trusting that the interest will increase, and that a goodly number will sense the times in which we are living and see the beauty of the truth, thus surrendering their lives completely to its influence.

Elder Moffett conducted services at the Trenton Church, Sabbath, April 10, giving us a partial account of the Columbus meeting. Elder Nelson went to Burlington for the morning service and to Camden for the afternoon service.

Marriage

About forty friends assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mager of Trenton to witness the marriage of their daughter, Miss Laura Elizabeth Magar, and Mr. James Marion Cox, the ceremony being performed by Elder W. C. Moffett. The couple were attended by the bride's sister, Miss Alma Mager, and Mr. L. D. Warren. Mr. and Mrs. Cox were the recipients of many beautiful gifts, and begin life with the best wishes of their many friends. They will make their home with Mr. and Mrs. Mager for the present.

A study of our fifty-cent-a-week statement will reveal the fact that most of our churches are behind on their Mission Goal for the first quarter.

Of course you will not be satisfied until you see your church well past its quota. Then let us all work together and try to have a better report for the month of April.

If your mission pledge has not been paid, send it in to the conference and thus help your church to reach its quota. The call for help from the mission fields is greater today than at any time in the history of this world.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

4733 York Road, Philadelphia, Pa.
D. A. Parsons, Pres. W. B. Mohr, Sec.

Brother H. G. Lewis relates the following experiences while canvassing among the Polish near Wilkes Barre:-

"As I was returning home last Friday a woman came out of a house I was passing, crying frantically and seemed to be in great distress. I asked what the trouble was and if I could be of any assistance. In broken English she told me her child had fallen from the porch and struck its head. We took the child in the house and I applied the hot and cold water treatment

which brought immediate relief. About two hours later I called and found the father at home and I enquired about the child. I found it had slept and was now playing about. The parents expressed their appreciation for what I had done and were glad to place an order for a Polish 'Mystery Unfolding.'

"It makes me more determined to study how to give our simple treatments in cases of emergency, for it is a splendid entering wedge in giving the message."

OHIO

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N. S. Ashton Pres. H. D. Holthm Sec.

A Page from the "Ohio Colporteur's News"

Brother Hannah: "Well really, Brother Shidler, I have had so many grand experiences this week I hardly know which to tell. I am at Amsterdam, Friday 4:00 P.M. I stayed at a Mr. Moffett's last night. He took an "Our Day," of me last fall. After he read it he took two more, and last night he ordered three more. He also took seven *Marked Bible* and five *Neighborhood Transformer*. I sold two copies of "Our Day" and a "Christ Our Saviour" in an Austrian Catholic home. As I got off the train last evening a man met me who had purchased a book of me the first of the winter. He said he wouldn't take \$50.00 for his book if he couldn't get another. He said the book had taught him the true Sabbath. He then took a *Neighborhood Transformer* and a *Marked Bible*."

Brother James: "A minister was visiting at a place where I called last week. He was not long asking about my denomination, which I told frankly, and forgetting all else, I entered into the explanation of my book as I never had before. I brought out the change of the Sabbath by the Papacy, and talked about many points of our faith with my canvass. The minister nodded assent at every point. I explained how I used to be puzzled over the fact that Christians were keeping the first day of the week instead of the seventh for the Sabbath, and what satisfaction it gave me to know the truth concerning it. When I had finished both the minister and the lady ordered a book, and a neighbor who chanced to be in also ordered a copy. Upon seeing this lady later she seemed very reluctant to have me leave as she seemed convinced I had brought truths to her

attention that were vital to her salvation, and she wished for more. I assured her she would soon be one with us. She spoke as though she was convinced of the same thing."

Brother Ingersoll: "Finding it impossible to give a canvass at a certain home because of conditions, I left with a heavy heart for I was impressed there were honest souls there who should have this message. I took the matter to the Lord in prayer and he heard me. While at the next home, I saw a lady slowly proceeding toward the next place where I was to call, which she reached just ahead of me. It was the lady for whom I had prayed. As soon as she saw the book she said, 'I must have one of those, for I feel it is something I need.' Providentially, too she had just brought one dollar with her, the amount I am receiving in advance on my orders. Do you believe the Lord answers prayers?"

Brother Ertel reports one new Sabbath keeper, and Brother Stopher three.

Well, dear fellow worker, these experiences are wonderful, aren't they? There are many more I would like to give. Surely the harvest is ripe. Let us pray more earnestly that the Lord will send us more help to gather it in.

