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West Virginia and Ohio

It has been my privilege in the last few weeks to make two trips west; one throughout the state of West Virginia, and the other one a visit to Mount Vernon Academy and a council meeting with the Ohio Conference Committee.

Reports coming in from the three western conferences,—Ohio, West Virginia, and West Pennsylvania,—are of a highly encouraging nature. Brother Robbins writes that this year will be the banner year in the West Pennsylvania Conference.

In West Virginia I visited the churches of Morgantown, Huntingdon and Charleston, besides looking over the city of Wheeling as a prospect for a coming Union city effort and visiting a while in Parkersburg with some of our workers there.

In Morgantown we found Elder Stevens of good courage and happy in the success which his church is having in prosecuting the Harvest Ingathering campaign. There seems prospect for an encouraging advance in this city of Morgantown. In Huntingdon Brother and Sister Ruehlkoetter are being blessed in their labors. It is encouraging to note that where once there was nothing there is now a small earnest company of about twenty-five believers. They are clinging with consecration to the Word of Life and expect its proclamation to reach further honest souls. Likewise in Charleston we found that Elder Redfield, who has since been called from Charleston to engage in general labor in the state, had been blessed in his efforts to put the work in that place on a sounder basis. Elder French this last summer has held two tent efforts and expressed his confidence that by the end of the year they would bring an addition of 20 to 25 to the church.

We searched diligently through the city of Wheeling but after considerable negotiations and a number of apparent disappointments, we felt there was no opening there for us. We are still continuing our negotiations in hopes that we shall be able to proceed with the original plan. How-

ever, as is the experience of all our city workers, when a city does not apparently open at a certain time it is best not to force things in order to enter under disadvantageous conditions; but it is best to go elsewhere.

We are very anxious over this city proposition because we hope, if the Lord favors us, to carry on an effort again this winter as large as the one in Pittsburgh. The brethren of the Union Committee would like to see a special number of the VISITOR printed during this effort, in order that our brethren throughout the field may have the full benefit of the sermons, reports, and items of progress.

We found the work in Ohio in a very encouraging condition. The Academy has a larger enrollment than ever before. On Friday night as we addressed the students, the spirit of God came into the meeting in so marked a manner that many surrenders were made to the Lord. Not a few gave their hearts to God for the first time, while some, who had come under adverse influences, renewed their faith and consecration.

A council meeting held with the Ohio Committee resulted in arrangements and plans which we confidently expect will be for the betterment and advancement of our work.

B. G. WILKINSON.

Higher Standards for Teachers

There is no question in the minds of educational men of today but that much progress has been made within the last two decades in systematizing and standardizing the various grades of schools. This has not only made confident the strong but spurred up or driven out the weak. However, the educational machinery does not yet operate so well in every detail as to strengthen or eliminate all weaknesses.

This has been true in a measure in the educational system of Seventh-day Adventists, but it is true in a far more marked degree in the schools for the general public. Under the fostering care of the state and under the jealous laws which guard the professional schools and under the efforts of men who regard commercial standards as all-important, great steps have been taken to find all weaknesses. The search-light is almost

ready to be focused upon any given point, and compel it to be remedied.

The Wise Man said a long time since "A prudent man foreseeth the evil and hideth himself, but the simple pass on and are punished." In the past, little has been done to check up the work in the schools of Seventh-day Adventists, and in some cases very inferior work has been done. This has been due partly to lack of facilities and partly to weaknesses in the teaching force. The part of prudence for the present will be to come up on the standards rather than "pass on and be punished." It may be better to say, come up to the standards, for Seventh-day Adventists have standards high enough for all present requirements but they are in too many cases ideality instead of reality.

From the experience of the past, little is to be feared from the state authorities, but when ecclesiastical authorities take hold of the civil authorities a different state of affairs will exist at once.

This is well illustrated in a recent experience at Brantford, Ontario. A Roman Catholic truant officer served summons on two of the parents who sent their children to our church school. The first hearing was adjourned and at the next hearing the teacher was called to the witness stand. Elder Campell's account of the trial and the outcome is as follows:—

"Miss Myrtle Patten, the teacher, was put under oath and sharply questioned concerning her qualifications as a teacher and the character of the work carried on in the church school. She answered all the questions without hesitation and was prepared to demonstrate both her own qualifications as a teacher and the high grade of work being done in the school. In spite of the effort to overthrow our work, every charge was refuted and the opposition silenced. The judge was disposed to dismiss the charges and throw the case out of court then, but at the earnest request of the truant officer, and police chief it was adjourned until Wednesday, November 1. At the close of the hearing I had a personal talk with the Judge explaining to him our educational system and the reasons why we maintained schools of our own and gave him a copy of our General Conference Bulletin No. 14 which outlines the curriculum of the elementary schools. This conversation

had a favorable effect on his mind and the character and extent of our educational work was an evident surprise to him.

"I attended the third hearing Wednesday morning and we found a wonderful change had come over our opponents. They withdrew all objections to our school and the judge promptly threw the case out of court."

