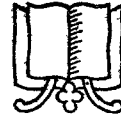


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The Fifth Biennial Session of the Columbia Union Conference Association

It will be pleasing to all our brethren throughout the Columbia Union Conference to learn that the fifth biennial session of the union will be held at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in the auditorium of the Carnegie Library, corner Lang and Hamilton Avenues, Monday, March 13, 1916.

Arrangements were previously made, looking forward to holding our Columbia Union Conference session at Baltimore, but at the last Columbia Union Conference committee meeting it was decided to take it to Pittsburgh. Elder F. H. Robbins, president of that conference, writes me that he has secured the auditorium of the Carnegie Library, as mentioned above, in which the meetings will be held.

The basis of the election of delegates to this meeting is as follows, as printed in the Columbia Union Conference Constitution:—

ARTICLE VI.

Section 2. The voters of this conference shall consist of the following duly accredited delegates.

(a) In addition to its president, one representative from each local conference for every one hundred and fifty church members therein, chosen by the vote of the conference or appointment of the Conference Committee.

(b) Such representatives from the mission fields as may be determined by the Executive Committee of the Union Conference in council with the members of the mission fields.

(c) Two representatives from each organized denominational institution lo-

cated in the territory, chosen by the managing boards of said institutions, in addition to the regular conference delegation.

(d) The officers of the Columbia Union Conference, and such others as may be granted delegates' credentials by vote of the Union Conference at any duly convened session.

(e) Such members of the General Conference Committee as may be present at any duly convened regular or special session of the conference.

There will be more definite notice sent a little later with reference to program, how to reach the place, what you should bring, and who are expected to attend. The question of those who should attend will be taken up definitely and in detail by each local conference committee and proper instructions in consequence upon those decisions will be sent out.

B. G. WILKINSON, *President Columbia Union Conference.*

Among the Conferences

Since my last note to the VISITOR I have met with the majority of the committees in the Columbia Union Conference in annual auditing of laborers' accounts.

I take great pleasure in telling the brethren throughout the Columbia Union field that the report of each conference displays splendid effort and earnest consecration on the part of the committee and laborers in each field. We first audited the accounts of the Ohio Conference, in which field the year showed an excellent progress. The Lord blessed greatly the liberalities of our brethren throughout that territory, so much so, that many precious souls have accepted the truth. The report for offerings to foreign missions showed a surplus of over three thousand dollars for the year 1915. While in Ohio we also met with the Academy

Board to arrange matters for the ensuing year. The spirit of the school is excellent and everyone feels confident for its future. The faculty is bending every effort to do excellent work for the pupils and it will be pleasing to our brethren to know that the finances again this year show the school to have run without any deficit. Thus the debt is wiped away and the financial management is good.

On our road to meet with the West Pennsylvania Committee, we took occasion to spend a day in the home of Brother Phillips. Brother Phillips, as you know, has recently come amongst us from being a minister of good standing in the Christian denomination. He has been located in the panhandle of West Virginia to work among the cities of Wheeling, Moundsville, etc. While he has just settled there to begin to take hold of our work and is practically alone in his field, yet the Lord is blessing him already with souls for his hire. Some have already stepped out to take hold of the truth. He is looking forward with pleasure and consecration to holding a big tent effort this coming summer. All of his family are with him in the truth and are pressing forward in their desire to learn it better and increase in boldness and ability to present it.

We feel grateful for the good showing that has been made this past year in the West Pennsylvania Conference. There has been a good increase along all lines. The conference is of good courage, in good financial condition, and the outlook for the future is splendid. We found the same true in the Chesapeake Conference, where 192 were baptized the past year, and the New Jersey Conference where we next went to audit the accounts. Brother Kirkendall entered the conference when it was practically denuded of all its laborers. Elder Baer had gone to South America; Brother Froom had been called to the Pacific Coast for editorial work; while Elders Martin and Taylor had gone

to take up work in the New Jersey Conference. As Chesapeake had been left some time without a president, finances as well as field work had felt the effect. But the Lord has greatly blessed the work of Elder Kirkendall and his associates so that the conference, in the midst of all these difficulties, has been able to do good work in bringing people into the truth and in making advancement in her financial condition. New Jersey also was greatly blessed this past year in bringing people into the truth. She had a good gain in tithes while she not only came up to her quota in mission funds but went about \$600.00 over.

I was sick at the time of the West Virginia auditing committee and was compelled to send Doctor Kress to meet with them in my place. However, as I have been in the conference recently and am in touch with it, I can give an excellent report for little West Virginia. This conference reports an increase in membership from 200 to 259 and a big surplus in foreign mission funds.

We have also closed the meeting with the District of Columbia auditing committee and I have just returned from a session with the Shenandoah Valley Academy Board in New Market, where, at the same time, we held a meeting of the Virginia Committee. We feel greatly encouraged over the excellent showing of both these conferences for the past year. Both the West Virginia and the District of Columbia Conference Committees are laying their plans for a great, aggressive work in 1916. The Virginia Conference is in splendid condition and we believe a good foundation has been laid for the greatest work that has yet been done in that field to be done the coming year. There was a splendid increase in the payment of tithe and we know that where the pocketbook is, there also is the heart. One brother down there came forward to pay back tithe to the amount of \$900.00; three others paid lump sums in tithes of \$400.00, while still another paid a lump sum of tithe amounting to \$300.00; so that the tithe in Virginia, being over \$5,000 last year, arose this year to being over \$8,000.