News Notes

Time Of Sunset

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6:46	6:18	7:18

Brethren Numbers, Corder, Punches and Cassel were in Toledo last week conducting a Home Missionary Convention. We hope to give a full report of the meeting in a later issue.

Brother Shellhaas has been conducting some meetings in Bowling Green the past few weeks. The recent severe storm in the western part of the state so damaged the hall that it was necessary to discontinue the meetings for a week. We know that even tho Satan has tried to hinder, the cause of truth will be advanced in that city because of the meeting.

"Work for some good, be it ever so lowly;

Work for some hope, be it ever so lowly;

Work! for all labour is noble and holy!"

VIRGINIA

12 W. Main St., Richmond

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

A Time to Speak

Truly hath the Wise Man said that there is "a time to speak." And this text was never so applicable as now, when Spiritism is spreading so rapidly among our friends and neighbors. Let the trumpet give no uncertain sound. Let us cry aloud and spare not.

Here in Richmond, I was told several weeks ago, on good authority, that an Ouija Board could not be bought at any price. The shops were completely sold out. It is no longer a parlor amusement for the idle rich. The working people carry them under their arms with them, even to their business, and "consult" them whenever they have a spare moment or two. Another remarkable instance of the popularity of the Ouija Board was told me by a friend who overheard a conversation between two colored men on Easter Sunday. The colored folks were coming from the Baptist Church. The younger of the two men was evidently a member of a committee which had not been conducting the church affairs just to the liking of the older one, and he was expressing his hearty disapproval. "En another thing I don't like," he added, "is dat y'all do what dat Wejum Board tells yer all de time."

Spiritism is surely taking the place of the voice of prophecy among the members of the popular churches as with Saul when "the Lord answered him not."

MRS. FRANCES HEADEN.
Richmond, Va.

CHESAPEAKE

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

Spring time has come again and with joy and enthusiasm the colporteurs are turning their faces toward the field, and we are pleased to say the prospects are encouraging for a progressive work the coming summer. Calls are coming in for the living preacher to hold efforts where our books have created interest.

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The Pacific Press Publishing Association just sends announcement of a new book now on the press entitled, "Present Day Conditions." This is written by Elder A. O. Tait, editor of the *Signs of the Times*, and is a clear presentation of what the Bible says about world conditions at the present time. "One of the things that came to my mind over and over," said Elder Tait, in referring to the preparation of the book, "was that wonderful utterance of Sister White instructing us to carry the Bible into the homes of the people, and urge its plain statements upon their hearts, and consciences."

So while the presentation quotes recent statements by world authorities to emphasize the trend of world thought, the positive statements of Scripture, to instruct, comfort, and hold forth hope for a suffering world, predominate all the way through.

It is attractively and impressively illustrated, with a live industrial scene for a cover, and published in Current Event Series, paper cover, at the price of 25 cents—50 per cent discount in quantities.

The chapter titles are—This Bewildered World; What Jesus Foretold of This Day; A Social Collapse; Christianity Broken Down?; Miraculous Delusions; Eternal Good Tidings; Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled."

The book will be off the press about April 25, and in the hands of the tract societies as soon after as freight can be received.

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An Article By William Jennings Bryan

"Where the Atheist and I Disagree" is the title of a masterly article by William Jennings Bryan to appear in the June *Signs Magazine*. The arguments set forth in this article by Mr. Bryan are absolutely unanswerable. A copy of this issue should be in every household in America. This is the first of the four vacation numbers of the *Signs*. Students and others can sell this issue by the thousands. Workers and tract society secretaries should place initial orders early.

"Idleness is costly without being a luxury. It is hard work for those who are not used to it, and dull work for those that are."

COLPORTEURS REPORTS

NAME	Place	BOOK	HOURS	ORDERS	VALUE	HELPS	TOTAL	DEL.
Ohio, One Weeks Ending April 9, 1920								
E. Chamberlin, Summit		CK	30	10	23 00		23 00	
G.E. Chamberlin, Summit		CK	16	7	20 50		20 50	
Roy Ertel, Meigs Co.		BR	55	23	111 00		111 00	15 50
Mrs. Chas. French, Galion		OD	8	7	17 50		17 50	33 50
Fred Hannah, Jefferson Co.		OD	25	3	7 50	6 65	14 15	9 15
G. W. James, Columbus		DR	46	45	255 00		255 00	
G. A. Keppler, Middletown		OD	19	8	20 00		20 00	56 95
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Willard		OD	27	12	37 50	15 10	52 60	14 75
S. L. Stopher, Cleveland		BR	36		93 00		93 00	
O. E. Taylor, Athens Co.		OD	50	36	103 50	16 00	119 50	
W. E. Wagner, Middleport		BR	34	19	106 50	2 00	108 50	22 00
C. H. Wolcott, Toledo		OD	17	11	27 50		27 50	
Totals	12 Colporteurs		363	181	822 50	39 75	862 25	118 35