A strong effort is being made year after year to strengthen our teaching force in the Columbia Union. Teachers already in the field are encouraged to attend summer schools and take advanced studies. This may be a longer road to graduation but it will surely reach the goal in time. Credits are given for studies completed in our eight weeks summer schools and wide-awake teachers are glad for the opportunity afforded them.

C. L. STONE.

News Notes

It is not doing the thing we like to do, but liking the thing we have to do that makes life blessed. —Goethe.

Our report this week gives us the privilege of darkening the faces of eleven more squares, since \$2323.23 (notice the figures 23-23-23- skidoo numbers) additional Harvest Ingathering money has come in. Can we keep up the good record until Christmas? Let us hope.

Connellsville, Pa., Rockaway, N. J. and Huntington, West Va., report their goals met and passed. They are continuing their efforts for they want to see their conference reach their goal. Several more churches have their goal within sight.

The Cleveland English Church leads the churches within the Union with the largest amount realized, \$593.11. Pittsburgh No. 1 comes next with \$476.93. Shall I give the name of the church having the smallest amount? We are quite sure of a better report, so will defer.

People will soon be absorbed in the affairs of Christmas, so better not postpone longer your visits in behalf of the Harvest Ingathering. DO IT NOW.

Is He Correct?

A writer in the December *Signs Magazine* says, "Christian socialism is a joke." Among other equally striking statements this question is asked: "Bad as this old world is, are thieving and harlotry necessary?" Look for it under the title, "Socialism and Salvation." You will make no mistake if you recommend the December Number.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Harvest Ingathering Notes

The campaign is on in all parts of the field. Reports coming in from the different churches contain the ring of courage and cheer that always comes with success. Some of the churches were hampered somewhat because of having ordered an insufficient supply of papers. How rapidly they go, and the funds increase when we put forth faithful effort in our own little sphere! In a number of the churches many of the members have forgotten all about the \$5.00 limit for individual goals, and are working for greater success. We cannot really appreciate the blessing that accompanies the work until we ourselves co-operate with the Master in the accomplishment of the task before us. Oh that all, both young and old, might take an active part in the campaign before it closes, and share with the faithful the joy that comes with a realizing sense of duty fulfilled!

Without a doubt, this is the call of the eleventh hour. The finishing of the work lies before us. The millions out in the regions of darkness are calling for help ere probation's hours shall close. The nations are hastening on apace toward the last great conflict which will terminate human history.

Soon will the season of rescue be o'er,

Soon will they drift to eternity's shore,
Haste then, my brother, no time for delay,

But throw out the life-line, and save them today.

Only a few more weeks remain in the present year for us to have a part in this soul winning campaign. Let us all unite our efforts during this short time left us. Remember the coming of the Master is either hastened or retarded in proportion to the efforts we put forth in helping to warn the world.

Several of the churches have already reached their goals. Brother Robbins reports from Connellsville that they have gone beyond their goal of \$75. Greensburg also reports having had good success. We are glad to see some of the smaller churches and companies set the pace for the larger churches.

In the Washington Church, with only a few exceptions, all the members are actively engaged in the Ingathering campaign. Sister Guthrie reports having received \$7 for seven papers. Her daughter Anna reports excellent success, having received \$4 for two papers. This church set a goal averaging \$5 for every member, and latest reports en-

courage us to believe that in a few weeks they will reach the goal.

One of the isolated sisters in the conference, writing to the office recently, told of her experience in starting out with the Ingathering Signs. She told of the struggle, and how victory came at just the right time. A portion of 2 Tim. 3:5 was quoted in this sister's letter. "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof." How many among God's professed followers today have the form of godliness, but by their unfaithfulness in the performance of duty deny the power thereof?

While working in the city of Johnstown this week with the Signs, Elder Ulrich, Brother Spencer, and Brother Christman constituted a committee to visit the business men in the city as far as possible. The venture proved a grand success. An average of \$1 was received from each one. Without a doubt this is one of the most successful methods for prosecuting the work among this class in the large cities. The Lord desires that we study the best methods and plans by which we can accomplish the most in our service for Him.

We would like to urge all to report the results of their efforts from week to week. This will give the leaders in each church the information needed to raise the thermometer toward the goal. Soon we will be able to sing the song of Victory.

VIRGINIA

Arrangements Made for Week of Prayer

At a meeting of the Conference Committee at Gordonsville, November 15, it was voted to provide conference workers for each of our churches during the week of prayer, December 2 to 9, to assist local church officers on this important occasion as follows: Elder A. E. Serns, Richmond; William H. Jones, Guinea Mills; Elder I. D. Richardson, Norfolk and Newport News No. 1; Elder L. O. Gordon, Portsmouth, Ford, and Republican Grove; M. S. Kritzky, Yale; Miss Anna C. Rice, Lynchburg; Harry Wright, Roanoke; Elder W. E. Bidwell, Charlottesville and Basic; W. H. George, Stanley; Elder W. H. Armstrong, Rileyville; Elder R. D. Hottel, R. F. Farley, New Market; Mrs. E. V. Manners, Newport News No. 2; Elder W. H. Sebastian, Portsmouth No. 2, Norfolk No. 2; Elder J. B. Mallory, Richmond No. 2; A. J. Evelyn, News Ferry, Danville and Spencer.