We feel satisfied that our brethren throughout the Columbia Union will be glad to hear these items of interest in the different fields. The work in the Columbia Union is just beginning. Never were the prospects brighter. There is a spirit of consecration and devotion everywhere on the part of all laborers to press the battle to the very gates, and we look forward to 1916 being the greatest year in our history.

B. G. WILKINSON.

"Happiness and success depend on knowing how to do something well, and doing it."

Educational Sermons in all Our Churches

At a recent meeting in which a number of the members of the Union Conference were present, a suggestion was made that to keep up the interest of our people in the educational work and Christian training of our children, our ministers should speak often on the subject of Christian Education.

It was further suggested that inasmuch as many of our ministers have not the time or facilities at hand to bring together suitable facts and statistics concerning the educational work, it might be well for the Union Educational Department to furnish them this data. This seems to me to be an excellent plan and if the thought suggested at this meeting should be carried out in all parts of the field there surely would be a general forward movement in the educational work.

It was further suggested that whenever a minister visited a church for a short series of meetings, he should devote at least one hour to the educational phase of the message. Already inquiries are coming in for such matter and in response to these inquiries several pages have been prepared, bringing together the principles set forth in the Testimonies and the Bible concerning our educational work. It is to be hoped that very soon in every conference the ministers will feel this important obligation resting upon them, and it will truly be a pleasure for this department of the union to answer promptly all calls for "ammunition" in this important warfare. C. L. STONE, *Secretary Columbia Union Conference.*

CHESAPEAKE

News Notes

Elder M. C. Kirkendall and Brother F. E. Hankins spent a few days in Wilmington, Delaware the past week.

The Hagerstown church greatly appreciated a visit from Brother I. D. Richardson of Takoma Park, D. C., Sabbath and Sunday of the past week.

We were very pleased to see Brother J. E. Jones, one of our colporteurs, at the conference office this week. He has not been to see us for a long time. He was on his way to his field of labor in Dorchester County.

The prospects for a good Colporteurs' Institute are very bright. Some of the brethren in the different parts of the field are replying to the calls that have been made, and already six have signified their

intentions of joining the ranks to help spread the pages of truth during the coming year. The Training School will begin March 5.

Miss Phoebe Ellwanger of Greensboro, recently appointed secretary of the Sabbath school, the Missionary Volunteer, and the Educational departments of the conference spent a few days at the office the past week, getting acquainted with her work. Her address is Greensboro, Md., and all interested in these various lines of work should address her there.

Our Home Missionary secretary, Brother F. E. Hankins is anxious to hear from all the churches concerning the work they are doing in soul winning. The General department has issued a beautiful new membership card, similar to that of the Young People's department, and costing two cents each containing a pledge to work faithfully for the Master the coming year, and to report the work done. We would be glad for all our societies to supply their members with these cards, and encourage Home Missionary work. This work will never be finished until the lay members do their part to help circulate the Third Angel's Message. Will not each member of our conference supply himself with tracts and other cheap literature and really be a light where you are? God's promise is that his word shall not return unto him void. Our business is to get the truth to the people and the Lord will take care of the rest.

OHIO

Cincinnati

It was my privilege to spend a few days in this important center recently. There is no need of speaking of the importance of this great city, for that is well known, but I am sure that the believers in Ohio feel deeply interested in the progress of the message in such centers within our state.

We have two churches organized in the city of Cincinnati, but we have no church buildings. Both the white and colored churches are compelled to hire halls, and hold meetings under circumstances that are rather unfavorable.

A few weeks ago, Elder J. H. Behrens and his wife arrived in Cincinnati to take charge of the work there, and their coming was very timely. Elder Behrens has had an extensive experience in the message and enters upon this important charge with commendable zeal. It has brought great courage to the church membership that broader plans are to be made and more extensive efforts made in that important city. No doubt a large

tent effort will be conducted by Brother Behrens with such help as may be given him during the coming summer.

A good work has been in progress, and many valuable additions have been made to the church along back. Brother and Sister Campbell have labored faithfully in this city for a long time, and the Lord has blessed their labors.

Elder Leslie Muntz has devoted his time faithfully to the interest of the colored work in the city. It was my privilege to meet with the colored church Sabbath morning, February 5, and it was pleasing to see such a nice, intelligent company of believers as was gathered there.

The brethren in Cincinnati ask for the prayers of our people that they may have the Lord's special blessing in their efforts to carry on a stronger work which they are planning for in the future.

E. K. SLADE.

The Finishing of the Work

The question of supreme importance to every loyal Seventh-day Adventist, today, is that of the finishing of the work. That time long looked for has now arrived. Ours is the privilege of not only witnessing this great task but of being actual partakers, first in the combat, and finally in the reward. Surely the appeal to each church member to now take his place in the battle, to keep step with all the ranks that are moving forward to victory, and to inform himself in regard to the world-wide operations now being carried forward, will find a ready response everywhere.

It has been interesting to note the way in which the great majority of people follow closely every move in the great war campaigns now convulsing the world. We scan the papers every day for each scrap of news that will throw light on the problems and give an idea of what progress is being made. But this is but for time, and for earthly sovereignty. Now there is a greater battle being fought, as much greater as eternity with its issues is greater than time! The struggle is as real, the battles as fierce and surcharged with as great interest, yet we give comparatively scant interest to the records of these conflicts.