West Virginia, Two Weeks Ending April 9 1920								
R. Livermore McDowell		OD	38	50	146 00	34 25	180 25	
W. T. Dishman McDowell		OD	40	47	143 00	28 25	171 25	40 00
B. P. Wright, Raleigh Co.			14					127 65
R. C. Bee, Lewis Co.		OD	34	4	10 00	6 90	16 90	269 77
N. S. Marriott, Grant Co.		OD	89	60	160 50			
C. E. Will, Brooke Co.		OD	40	21	55 50	20 25	7 75	40 00
F. Detwiler, Cabell Co.								52 00
S. J. Monroe, Harrison Co.		BR	51	45	207 00	14 00	221 00	153 50
I. Lawrence, Alleghany		BR	8		19 50	1 00	20 50	20 50
L. Crews, Kanawha Co.		OD	23	13	35 50	2 75	38 25	
C. Wood, Kanawha Co.		OD	24	16	49 00	1 00	50 00	1 00
F. Bentz, Cabell Co.			17					89 95
W. A. McElphatrick, Brooke		OD	20					188 00
C. G. Mays, McDowell Co.			16					204 50
J. Fahner, Fayette Co.								50 50
Totals	14 Colporteurs		414	257	828 50	109 40	777 40	1562 63

Chesapeake, One Week Ending April 9, 1920								
J. E. Jones, Dorchester, Md.		BR	22					214 00
W. Swope, Mionico Co.		OD	43	15	38 50	15 55	54 05	87 19
L. R. Babylon, Westminster		OD	8	2	5 00	1 50	6 50	1 50
J. Vanzant, Elkton, Md.		OD	11	5	12 50	3 00	15 50	2 75
F. Harter, Middletown		OD	16	13	32 50	1 25	33 75	1 25
R. Ellwanger, Middletown		OD	24	13	34 50	3 00	37 50	3 00
M. Marchant, Lutherville		OD	26	25	67 50		67 50	16 50
Mrs. Braschler, Mt. Wash.		OD	42	47	124 00	4 25	128 25	107 86
L. Robinson, Balt., Md.		BF	27	30	63 00	2 50	65 50	16 50
M. Queen, Balt., Md.		BF	6	14	35 00		35 00	6 00
E. Stevens, Wilmington		CK	39	15	31 50		31 50	7 35
C. Stevens, Wilmington		CK	32			17 35	17 35	17 35
A. B. Thomas, Wilm., Del.		CK	26	3	6 00		6 00	17 00
Totals	13 Colporteurs		322	182	450 00	48 40	498 40	498 25

East Pennsylvania, One Week Ending April 2, 1920								
S. Diehl, Northumberland		OD	17	7	19 00	9 00	28 00	
J. L. Gearhart, Lancaster		BR	18	6	28 50	1 25	29 75	
W. P. Hess, Chester Co.		BR	40	17	90 00	2 50	92 50	
H. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.		BR	32	19	97 50	31 90	129 40	59 15
H. M. Minier, York		OD	42	6	15 00	2 50	17 50	65 00
J. M. Reightler, Franklin		BR	46	22	105 00	10 00	115 00	
J. G. Willet, Cumberland		OD	32	13	58 00		58 00	
Totals	7 Colporteurs		227	90	413 00	57 15	470 15	124 15

New Jersey, One Week Ending April 9, 1920								
Esther Lull, Berlin			26			7 20	7 20	6 35
J. W. Janssen, Paterson		BR	8	3	13 50	5 08	18 58	4 48
N. R. Pond, Totowa Boro			13					26 75
W. F. Schmidt, Newark		OD	34	19	98 50	27 00	125 50	79 20
Totals	4 Colporteurs		81	22	112 00	39 28	151 28	116 78

Grand total	50 Colporteurs				Value 2759 48		Deliveries 2420 16	
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Washington Missionary College

All former M. V. A. students smiled the other day when Prof. Machlan said in chapel upon his return from Mount Vernon, "Quite a number of the students asked to be remembered to all the old Mount Vernon students." We were glad to hear of our old friends and to know that they remember us.

Elder Spicer talked in Ministerial Band on April 9. The reason why there were so many visitors was that we always like to hear him.