WEST VIRGINIA

News Notes

Elder F. Dewitt Gautereau, and family of California, arrived in Parkersburg this week and will labor in the West Virginia Conference. Elder Gautereau has formerly labored in France and England.

Elder Hirlinger is spending a few days in Parkersburg. We are glad that his health is improving.

We were glad to have Elder French visit the conference office this week. He reports that the Harvest Ingathering work is progressing nicely in Charleston. The Charleston Church thus far this year has raised more Harvest Ingathering money than any other church in the conference.

Elder Redfield has found it necessary to lay down his work in connection with the Harvest Ingathering campaign in this conference and Elder Stevens has been called to the work.

We are nearing the holidays and there seems to be a great demand for small books. We have the books and should we not give the people an opportunity to buy them?

OHIO

News Notes

Have you saved the "Review" containing the readings for the Week of Prayer? The Tract Society has a few extra on hand which may be secured at five cents a copy.

Ohio believes in letting her reports show the result of her work. "It is not the engine with the loudest exhaust that is hauling the longest train."

Even while calling on friends, we can solicit means on the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Mrs. V. O. Punches, wife of our home Missionary Secretary, secured five dollars in this manner.

Begin now to carefully and prayerfully study the Week of Prayer readings, that you may benefit more from them.

Brother V. O. Punches is going to Canton to visit the church therein the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work this week.

Elder Slade held a council meeting with Brethren Muntz and Rossin, our colored ministers, in Columbus Wednesday. Plans were laid for their future work that will no doubt result in decided advancement.

Brother H. J. H. Albright has just entered the colporteur work and we think there is a bright future before him.

It has been arranged for Brother H. A. Rossin to make Cincinnati his field of labor now. Elder Leslie Muntz, who has been spending a few weeks in Cincinnati, will now give attention to the work of his department in Springfield and Columbus.

Page 23 of the "Review and Herald" of November 2 tells why the paper will be \$2.25 after January 1. Save by subscribing now.

Brother Carl Fairchild visited the colporteurs at London, Springfield, Wilmington, Winchester and Athens during the past week.

In three reports recently received from isolated members, we received five, six, and sixteen dollars respectfully to apply on our Harvest Ingathering goal.

Mr. John Punches and wife and Grover and Miss Effie Punches, of Hamler, are visiting Brother V. O. Punches and other relatives in Academia.

Did you read Elder Spicer's article for Week of Prayer? You can better plan for that Annual Offering after doing so. Also, notice Elder Knox's report of amounts allowed for the needs in various fields for 1917, on the last page of this number. Are we planning to meet such a responsibility and make possible greater progress? The date of the Annual Offering is December 9.

Brother and Sister Fellabams, of Springfield, are taking up the colporteur work. The Lord gave them good success in handling the small books last week, and we trust they will be as successful in using the subscription books.

Elder E. K. Slade spent the latter part of the week in Youngstown Church Sabbath forenoon and with the Roumanian Church at Warren in the afternoon. During this time he held a council meeting with Brother John Klepe, our Roumanian minister, and Elder Steen Rasmusson, secretary of the North American Foreign Department, in the interest of the Roumanian work and other foreign nationalities.

Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Punches and cousin, are spending a couple days with M. V. Eusey, pastor of our Columbus Church.

Brother H. D. Holtom, our conference treasurer, called on the president of one of the Mount Vernon banks, and explained the Harvest Ingathering campaign with the paper, thus securing ten dollars.

Miss Acton has just returned to the office after a three weeks' trip among the churches of the state in the interest of her departmental work. Since Miss Hixon has been added to our office force as her assistant, it enables Miss Acton to give more attention to field work.

CHESAPEAKE

The conference committee met last Thursday in Baltimore, and some important matters were attended to. Among other things considered was the week of prayer. We hope everyone will make this a very important week in their experience. Be faithful in attending the meetings wherever you have opportunity to do so, and if you cannot meet with others be sure to observe the season alone with God. We want to again call your attention to the Annual Offering, the last Sabbath, Dec. 9. Our conference is greatly in arrears on its foreign missions offerings. Surely it will not be well to let this season go by without making a large thank offering for the blessings of the year. You know the Lord promises that "the liberal soul shall be made fat." "God loveth a cheerful giver."

Our Harvest Ingathering Campaign is onward. The Baltimore Church No. 1 last Sabbath reported \$205.52, and there yet remains much territory to be worked and quite a goodly number of papers are on hand. This church was late in beginning its campaign because of the campaign with Temperance Instructors just prior to the fall election, when the Prohibition question was so much agitated in this city.

Hagerstown reports having sent their thermometer up to \$53 last week. They are calling for five hundred more papers. The church at Dover, Del., sent us an order for 100 more papers. One of our isolated sisters, Mrs. W. T. Durst at Barton, Md., sent us an order for 25 papers. She says she will do what she can with them and may order more. The new church at Glenburnie have used 100 papers and have ordered another hundred. To date we have ordered from the

Pacific Press for this campaign 16,650 papers. This is more by several thousand than we have ever ordered before and we hope for larger returns than ever before. Brother, sister, if you have not yet entered the work delay no longer. There is a wonderful blessing connected with it. Precious souls who are interested in this message are found who might not be found in any other way. The leaders are making the lead in Baltimore, and in other places. This is as it should be. Every minister, so far as we know, including the president of the conference, the Bible workers, and the colporteurs and the secretary of the conference are having a hand in this glorious work. The workers are not asking the people to go out and do something they are unwilling to do. So we trust the brethren and sisters will rally round us and help in raising our full twenty-cent-per week to missions.