The writer has been asked to spend a little time in this country visiting our churches and carrying to them in as vivid a manner as possible the stories of the great work that is now being done, and the magnitude of the task yet to be done before the work is finished. Our dear brethren and sisters have been loyally supporting this work for years. It is right that now some of us from the battle front should tarry at home long enough, while we are renewing our strength for

further conflicts and victories, to carry to the brethren and sisters in their churches the story of things as they are out in the mission fields. It is with reluctant feet that we tarry here, for our hearts are back at the battle front, and our restless spirits chafe under the delay of remaining longer in the home land, yet we know that it is your due that the story should be told you as it is.

To that end certain appointments have been made for the writer among the churches of Ohio. You will find the announcements on another page. I wish to assure the brethren and sisters of the pleasure with which I anticipate this visit among you, and to urge each one of you to try to attend every service that we shall hold in your vicinity.

It is planned that I should spend at least two nights with each church that I visit. Some of the churches will have a Sabbath service. But as the field is large and the churches are many, we must ask some of the brethren and sisters to come out to week-night meetings. I wanted to make this preliminary announcement as to the importance of each of these meetings so that none would stay away from the first, thinking the last one would be sufficient, and then feel sorry afterwards they did not see what we have to show them at first.

My plan is to give two stereopticon lectures, both will be very interesting and very important. In the first lecture I will try to take you with me to India, and let you see what the people of India are really like, viewing them in their villages, sharing in their joys and sorrows, and getting just a glimpse of their great search after God, the sincerity of which will touch every heart. I have actual photographs of the things you have heard about for years, and feel that in order for you to realize the need and magnitude of the task before us, you must be present at this meeting. Then in the second meeting we will take up the question of the status of women and children and their deplorable condition, and then take you for a personal visit around our mission stations in the Orient, showing you our schools, dispensaries, colporteurs, native ministers and Bibleworkers, churches and publishing houses. Telling the stories of those faithful men and women of other lands whose hearts God is touching, and who are doing valiant things for God. You have heard of the brother who spent all his money for literature and then wheeled it back to his people 300 miles in a wheelbarrow because he did not have money sufficient to pay his way on the train: or of that Korean sister who walked 200 miles to meeting, and then when money was given her to pay her way back on the train took it and bought literature with it, then walking back the way she

came so as to have something to give to the people whom she met on her long tramp to the meeting. There will be many such like incidents and we will show you on the screen the pictures of many of these brethren and sisters of yours, who have been won to Christ by your young people and through your gifts. The story of the gathering of more than 5000 Adventists in the Orient in so short a period, against such odds, and in the face of such difficulties will bring courage and joy to every heart. Therefore not one person should miss any of these meetings.

Cannot I then look for all your church members out to each meeting? During all my trips among the churches I have found those who regretted that through carelessness or thoughtlessness they forgot to attend the first of the lectures. But time is brief and they cannot be repeated. So let us have a full attendance from the first. I want to pass on a special invitation for the children and the young people to be present. It would cost thousands of dollars to cross the sea and visit these lands, and so we are bringing it right to your doors, with but little expense. They will all be interesting. I have more than 200 lantern slides many of which are the very best that can be obtained. Do not miss the opportunity of being informed of the progress of events at the battle front.

The words of our Saviour come home to us with greater meaning and force as the end draws on, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work." What we do, brethren, must be done quickly. The great dark night that will close human probation draws on apace. While the day lingers, let us throw all we have and are into the scale for the finishing of the work. GEO. F. ENOCH.

Important Appointments for Ohio

It has been arranged for Elder George F. Enoch to spend a few weeks in the interest of our educational institutions and our foreign mission work. Elder Enoch has spent many successful years in foreign fields, and he comes to us filled with zeal and with a most cheering and encouraging message. In all of the appointments given below, he will give most interesting stereopticon lectures. His views are the most attractive and fascinating of all that I have ever witnessed. His way of presenting them and describing the fields and conditions that they deal with is very interesting indeed.

It is his purpose and our desire that these meetings shall be a great awakening to us here in the homeland in the matter of furnishing means for the education of our young men and women for the finishing of the work in this generation.

I wish that it were possible for him to go to every church in Ohio, but owing to his other appointments, he can attend only such appointments as are given below.

Those churches that are favored by his visit are requested to make special efforts to provide all that is necessary to make his meetings a success. We believe that they would gladly welcome visitors from the nearby churches, and we take the liberty to extend to neighboring churches the invitation to attend Brother Enoch's lectures as far as possible. Those who have been present at any of his meetings feel that it would have been a great loss to them had they failed to attend.

It is my purpose to be with Brother Enoch at some of these appointments as other urgent calls and duties will permit me. Kindly preserve these dates and appointments, and plan as far as possible to make this attempt on Elder Enoch's part in our midst as successful as possible.

The places and dates of Elder Enoch's meetings in Ohio are as follows:—

Mt. Vernon	March 2, 3, 4.
Newark	" 5, 6.
Zanesville	" 7, 8.
Columbia	" 9, 10, 11.
Springfield	" 12, 13.
Dayton	" 14, 15.
Cincinnati	" 16, 17, 18.
Hamilton	" 19, 20.
Wilmington	" 21, 22.
Lake View	" 23, 24, 25.
Walnut Grove	" 28, 29.
Toledo	" 30, 31.
"	April 1.
Bowling Green	" 2, 3.
Findlay	" 4, 5.
Cleveland	" 6, 7, 8.
Cleveland German	" 9, 10.
Chagrin Falls	" 11, 12.
Akron	" 13, 14, 15.
Killbuck	" 15, 16.