In the 8 o'clock meeting on April 9, we were favored with the presence of Elder Daniels. He told us some thrilling experiences illustrating how God cares for his people. He also spoke to the Sligo Church on Sabbath.

The boys continued their reception for the girls last Saturday night by taking them down the Sligo. The first ordeal was to cross the Sligo on a log and then games were played around the two fires that had been built to toast marshmallows.

The Testimony Study Group studied the value of true education last Sabbath under the leadership of Mr. Pound. We gain many lessons by studying the "Testimonies" on Sabbath afternoon.

Old canvassers were reminded of many experiences and new canvassers were shown things perhaps new to them when Mr. Kraft and Mr. Severns talked to us in Canvassers' Band last Sabbath.

The spring week of prayer was held April 12 to 17. Special time was given at chapel and the first day many earnest testimonies were given.

Miss Helen Cully is recovering from an operation at the Sanitarium. We hope she will be with us soon.

Mrs. McPherson from Newark, New Jersey, is visiting her daughter, Mildred, in South Hall.

Misses Elsie Albach and Tillie Mahlenbroch spent their Easter vacation with friends at W. M. C.

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To Contributors

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THE EDITOR.

Mount Vernon Academy

News Notes

Prof. Stone spent a few days in Takoma Park attending the Union Conference Committee meeting.

Of taking pictures there is no end. Still the photographer is busy getting pictures for the Senior Booklet. We are sure all the friends of M. V. A. will want one of these booklets.

Mrs. Clause of Cincinnati spent a few days visiting her son, Romain, who is one of our students.

Brother John Thomas from Western Pennsylvania has come to take the responsibility of the farm work this summer.

The Oratory Department rendered a very interesting program on Saturday night.

The Printing Department overflowed its borders to the extent that it was necessary to store its stock supplies in the laboratory.

Miss La Vergne Sims spent a few days at her home in Cincinnati last week.

We are glad to report that there are no more cases of the measles, and that the smallpox scare is over.

The Junior Class has increased its numbers to seventeen.

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.

STUDY AT HOME—“There, s away” Lincoln found it, so can you. The Fireside Correspondence School will show you how. Write today for our catalogue for 1920. C. C. Lewis, Principal, Fireside Correspondence School, Takoma Park, D. C.

FOR SALE—Fine building lots on paved road, three minutes walk from Mount Vernon Academy. Beautiful location for a home. Address W. K. Care of “Visitor”, Mount Vernon, O.

FOR SALE—Near the Mount Vernon Academy, one house of six rooms and one of four rooms, on an acre of land. Telephone 761 Blue or address J. E. Coleman, R. D. 1, Mount Vernon, Ohio.

WANTED — Experienced electricians and helpers on old house wiring. Must be Sabbath keepers and conscientious workers. Good wages will be paid. Clarke & Jones, 2508 Woodbrook Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

FOR RENT—Ten acres, house and barn to some reliable Seventh-Day Adventist who is anxious to have his children attend church school. For more information write to Mrs. A. R. Fitch, R. D. 2, Bradford, Pa.

A year's information in the Year Book. Now ready, 50c.

WANTED—A woman for general housework, good plain cook. Address Mrs. H. B. Miller, Edgewater Park, New Jersey.

WANTED—Home for a girl, ten years old, in Seventh-Day Adventist family. Is healthy, affectionate, and loves the care of little children. Prefer New Jersey. References. Write Francis Wheaton, Suffern, Rockland County, New York.

WANTED—Seventh-Day Adventist trained nurse and masseur of pleasing personality to care for arthritic case. Permanent position if satisfactory. F. L. Hough, 214 South First Avenue, Mount Vernon, New York.

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We have recently secured a quantity of first class, soft shell pecans. Meats are easily removed, sweet and tasty. Five-pound boxes by prepaid parcels post in Columbia Union, \$1.60. 25 pounds or more, not prepaid, 28 cents per pound. While they last.

S. D. A. Purchasing Bureau,
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The Washington Sanitarium and Hospital will soon open their new patients' dining room and other work. Write at once to E. G. Fulton, Washington Sanitarium, Takoma Park, D. C.

WANTED AT ONCE

Ten graduate nurses for private duty nursing at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital. Address Superintendent of Nurses, Takoma Park, D. C. care of Sanitarium.

“The spirit of liberality is the spirit of heaven. This spirit finds its highest manifestation in Christ's sacrifice on the cross. In our behalf, the Father gave his only begotten Son, and Christ, having given us all he had, then gave himself, that man might be saved. The principle here illustrated is to give, give.”