The interest in the work in Baltimore continues. There will be baptism again on Sabbath. There was a nice attendance on Sunday night at the Strand Theater. This is at 404-6 N. Howard St. Meetings will be held there again Sunday afternoon and night. This will continue each Sunday for another month.

Mr. John J. Martin, one of our former colporteurs called at the office last week. We were glad to see him again. He is now located in Camden, N. J.

We were also pleased to see Mrs. M. C. Derr and Miss Anna Kemp, with her little niece, all of Frederick Church, with us last Sabbath. They are spending a few days in the city visiting friends. These sisters are practically alone in Frederick. Yet they have been working hard and have nearly \$40.00 to their credit on the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

Brother Hankins is spending the week with Brother Hohensee in Jefferson County, W. Va., where Brother Hohensee has gone to work.

NEW JERSEY

Please Note

I desire to put the readers of the VISITOR on their guard against an imposter who gave me his name as "GrueLOW," purporting to be a member of the Russian Church in Toronto.

He is a short, stout man with a large forehead, says he is 28 years old, but looks older. He claims to have come over from Russia where he and his parents ac-

cepted the truth under Elder Conradi's labors, and because of persecution a number of believers had to emigrate to Canada about sixteen years ago. His plan is to try to borrow money until he gets his wages; he told me he was working at the American Locomotive Works in Paterson, N. J., which I found was not true. When he called on some of the members in Newark, he said he was working for a firm in that city and promised to come back to pay the borrowed money when he got his wages, this he had not done in either case.

This man told me that Elder Matula of Newark sent him to me; he knows that Elder Matula has charge of the Slavish work, and may utilize this knowledge in deceiving others. He is in possession of one of my visiting cards, and has already used this by calling on one of our brethren, and telling them I sent him there. This was not so, nor have I sent him anywhere else.

I hope this little note of warning may save some of our good, generous-hearted brethren from being victimized.

R. H. MARTIN.

News Notes

Elder A. R. Sandborn met with the Jersey City Swedish Church last Sabbath morning and with the church at Plainfield in the afternoon, and good meetings were enjoyed at both places.

Brother Clarence Lawry, secretary of the conference, conducted the meeting with the Annandale company on Sabbath, and T. D. Gibson visited the church at Burlington.

Elder J. W. McNeil is conducting very interesting Sunday night meetings in the church of Trenton, and there has been a good attendance of members and of those from the outside.

Miss Ella Iden, Sabbath school secretary, spent the past two weeks with the churches at Newark, Jersey City, Bridgeton, Ramah and Cape May Court House in the interest of Sabbath school and church school work.

The annual conference workers' meeting will be held at Trenton, January 16-18, and this will be preceded by the meeting of the auditing committee. All of the conference workers will attend and a period of practical instruction is anticipated.

Elder George F. Enoch was met at Wilmington, Del., Sunday by Brother Clarence Lawry, who conducted him to a number of the churches in the southern

part of the state, where very interesting lectures were given on mission field experiences, these being illustrated with lantern slides.

Brother C. E. Gulick, pastor of the Jersey City No. 2 Church, who has been laid up with an attack of neuritis for a number of weeks, is reported to be gaining in health, and it is hoped he will soon have made a complete recovery and be able to take up his work again.

Elder Sandborn was called to Takama Park, D. C., on Tuesday last on conference business, and incidentally visited his daughter Neva, who is attending the College.

Mrs. H. F. Taylor, wife of Elder Taylor, of Jersey City No. 1 Church, has been quite ill for two weeks. A physician had told her that she would be compelled to remain in her room for the next three months, but the Lord was petitioned in her behalf and in a few days she was restored to normal health and was out to the church service last Sabbath.

The church at Camden having been without a pastor for a number of months, a suggestion was made to the members of the church that if they would change the time of their meeting from morning to afternoon that Elder McNeill, of the Trenton Church, would be able to minister to them each Sabbath afternoon. This suggestion was promptly acted on, and last Sabbath Elder McNeill had the privilege of meeting with this church at its first afternoon meeting.

Brethren W. B. Plant and W. W. Jennings have located at Penns Grove, Salem County, and are canvassing for a holiday delivery. This is a very busy place and no doubt success will attend their efforts.

Brother Gibson, our field agent, was at Newark recently assisting Charlie Steffko to canvass with Coming King. Although this is a congested eastern city, about ten dollars worth of orders were taken in one afternoon.

Brother T. H. Barritt has been working in the southern part of the state in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering, and reports splendid success. He recently took a company from the church at Cape May Court House to Cape May and in four hours \$24.25 was realized, making a total of \$42 for two days. The supply of papers failing, this company used one hundred papers of last year.