May the prayers of God's people in Ohio ascend in behalf of our brother in this important series of meetings.

E. K. SLADE.

Religious Liberty Day

The attention of our church officers is called to the Religious Liberty Day which has been set for Sabbath, February 26. A good program is provided for this occasion and published in the February number of the *Church Officer's Gazette*.

The Religious Liberty Day of this year is to be of unusual importance, owing to the evidence that we see in our national and state governments and in society everywhere that we are soon to be in the midst of extremely trying times.

The collection to be taken on that day, which should be liberal, is to be used in

distributing some religious liberty literature among our government and state officials. We are behind on the fund at the present time, and have not been able to do nearly as much as should be done in this line. It is requested that our churches do not permit anything to set aside this important program and the offering to be taken on this day.

E. K. SLADE.

OHIO TITHE RECEIPTS JANUARY, 1916

Akron	\$249 74
Ashtabula	1 25
Alliance	
†Barnesville	
†Bellville	
†Bellfontaine	
Bowling Green	102 99
†Broughton	
†Bucyrus	13 48
Camden	30 60
Canaan	16 79
Canton	17 70
Chagrin Falls	11 85
Charloe	
Chillicothe	3 75
Cincinnati	129 11
Cincinnati (Colored)	
Cleveland (English)	312 85
Cleveland (German)	
Clyde	
Columbus	423 74
Conneaut	
Corsica	
Coshocton	13 90
Dayton	50 09
Defiance	
Delaware	20 16
Delta	
Derwent	
†Dowling	
†Dunkirk	
East Liverpool	50 60
Elyria	129 70
Elgin	30 32
Findlay	22 04
†Gilboa	
Hamler	
Hamilton	62 21
Hicksville	4 90
†Jackson	
Jefferson	21 00
Killbuck	30 65
LaGrange	43 70
†Lakeville	
Lake View	32 77
Liberty Center	11 94
Laura	2 13
Lima	12 30
Locust Point	
Leesburg	2 00
Mansfield	21 65
Marion	40 48
†Marshfield	
Medina	2 50
†Mendon	
Mount Vernon	532 77

Newark	34 27
Norwalk	60 11
New Philadelphia	
Nova	
Ohio City	
Piqua	6 95
Pleasant Hill	52 90
†Powell	
Ravenna	32 41
†Reedsville	
Rows	
†Sandusky	
Spencer	
Springfield	126 97
Springfield (Colored)	38 04
Toledo	103 51
Van Wert	
Walnut Grove	25 15
Washington C. H.	
Waterford	
†Wengerlawn	
†West Mansfield	15 00
Wheelersburg	
Wilmington	
Youngstown	70 58
Zanesville	47 30
Individuals	34 10

TOTAL \$3098 95
†Companies

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL SOURCES JANUARY, 1916

Tithe	\$3098 95
Tent Fund	16 75
Roumanian Bible Offering	
Worthy Students Fund	
Industrial Fund M. V. A.	
Appropriation	
Colored Work	
Educational	
Missions	371 01
Sabbath-school Donations	450 03
Weekly Offering	20 99
India	17 98
Emergency Fund	
Tent & Hall Collection	
Midsummer Offering	
Labor & Expense Refund	53 12
Orphan and Aged Fund	
Birthday Offering	
Harvest Ingathering	61 88
Talent Fund	
Annual Offering	56 62
Religious Liberty	
Donation Account	25
Talents Returned	

TOTAL \$4147 38
H. D. HOLTOM, - Treas.

NEW JERSEY

News Notes

We are glad to hear that Brother E. J. Wood has had another 100 per cent delivery, and is of good courage.

Fifty dollars worth of literature was sold at our general meeting in Paterson this past week, the largest amount received in any of the meetings that were held in the conference.

All enjoyed the special meetings. The first was held on Friday night in the German Lutheran church, followed by Sabbath school and a revival service on Sabbath morning. Elder A. R. Sandborn led out in this meeting, and the Lord certainly came very near. A Sabbath school convention was held during the afternoon. Miss Ella Iden was in charge. This was enjoyed by all, and we know that the Sabbath school in Paterson will be greatly benefited by the instruction given.

Sunday morning was devoted to the Young People's Missionary Volunteer work, and several interesting papers were read, and a goodly number took part in the discussions.

The afternoon was devoted to Home Missionary work. Brother T. H. Barritt was in charge. The special feature of this program was a demonstration showing how our literature can be sold and given away. All enjoyed this and many were enthused to do something in the Master's vineyard and thus have a part in hastening the glad day when Jesus shall come in all his glory.

We were specially favored in having Miss Hibben of Montclair with us, who is a trained nurse recently from the Hillsdale Sanitarium, and is now taking up work in this conference permanently as a medical evangelist. She demonstrated from the platform how to treat various diseases, also the use of fomentations, packs, and many other kinds of treatment. This demonstration was appreciated by all, and we are looking forward with pleasure at the prospect of such demonstrations being given in other churches of our conference. More will be said later concerning Miss Hibben's future work.

The meeting Sunday night will be long remembered by all. A large company of people came out to hear Elder Sandborn tell of the "World Wide Message." He commenced at creation and traced down through the ages to the present time, showing how wonderfully the message is going.