Life Sketch of David Paulson M. D.

David Paulson was the third child of Jorgen and Carrie Paulson. His parents were both born in Denmark and came to the United States in the year 1863. They first settled on a farm at Raymond, Wis., some sixteen miles northwest of Racine. There were six children in the family, five boys and one girl. It was at Raymond that David was born on the twenty-seventh day of October, 1868. Consequently he was forty-seven years, eleven months and eighteen days old on the date of his death, October 15, 1916.

When David was only six years old, his parents journeyed West to what was then the frontier of civilization and settled on a farm twenty miles north of the little town of Vermilion, Clay County, South Dakota. With them he passed through all the hardships incident to pioneer life. Poverty in those days was the common lot of all frontiersmen. The family lived in a sod house which at that time was practically the only kind of dwelling known in the then far North-West. The hauling and farm work was all done with oxen as horses were scarce and too expensive for the homesteaders to own. During several years their crops were almost completely destroyed by the grasshoppers so that David became inured to the rude privations, and rugged, toilsome life of the plains. At that time there were only thirty-five miles of railroad in the State of Dakota.

While yet in Wisconsin the parents of David Paulson became converted to the Seventh-day Adventist faith in the year 1867, under the labors of the late Elder John G. Matteson so that it may be said that David was born in the belief of the near advent of the Lord. His brothers state that when a child of tender years, he was always of a deeply religious turn of mind having a firm belief that the providence of God would provide for him and all his wants. The writer has often heard him tell the story how that when he was a little boy it was his duty to care for cattle on the prairies and to herd them from early morning till late at night, as in those days fences were practically unknown in that part of the country. The work was hard and very tiresome and David would often pray that God would bless him by giving him a pony so that he could ride it while following the cattle instead of going on foot. While the pony was never given him, his faith in God remained unshaken that his Father in Heaven did and would care for him by mighty providences. He was always very studious and never could be prevailed upon to attend any kind of an entertain-

When only eight years of age, he attended the first camp-meeting ever held by the Seventh-day Adventist people in the State of Dakota. This was at Sioux Falls. Elder James and Sister Ellen G. White were present at the gathering. Their earnest labors made a deep impression upon his heart and before the meeting closed, he went forward in the ordinance of baptism.

He was only fourteen years of age when death robbed him of the mother whom he dearly loved. At the age of fifteen he was stricken with diphtheria. There was an epidemic of that dread disease at the time. One of his brothers, a girl who worked in the family, and a cousin, were also stricken, all three of them were taken away by its ruthless hand. One night as he lay apparently unconscious, his father and elder brother, Mr. N. W. Paulson, were talking together in low tones by his bedside, the trend of their conversation being that there was no hope of his life and they discussed how they must dig his grave and bury him the next day. Ill as he was, he caught the drift of their conversation and raised his heart to God in earnest prayer pleading with the Lord to spare him and promising his Father in Heaven that if this was done he would devote his entire life to the service of the Cross.

His brother relates how immediately after that a marked change was noticeable in his condition. He began to gain and was soon out of danger, though very feeble for a considerable time and obliged to walk on crutches. It was not long after this that the hand of death removed his father and David was left an orphan.

In the year 1888 he attended a camp-meeting at Mitchell, S. Dak., where he listened to Professor W. W. Prescott, then president of the Battle Creek College, Battle Creek, Mich., deliver a stirring address upon the subject of Christian education. That sermon filled him with a mighty inspiration to attend college. Through the kindness of his brother, Nels. W. Paulson, the way opened for him to leave home and journey to Battle Creek, Mich., in the fall of 1888. He immediately entered the Seventh-day Adventist denominational college at that place and when the school year was out in the spring of 1889, he began his first work in the Battle Creek Sanitarium, his lot being to carry hot water to the rooms of the different patients at the early morning hour of 5:30. When this task was done, his duty was to wash tin-ware at the kitchen sink and in the evening he worked as call boy until ten o'clock. For all of this he received only his board and approximately fifteen dollars per month with no allowance for over time and roomed in a very humble shanty located

on a back lot. The place where he slept was most unsanitary and his lot a very hard one.

In a paper which he dictated on the 22nd of last September, sketching a few things connected with those times, he tells how day by day his soul became more and more embittered against the institution and those who were managing it, and how he fast began to lose his hold on God. He relates how only one man, the cook in all that large institution, ever inquired in regard to the welfare of his soul and states that this humble worker seemed determined that the last spark of spirituality should not die out of his life. In this the cook was successful and succeeded under the hand of God, in expelling his bitter thoughts and awakening him to a renewed desire to serve his God.

Commenting upon this Dr. David wrote in the paper referred to above, "My star will be in his crown throughout all eternity."

During the following winter, Mrs. Ellen G. White held some meetings at the Battle Creek Sanitarium and spoke to the workers there under the mighty inspiration of the Holy Spirit, telling of God's purpose in the institution and of what he expected of the managers and of the helpers. Concerning this experience, Dr. David has written:

"I think I saw myself then as God saw me and confessed my sins. A little later, looking over the books in the helper's book-case, I came across the volumes of the Testimonies. I had never read them. Fingering over the leaves aimlessly, I noticed something about the Sanitarium. I read, and to my great joy found that it was the same kind of instruction as I had heard Sister White give. I speedily bought a set of the Testimonies and began to read them."

Then it was that he discovered that God had given to the Seventh-day Adventist people, a divine pattern for the Sanitarium work just as He gave Moses a divine pattern for the building of the tabernacle and the conduct of its service. From that time to the day of his death, there has been no man in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination who has been a more faithful and devoted student, not only of the Bible, but also of the writings of the prophet of the Lord. Both these sources of divine light, the latter supplementing and amplifying the former, became the guiding stars of his every word and work.

In the summer of 1890, he graduated from the Academic Course in the Battle Creek College, and in the autumn of that same year, he entered the Battle Creek Sanitarium as a medical student, spending one year in that institution, and in the fall of 1891, he entered the College of Medicine of the University of Michigan

at Ann Arbor. Notable amongst his class mates are Dr. Alfred Olsen, now superintendent of the Surrey Hills Sanitarium, Caterham, England; Dr. Abbie Winegar, now Dr. Abbie Winegar-Simpson, of the Long Beach, Cal., Sanitarium; Doctors Daniel and Lauretta Kress, of Washington, D. C.; Dr. W. A. George, of Loma Linda, Cal., Dr. Howard Rand, of the Glendale Sanitarium, Glendale, Cal.

David Paulson did not graduate in medicine from the University of Michigan, but took his senior year's work at the Bellevue Medical College, New York, from which he graduated as a Doctor of Medicine in the year 1894. During his stay in New York City, he lived at the old Medical Mission conducted by Dr. Dowkontt who at that time conducted a home for medical students desiring to give their lives to gospel medical missionary work.

After his graduation and the taking of some post-graduate work, he returned to Battle Creek, Mich., and as Dr. W. H. Riley, the specialist in nervous diseases had left the Sanitarium to take the superintendency of the sanitarium at Boulder, Colo., Dr. David Paulson took his place in the Nervous Diseases Department.

It was at this time that the first notable part of his life work began. Under the hand of God, he turned the ship of his medical career into distinctly medical missionary and gospel lines. Just prior to this time the writer of this sketch had conducted classes in the study of the Bible in the parlor of the old Hospital Building of the Battle Creek Sanitarium. These classes were held at the early hour of four A. M., but so great was the interest that scores upon scores of helpers flocked to them. Dr. David conceived the idea of tremendously enlarging and strengthening this sort of work in the institution and began to devote much of his time to organizing classes for the study of all phases of religious life in every department of the institution.

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Reduction in "Signs" Weekly Rates

With a firm conviction that our denominational missionary paper, the *Signs*, should occupy a much broader field of influence, and that this desired result would follow if prices were such as to encourage the taking of large clubs, the publishers of that soul-winner have decided to make some sweeping reductions in rates.

After earnestly studying the situation for several days, it was seen that this could be done by effecting certain economies in production, such as issuing an

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
District of Columbia, Week Ending Nov. 17, 1916									
Mrs. Earl Wilcox, Montgomery Co.		BR	3	16	25	75 00	50	75 50	
D. P. Corbett, Loudoun Co.		BR	3	21	21	63 00	2 50	65 50	
Windon Welch, Washington		BR	3	15	12	36 00		36 00	
Chas. Dunham, Washington		GC	9	52	34	105 00	5 10	110 10	3 30
F. T. Feutz, Washington		BR	6	30	16	48 00		48 00	
E. R. Corder, Washington		BR	3	15	11	35 00		35 00	
C. A. Carter, Washington		BR	3	15	17	51 00		51 00	
Cecil Ross, Washington D. C.		BR	1	3	3	11 00	1 50	12 50	62 95
Miscellaneous		Misc				62 95		62 95	
Totals	8 Agents		31	167	139	\$486 95	9 60	\$496 55	\$66 25

MAGAZINES									
Mrs. H. M. Cleveland						15 00	Janet Morris		7 50
Rachel Salisbury						10 00	Miss Taylor		5 00
Mabel Cassell						20 00			
Total									\$57 50