We greatly appreciated the help of Mr. Lawrence, also Miss Lawrence, Brother Bruce Martin, Sisters Horton and Kinier in furnishing the music.

Elder R. H. Martin is of good courage, and the work is onward in the great city of Paterson.

"The hope of reward sweetens labor."

OBITUARIES

EVERY.—William R. H. Avery was born in Clarendon N. Y. August 8, 1827 and died at his home in Wood County, Ohio near Bowling Green, January 20, 1916. Aged 88 years, 6 months and 12 days. He leaves one son and one daughter to mourn their loss.

Brother William Avery was most faithful and devoted to the cause of truth since he first accepted it under the preaching of Elder Holt in 1862. His membership was with the Lovet Grove church, afterwards called the Bowling Green church. For over 70 years he was a citizen of Wood County in the neighborhood where he fell asleep in Jesus. He had a bright hope of a part in the first resurrection. Funeral services were conducted by the writer. A very large audience was present showing great respect for the deceased.

E. J. VAN HORN.

Special

What is Worth While?

As for opportunities, we can make a heroic life out of whatever is set before us to work with or upon. Dr. Miller tells of a poor artist who was regally entertained in a castle. He had nothing with which to repay his friends. But he shut himself up in his room for some days before he left them, locking the door, and refusing to come out, or to let any one in. When he went away the servant found the sheets of his bed missing, and thought that he must have stolen them. But in searching further they were found in one corner of the room, and when unrolled were discovered to have a glorious picture of Alexander in the tent of Darius painted upon them.

Carlyle says, "The Situation that has not its Duty, its Ideal, was never yet occupied by man. Yes, here, in this poor, miserable, hampered, despicable Actual, wherein thou even now standest, here or nowhere is thy Ideal: work it out therefrom; and working, believe, live, be free. Fool! the Ideal is in thyself, the impediment too is in thyself: thy Condition is but the stuff thou art to shape that same Ideal out of: what matters whether such stuff be of this sort or that, so the form thou give it be heroic, be poetic? O thou that pinest in the imprisonment of the Actual, and criest bitterly to the gods for a kingdom wherein to rule and create, know this of a truth: the thing thou seekest is already within thee, "here or nowhere, couldst thou only see!"

If an artist can paint a picture on a bedsheet, can we not find opportunity and material in our present environment for the thing we wish to do?

We may let go of self-seeking. In the

eternal life there is no greed. One hears of neither "mine" nor "thine." All things are for all. As the waters fled away from Tantalus, so do the good things of life flee from the grasping and selfish spirit. The richest experiences of life never come to those who try to win them selfishly. If they do gain their desires, they find them as ashes to the taste. But all blessings are in the way of him who, forgetful of self, tries to be helpful to the world, and who spends his life in loving deeds.

Pretence, worry, discontent, and self-seeking, — these are the things that we may let go. Now what are the things in life that are worth while? — that we should lay hold of, keep, guard, use?

It is worth while to be wise in the use of time. In the eternal life there is no waste of years. It is with time that we purchase everything that life has of good. It is by the wise use of time that we make ourselves competent for eternity. The most reckless spendthrift in the world is the one who squanders time. Money lost may be regained, friendships broken may be renewed, houses and lands may be sold or buried or burnt, but may be bought or gained or built again. But what power can restore the moment that has been numbered with the ages gone?

It awes me when I think of it, that there was a time when you and I were not; — when the cycles of eternity swept onward and the stars turned in their courses without the sight or sound of man. And then came a time when Tubal Cain worked at his brasses' and Job watched Orion from the plain of Shinar. — and yet you and I were not. But now there can never come a time when you and I shall not be. The vast gift of eternity has been laid in your hands and mine: an eternity not wholly to come but one which is even now here. Shall we not use its hours aright?

(to be continued)

More Congressional Legislation on Free Press and Sunday Sacredness

Four strong Catholic bills having been recently introduced in Congress and hearings set for them, two to establish a censorship on the press and free speech, and two for the protection of Sunday sacredness, a sixteen-page Extra of Liberty Magazine has been published with the hope of defeating these bills.

This Extra deals with these questions in a most effective manner, and has petition blanks on the last two pages to be torn off and signed and sent at once to the congressman from the territory of the petitioners. The prices of these Extras are 5 cents each for 1 to 10 copies, \$1.00 per hundred, \$3.00 per thousand.

This Extra contains a strong, timely message for the American people on the cardinal principles of our free press and religious liberty—just the things the general public now needs and what it must have if the liberties of the nation are preserved.

Whatever is done with this Extra must be done at once. If the petitions are circulated immediately and promptly sent in they will have a tremendous influence in defeating these two Catholic bills now before Congress. Watch the *Review* for full particulars. Orders for the Extras should be sent in at once.

Liberty Extra

In the carrying forward of our work, we must become fully and thoroughly organized. It is training, education, that is needed. Preparedness is the word. The battle is on. The forces of evil are marshalling. The church must fight against seen and unseen forces. Men have confederated to oppose the Lord of Hosts. "These confederacies will continue until Christ shall leave his place of intercession before the mercy-seat, and shall put on the garments of vengeance. Satanic agencies are in every city, busily organizing into parties those opposed to the law of God. Professed saints and avowed unbelievers take their stand with these parties. This is no time for the people of God to be weaklings. We can not afford to be off our guard for one moment." *"Testimonies for the Church", Vol. 8, page 42.*

"The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds; casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." 2 Cor. 10: 4, 5.