Ohio, Week Ending Nov. 10, 1916									
Fred Hannah, Wayne Co.		BR	5	45	12	36 00	8 50	44 50	13 00
R. DeGarmo, Medina Co.		HM	5	44	13	26 00	13 00	39 00	
R. H. Patterson, Greene Co.		BR	5	43	15	50 00	6 00	56 00	1 50
Chas. Carter, Clinton Co.		BR	9	85	16	52 00	5 25	57 25	2 25
W. S. Syphers, Clark Co.		BR	5	41	1	3 00	75	3 75	108 25
W. H. Smith, Holmes Co.		BR	5	40	5	17 00	8 25	25 25	
Geo. Carter, Clinton Co.		BR	8	79	10	36 00	9 00	45 00	132 25
E. E. Goodrich, Champaign Co.		BR	5	33	1	3 00	75	3 75	65 25
Mrs. Smith, Ironton		CK	5	33	12	18 00	20 50	38 50	10 25
C. F. Wilcox, Licking Co.		BR	5	33	13	41 00	75	41 75	
Mrs. C. Kelley, Springfield		CK	4	31	16	25 00	5 60	30 60	6 25
P. A. Franks, Hancock Co.		BR	4	30	2	6 00	3 00	9 00	65 60
J. H. Stafford, Columbus		BR	5	28	4	14 00	1 70	15 70	4 00
Clara Weber, Springfield		CK	4	24	9	13 50	2 20	15 70	75
G. W. Yingling, Salem		BR	4	21	7	25 50	14 55	42 05	82 15
L. C. Metcalf, Guernsey Co.		BR	8	40	14	46 00	3 50	49 50	50
Frank Fuels, Adams Co.		BR	2	20					36 75
Will Price, Toledo		BR	3	14	1	3 00	7 25	10 25	3 25
D. McCarthy, Mahoning Co.		BR	3	15	3	12 00	3 00	15 00	12 75
J. E. Carder, Montgomery Co.		BR	3	14					34 00
H. W. Barto, Clinton Co.		BR	2	14					196 75
Miscellaneous	Home Workers						25 00	25 00	12 75
Totals	21 Agents		99	727	154	\$429 00	\$138 55	\$567 55	\$788 25

West Virginia, Week Ending Nov. 10, 1916									
S. J. Monroe, Marshall Co.		BR	3	23	4	12 00	3 00	15 00	33 00
T. M. Butler, Harrison Co.		BR	5	34		72 00	15 50	87 00	
W. A. McElphatrick, Marshall Co.		BR	5	39	16	50 00	11 60	61 60	1 60
J. S. Seal, Kenawha Co.		BR	5	25	29	96 00	12 30	108 30	5 20
Mrs. G. E. Snyder, North View		BF	3	12	52	44 25		44 25	16 00
G. E. Snyder, Marion, Co.		BR	4	40	8	26 00	7 85	33 85	75
Totals	6 Agents		25	173	109	\$300 25	\$50 25	\$350 00	\$56 55

Virginia, Week Ending Nov. 17, 1916									
S. N. Wilmer, Bedford Co.		BR	5	35	15	49 00	6 75	55 75	
J. M. Wright, Norfolk Co.		BFL	5	19	10	19 50		19 50	
Edward White, Halifax Co.		BR	5	39	13	39 00		39 00	
Mrs. Fussell, Henrico Co.		OSD	3	15	130	32 50		32 50	32 50
Totals	4 Agents		18	108	168	\$100 00	\$6 75	\$106 75	\$32 50

Chesapeake, Week Ending Nov. 17, 1916									
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co. Md.		BR	4	34	7	22 00	10 75	32 75	4 25
C. R. Hare, Cecil Co.		PPF	5	40	19	33 00	2 00	40 00	
W. H. Wilcox, Baltimore Co.		HM	3	22	14	36 00	12 25	48 25	75
Totals	3 Agents		12	96	40	\$96 00	\$25 00	\$121 00	\$5 00

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending Nov. 17, 1916

Wm. P. Hess, Chester Co.	BF	4	38	32	48 00		48 00
Wm. P. Hess, Chester Co.	BF	5	41	20	34 00		34 00
W. B. Dunkinson, Wayne Co.	PPF	5	51			230 25	
Chas. Booth, Northampton Co.	DR	5	40	4	12 00	2 85	14 85
Totals	3 Agents		19 170	56	\$94 00	\$2 85	\$96 85 \$230 25

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending Nov. 17, 1916

A. Brownlee, Wash. Co.	PPF	5	49		2 00	31 30	33 30	92 55
Geo. Buttermore, Greene Co.	BR	3	29	1	3 00		3 00	54 95
Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.	CK	3	25	9	13 50	10 00	23 50	
Abigah Dunn, Allegheny Co.	OSD	1	9	8	4 00		4 00	2 50
John Morley, Venango Co.	BR	3	15	11	36 00	1 00	37 00	25
B. Riemann, Allegheny Co.	GC	2	11	2	8 00	13 00	21 00	2 75
Mrs. Thurman, Allegheny Co.	OSD	2		10	50	2 50	3 00	25
C. E. Will, Washington Co.	GC	5	50	1	3 00		50	51 00
Miscellaneous	Mag	4	19			6 95	6 95	6 95
Totals	9 Agents		28 202	42	\$70 00	\$65 25	\$135 25	\$208 45

Ohio, Week Ending Nov. 17, 1916

R. DeGarmo, Medina Co.	HM	5	50	21	42 00	11 50	53 50	
W. H. Smith, Holmes Co.	BR	5	45	2	6 00	4 00	10 00	
Chas. Carter, Clinton Co.	BR	5	43	18	58 00	3 75	61 75	75
Fred Hannah, Belmont Co.	BR	5	43	5	15 00	10 50	25 50	13 50
W. S. Syphers, Clark Co.	BR	5	42	14	44 00	5 25	49 25	75
George Carter, Clinton Co.	BR	5	41	8	27 00	3 00	30 00	1 50
P. A. Franks, Hancock Co.	BR	5	40	8	24 00	4 50	28 50	75
E. E. Goodrich, Champaign Co.	BR	5	39	1	4 00	75	4 75	75
H. W. Barto, Clinton Co.	BR	5	37	14	49 00	75	49 75	1 50
L. C. Medcalf, Licking Co.	BR	5	35	12	39 00	7 50	46 50	
J. D. Fellabaum, Clark Co.		5	33			22 50	22 50	22 50
J. H. Stafford, Franklin Co.	BR	5	33	1	5 00	70	5 70	
Mrs. Kelley, Springfield	CK	5	32	19	29 50	6 90	36 40	3 00
D. McCarthy, Mahoning Co.	BR	5	31	13	40 00	1 50	41 50	7 75
Clara Weber, Springfield	CK	5	30	10	15 00	3 85	18 85	75
Mrs. Smith, Scioto Co.	CK	5	28	9	14 50	22 25	36 75	2 25
R. H. Patterson, Greene Co.	BR	3	26	4	14 00	3 00	17 00	75
Will Price, Toledo,	BR	4	25	6	20 00	10 75	30 75	1 75
H. C. Nelson, Athens Co.	BR	3	22					28 00
Frank Fultz, Adams Co.	BR	3	14					1 50
Mrs. Stafford, Columbus	BR	3	7			1 00	1 00	5 00
Totals	21 Agents		96 696	165	\$446 00	\$123 95	\$569 95	\$99 75

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Washington Missionary College

News Notes

Elder and Mrs. B. M. Heald visited at the College several days last week. Elder Heald spoke at chapel Monday morning.

At the chapel period, Tuesday morning, November 21, Professor Longacre told of his experiences in the temperance work in Michigan. The Anti-Saloon League, with whom he was working, conducted a vigorous campaign preceding the election. Michigan went dry by a majority of seventy-five thousand votes.

At the present time the College students have collected one hundred eleven dollars and thirty-five cents (\$111.35) on the Harvest Ingathering Fund.

Elder I. H. Evans spoke at both the Friday evening meeting and the Sabbath morning services last week.

The Young Peoples' Leaders Band now has twenty-five members. Elder MacGuire spoke to the band Friday evening at six thirty o'clock.

The Bible Workers' Band, with Ethel Wilson as leader, took charge of the program in the Young People's Meeting, Sabbath afternoon, November 18. They discussed the founding and the work of the American Bible Society.

Columbia Union Conference Harvest Ingathering Indicator. 1916 Goal, \$25,000.

Region	Full Quota	Rec'd
West Virginia	\$ 808 00	\$ 340 52
Virginia	1733 00	560 96
Chesapeake	2446 00	371 51
West Pennsylvania	2734 00	894 72
New Jersey	3059 00	1096 73
District of Columbia	3241 00	1111 18
East Pennsylvania	3884 00	717 57
Ohio	7095 00	2265 03
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Mount Vernon Academy

We were glad to welcome in our midst the Misses Ethel White, Zita Hannah and Elsie Leef. Miss Hannah had been called home some time ago on account of illness and we are glad that she has been able to return.

Miss Loretta Lewis was called home, her mother being ill. We hope she will be able to return soon again.

Mr. W. C. Fleisher, of Pittsburgh, Pa., visited at the academy. He spoke to the young ladies at morning worship on Monday.

Elder J. H. Behrens, of Cincinnati, Ohio, in company with Pastor Howard, a Methodist minister visited the academy over Sabbath. Elder Behrens spoke at the Friday night prayer meeting and on Sabbath morning. On Saturday night he gave a stereopticon lecture on Creation and Astronomy which was enjoyed by all

The young ladies' Improvement Society held their first meeting on Sunday evening between six and seven o'clock and invited the young men. Several of the teachers and Mrs. C. E. Welch were also present. Candy was served at the close.

PROGRAM

1. Piano Duet *Humoreske*
Misses Walter and Robbins
2. Opening Remarks on Etiquette
Mrs. King
3. Paper: Proper Use of the Knife, Fork, Spoon, and Napkin.
Rose Craig

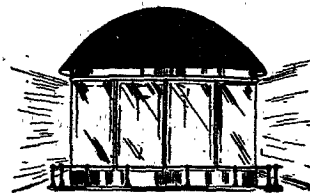
4. Duet Grandmother's Counsel
Misses Schmidt and Howard
5. Paper Duties of Host and Hostess
Hazel Read
6. Recitation Grumble Corner and
Thanksgiving Street.
Mildred Keyler
7. Question Box Conducted by Mrs. King
8. Mandolin Solo: A Dream of the South
Ethel Andre
9. Song Higher Ground
1 Cor. 10: 31.

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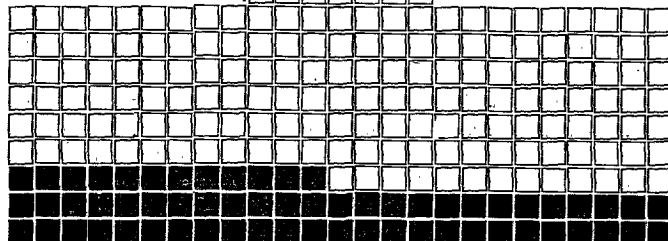
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