Every opposition of the enemy affords an opportunity to set forth right principles, and to uphold truth which is immortal. In the Free Press and Religious Liberty Extra, prepared especially to meet the confederated forces of evil, we have a wonderful opportunity to work for God.

"Opportunities are opening on every side. Press every providential opening. Eyes need to be anointed with the heavenly eye-salve to see and sense their opportunities. God calls now for wide-awake missionaries. There are ways that will be presented before us. We are to see and understand these providential openings." *"Testimonies for the Church", Vol. 9, page 130.*

The trumpet call to universal action has sounded. God expects every professed believer to do his duty. "It is the neglect of Seventh-day Adventists to improve these providential opportunities that is hinder-

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending February 4, 1916									
W. H. Gilmore, Cincinnati		BF	6	49	9	15 50		15 50	5 50
J. S. Randolph, Morrow Co.		ES	5	42	18	63 00	11 25	74 25	22 50
George Cottman, Warren Co.		BR	5	41	9	27 00		27 00	33 00
R. E. Simpson, Logan Co.		BR	5	41	7	25 00		25 00	47 75
C. F. Wilcox, Stark Co.		DR	5	40	5	17 00		17 00	
C. R. Fairchild, Logan Co.		BR	5	40	14	54 00		54 00	11 00
P. A. Franks, Wayne Co.		BR	5	40	9	29 00	3 50	32 50	
J. H. Stafford, Cincinnati		BR	5	37	9	32 00	5 35	37 35	
H. W. Barto, Pickaway Co.		BR	4	35	9	30 00	5 25	35 25	
David Graham, Cleveland		BR	5	35	3	9 00	75	9 75	
H. Langdon, Morrow Co.		BR	5	34	16	54 00	4 70	58 70	6 40
W. H. Smith, Holmes Co.		BR	4	32	4	12 00	2 00	14 00	51 85
A. Gackenheimer, Warren Co.		BR	5	32	10	31 00	80	31 80	
Amos Mitchem, Cincinnati		BF	5	28	7	10 50		10 50	
Mrs. Stafford, Cincinnati		BF	5	27	17	28 50	30	28 80	
*C. G. Douglass, Akron		BR	8	58	28	65 00	15 35	80 35	50 00
B. H. Jefferies, East Liverpool		BR	5	23	11	38 00	1 00	39 00	50
Will Price, Knox Co.		BR	5	23	4	12 00	2 00	14 00	1 50
W. S. Syphers, Fayette Co.		BR	3	22	15	46 00	5 00	51 00	8 25
Mrs. M. Miller, Portsmouth Co.		CK	4	20	2	3 00		3 00	3 95
Mrs. C. Kelley, Portsmouth		CK	5	19	12	18 00	2 60	20 60	2 10
Ed Searles, Jr. Crawford Co.		BR	4	19			75	75	
Fred Hannah, Ashland Co.		BR	3	18					25 10
Henrietta Ray, Cincinnati		BF	3	17	2	5 00		5 00	
Wallace Kay, Mahoning Co.		CK	4	16					50 95
Richard DeCarmo, Summit Co.		HM	3	15	8	21 00	8 00	25 00	8 50
E. B. Melendy, Morrow Co.		GC	2	13	5	15 00	1 50	16 50	1 50
F. L. Rogers, Champaign Co.		BR	2	12	1	3 00	1 50	4 50	1 50
§Miscellaneous							2 00	2 00	1 25
Totals	28 Agents		124	828	230	\$663 50	\$69 60	\$733 10	\$332 10

District of Columbia, Week Ending February 4, 1916

M. J. Williams, Lancaster Co.	BR	7	62			135 00	2 90	137 90	40
M. W. Buell, Fairfax Co.	BR	5	31	20		64 00		64 00	
J. S. Spraggs, Lynceaster Co.	BR	5	25	11		38 00	4 85	42 85	1 20
J. I. Butcher, Washington D. C.	WC			200		50 00		50 00	50 00
Earl Wilcox, Prince George Co.	BR	2	12	6		20 00		20 00	60 00
Vera Carrigan, Washington D. C.	CK	3	10	7		10 50		10 50	18 50
F. A. Holland, Alexandria Co.	BR	3	15	3		9 00		9 00	15 00
Wm. Schmidt, Washington D. C.	Misc					6 25		6 25	17 50
L. J. Sanders, Alexandria Co.	BR	1	6	2		6 00		6 00	
S. N. Brown, Prince George Co.	BR	1	7						33 00
J. W. Hall, Alexandria Co.	Misc					6 65		6 65	6 65
Cecil Ross, Washington D. C.	BR	1							13 00
Miscellaneous,	Misc					12 75		12 75	12 75
Totals	12 Agents		28	168	283	\$358 15	\$7 75	\$365 99	\$228 00

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Takoma Park Church	7 50	Mrs. Cleveland	6 50
Memorial Church	8 70	Miss Detwiler	5 00
S. G. Bertolet	5 00	Irma Gerhart	1 00
Total			33 70

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending February 4, 1919

A. Brownlee, Washington Co.	PPF	5	44	12		30 00	14 45	44 45	30 75
Geo. Buttermore, Jefferson Co.	BR	5	31	6		18 00	3 50	51 50	1 75
C. Dunham, Allegheny Co.	GC	5	38	8		28 00		28 00	21 00
W. H. House, Jefferson Co.	GC	5	25	13		43 00	7 55	50 55	3 85
D. J. Hoover, Westmoreland Co.	BR	4	16	5		15 00	1 50	16 50	14 00
J. S. Glunt, Erie Co.	BR	3	6	2		6 00		6 00	18 00
Geo. Gates, Warren Co.	Helps	4	30	39			13 25	13 25	4 75
D. P. Patterson, Fayette Co.	BR	2	13	7		21 00	50	21 50	
G. Rager, Westmoreland Co.	RF	2	16	13		19 50	1 50	21 00	
C. E. Will, Washington Co.	CK	4	36	13		29 00	14 75	43 75	9 50
Totals	10 Agents		39	265	118	\$209 50	\$57 00	\$269 50	\$103 60

Virginia, Week Ending February 4, 1916

T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.	BR	5	39	1	3	00			3	00	211	00			
W. E. Carter, Middlesex Co.	BFL	5	40	27	76	50	2	05	78	55					
B. A. Ellis, Elizabeth City	BFL	3	14	31	51	50			15	50					
W. H. Hunt, Mecklenburg Co.	GC	3	23	6	19	00	70		19	70		70			
A. L. Gary, Nottaway Co.	CK	2	4	3	5	50			5	50					
David Orr, Mecklenburg Co.	CK	4	25	13	20	50	8	85	29	35					
A. L. Gary, Nottaway Co.	CK	4	29	16	22	90	4	00	26	90					
W. D. Butler, George Co.	CK	5	21	7	15	50	6	65	22	15					
Totals			7	Agents	31	197	104	\$214	30	\$22	25	\$236	55	\$211	70

West Virginia, Week Ending February 4, 1916

G. E. Snyder, Clarksburg	BR	5	31	7	22	00	15	75	37	75	50	00	
Mrs. G. Earl Snyder, Clarksburg	COL	3	7	4	5	00	10	75	15	75	2	50	
*J. W. Brando, Riverville	BR	7	48	7	72	00	7	70	79	70	78	95	
T. M. Butler,	BF	4	28								123	00	
W. H. Wilcox,	PPF	4	35	19	32	00			32	00	6	00	
Miscellaneous					13	40			13	40	13	40	
Totals			6	Agents		\$144	40	\$34	20	\$178	60	\$396	95

New Jersey, Week Ending February 4, 1916

Geo. Blinn, Mercere Co	HM	10	72	51	121	00			121	00			
E. J. Wood, Camden Co.	BR	5	23	9	18	00			18	00	5	00	
Totals			2	Agents	15	95	57	\$139	00	\$139	00	5	00

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending February 4, 1916

W. B. Dunkinson, Lacka. Co.	PPF	5	44	34	82	00	3	75	85	75	3	00	
Wm. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	GC	3	25				6	75	6	75			
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.	DR	2	10								17	00	
S. J. Mack, Northumberland Co.	DR	2	26								82	50	
T. Beamesderfer Lancaster Co.		5	36	7	10	50			10	50	61	50	
Grant Priddy, Luzerne Co.	SB	5	31	16	8	00			8	00	31	50	
M. M. Sterner, Union Co.	PPF	3	18				50		50		19	50	
Ella Asper, Perry Co.				8							3	45	
Eva Chandler, Philadelphia	Mag.				3	00			3	00	3	00	
Totals			9	Agents		\$103	50	\$11	00	\$114	50	\$221	45

Chesapeake, Week Ending February 4, 1915

O. C. Weller, Frederick Co.	BR	2	13	7	24	00	1	15	25	15	1	15			
C. W. Jenkins, Washington Co. Md.	BB	2	12	12	36	00	3	75	39	75	3	25			
D. W. Percy, Caroline Co.	PPF			40							145	00			
J. E. Jones, Dorchester Co.	PPF	3	20		2	00	75		2	75	74	80			
G. W. Lawrence, Harford Co.	DR	2	18								90	00			
Totals			5	Agents	9	103	20	\$62	00	5	65	\$67	65	\$314	20

Grand Totals: 79 Agents Value of Orders \$1894 35 Deliveries, \$1812 90

* Two weeks, † Three weeks, § Those working under ten hours per week.

Mount Vernon Academy

It is with sadness that we announce the death of one of our students, the first to my knowledge to occur in twelve years, resulting from sickness. During the month of December, we had three students come down with scarlatina, two of these were dormitory students and one, Miss Avis Capener lived with a family in the village. Miss Capener seemed to be recovering nicely from her attack and sat up for several days, but she suffered a relapse and seemed to go through with another run of the fever but having it much harder than the first time. The disease this time, seemed to settle in the kidneys and urinary poisoning set in, death resulting soon after.

Miss Capener's home is in Barabou, Wisconsin, to which place she was taken by her mother for burial. Sister Capener was with her daughter the last two weeks of her illness. Many students from the school and members of the faculty were at the station to pay their last respects to a fellow-student who had fallen so untimely under the band of death, and to express their sympathy for Sister Capener as she started on her long and sad journey.

Miss Capener was a member of one of my Bible classes and used to come to me often with questions on subjects she did not fully understand, and it was with pleasure that I watched her grow in the spiritual life and in a knowledge of the Word of God. It was my privilege also, to have a good personal talk with her in regard to her religious life and during the year she had yielded her life to the Saviour.

We believe she will wake to immortal life at the resurrection of the just. We extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the sorrowing parents and family.

Asleep in Jesus, soon to rise,
When the last trump shall rend the skies;
Then burst the fetters of the tomb,
And wake in full, immortal bloom.

N. S. ASHTON, Principal.

A Fine Combination

Our ministers and other public workers are frequently asked what is best to give to interested persons. We do not hesitate to recommend the *Signs Magazine* this month. Consider the following combination of subjects: Will the Wicked Burn Eternally? Sabbath that was made for Man; After the War; Christianity in its Battle with Rome; One Source of Immortality; There are eight or nine others and several current events to which the prophetic word is applied.

In ordering, be sure to ask for the March Number.

ing the advancement of the cause." Vol. 9, page 50.

We feel confident that our people will rally to the call and place this Extra in the hands of their friends and neighbors everywhere, and secure signatures from every quarter. We must in the Spirit of Christ put forth every effort to bring to the attention of men the great message of Revelation 14. This is the message for the hour. This Free Press Extra at \$1.00 per hundred, or \$8.00 per thousand, is within our reach. Great good will accrue to the movement in this concerted action.

If the bills, which are designed to shut out from the mails literature dealing with religious issues should become a law, our work would be greatly hampered. Most of our books, magazines, periodicals, and tracts would be refused passage through the mails. The difficulty of placing the

literature in the hands of our people for distribution would be almost insurmountable, and we would be largely deprived of one of our most effective soul-winning agencies. Therefore every Seventh-day Adventist should be deeply interested and active in sending in as many signed petitions as possible. Let them pour in, accompanied by the prayers of God's people, and we may expect the bills to be defeated.

A hearing is soon to be granted. Now is the time to put forth a united effort in defense of truth and liberty. The press is a mighty factor, one of the greatest, and its voice must not be silenced.

F. W. PAAP.

"Temporal things wear away and waste by usage, but spiritual things increase and grow through constant use."

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Elder Daniells at Portland, Maine

About 1,800 people sat before Elder Daniells in Portland's beautiful civic hall one Sunday evening recently to hear the first of three lectures that he gave in that city. So great was the interest in his subject, "Changing the World's Map," that the leading business men invited him to address them at a banquet the next evening at their club headquarters. Elder Daniells accepted the invitation, with the intention of speaking on the political, commercial and educational awakening in India and China. To his surprise, they expressed a preference for a repetition of his Sunday night's lecture. Two hundred or more were present, and to use the words of our informant, "not a man moved, not an eye seemed to shift during the speech."

Manuscript of this lecture and two others—"Miracles of Modern Missions" and "Preparedness and Armageddon" have been secured by the weekly *Signs of the Times* for publication. The first will appear about the first of March.

Our people will wish quantities of these special issues for distribution among neighbors and for mailing to friends and relatives. The publishers will be prepared to meet the big demand. The price will be two and one half cents per copy in lots of five or more to one individual. Let your tract society know at once how many you can use.

Do You Have to Write Minutes?

If you do, you will appreciate the three column article in the March number of the *Sabbath School Worker* entitled, A "New Leaf." It tells about a perplexed Sabbath school secretary who found her notes late Friday evening and wrote out a

report, with the usual result. It was monotonous, uninteresting, and just like dozens of others which she had previously written. But the article does not leave the secretary there, but shows how a little incident helped her to know just how she could change that very uninteresting report into one that bristled with interest. If you want to know how she did it, read the March number of the *Worker*.

Do You Know?

Do You Know "that in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory?" *Vol. VII, p. 140.*

Do You Know "that God has a work for you to do and that if you neglect to do it you can never hope to hear him say "Well done thou good and faithful servant"?"

Do You Know "that heavenly angels have long been waiting for human agents—the members of the church—to co-operate with them in the great work to be done?" Do you know that "They are waiting for you?" *Vol. IX, p. 46, 47.*

Do You Know that the Testimonies tell us that "the work which is not done in times of peace and prosperity will have to be done under the most trying and difficult circumstances?" And do you know that troublous times are right upon us?

Do You Know that the Turk is making speedy preparations to remove his seat of government into Asia? (News-papers). And do you know that we are on the very verge of the eternal world?

Do You Know that every colporteur who has put in even half time has sold from \$1.00 to \$2.00 worth of literature per hour, and that full time will bring a better average than half time?

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"A fixed principle of truth is the only safeguard for youth."

Washington Missionary College

Dr. David Paulson delivered the fifth lecture on our course Thursday evening, February 3. His subject was "The Miracle of Health and Healing."

Dr. Paulson also remained with us over the Sabbath, speaking to the students on Friday evening and again at church services on Sabbath. His words of instruction were much appreciated.

President Shaw has not returned to his school work yet, but expects to be able to do so very soon.

The students are taking hold very well in the raising of the new building fund. Over fifteen hundred dollars has already been pledged.

Mr. W. J. Brines of Melrose, Mass., who has been visiting his son, Rolland, and his daughter, Mrs. Wayne Barto, has now returned to New England.

Elder C. F. Ulrich of Western Pennsylvania spent a few days with friends here.

Several young men in the ministerial course had the opportunity this past week of speaking, in the new church in the city of Washington. Elder Harter has been conducting a series of special meetings.

The topic of the Young People's meeting Sabbath afternoon was "Temperance." Elder C. S. Longacre addressed the society.

Advertisements

Approved advertisements will be published in the VISITOR at the rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words or less, and one cent for each additional word. Each group of initials or figures counts as one word. Cash and reference must accompany copy for all advertisements.

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