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

Our Harvest Ingathering Goal

Sixty thousand dollars is the goal of the Columbia Union Conference. This may seem like a large sum of money, but we must remember that we have nearly 1,000 people in this Union.

This means over \$6 per member. This amount could be raised in a few hours. If every person in the Union would go out next Sunday and work faithfully all day we could reach our goal in one day. Looking at it in this way, it does not seem like such a great task. It is because some do not work that others have to do so much more to accomplish the goal. Of course, everyone will want to do at least a little more than they did last year.

Individual goals of \$100 and \$50 seem to be very popular this year. Any experienced worker ought to be able to raise \$50 in two months if they can only work one day a week.

Last year two large churches averaged more than \$13 per member. If this record were made throughout the Union, we would raise \$130,000 instead of \$60,000. Wages are high and money is being spent for every conceivable luxury. Let us work for dollars instead of dimes. Of course, we recognize that the widow's mite given in sincerity by any who cannot do more will be stamped with the blessings of heaven.

E. R. NUMBERS.

A Suggestion

"I am learning that the less talk there is, and just telling the people what you want, the more money is given. I have learned to say this: 'Good morning, madam; I am engaged in missionary work, (Showing the magazine). I am not selling this paper or taking subscriptions, but ask-

ing for offerings for missionary work. I am sure you would like to make an offering toward this. Wouldn't you? This plan has brought me \$20.00 in one day."

Harvest Ingathering Follow Up Work

A new feature of the campaign for 1919 is the Harvest Ingathering Workers Follow Up Record. Every worker should possess one and keep a careful record of every interested person. You will find in this blank book a place for the name and address, also the nationality of interested persons, along with the kind of missionary effort that will be best adopted to their individual needs.

As a result of these records we hope to see a Harvest Ingathering of souls as well as cash in the near future

E. R. NUMBERS.

Present Truth

Special October Weekly List

All of our readers should remember that now is the time to send in subscriptions for the Present Truth Special October Weekly List. On this list will be supplied 35 of the regular seriate issues, and the subscription price will be only 30 cents. The papers will be mailed weekly. This list supplies a full, complete connected, interrelated presentation of the message. There never was, and there never will be a more favorable time for giving the message, by mail, than this list affords. The price can hardly be duplicated after this year. All subscriptions should be in by October 1.

News Notes

Under date of September 12, Brother G. H. Clark, Home Missionary Secretary of New Jersey, writes:

"If I am not mistaken, you will not have the privilege of helping us reach our \$10,000.00 goal. I think it will be reached before the date you are to be

in New Jersey.

"I understand that over \$2,000 has been paid into the conference on the Harvest Ingathering since January 1 of this year and we have probably from \$1,000 to \$1,500 more collected that has not been turned into the office. The thing is going so fast that we cannot keep up with the procession. Every day or two we hear of somebody that has collected \$10, \$25, \$55, and so on. We are organizing Sunday 'Field Days' and are having wonderful results. One of our churches has more than passed its goal and several of them have half and twothirds of their goals reached, and so it goes. It seems as though there is no limit to the possibilities of this thing. I thank the Lord that he has permitted me to have some part in arranging the work and getting others in the field, and besides that, collecting \$191.69. I feel that this is about one-third or one-fourth of what I shall get if nothing prevents. We have one young lady here who has collected nearly \$300.00."

E. R. NUMBERS.

First Ruthenian Church In America

It is with great pleasure that I pass on the news to you of the organization of the first Ruthenian church in America. The Lord is working among different nationalities here in Canada, and by His help this blessed truth reached the Ruthenian people. The work was started by the members of the English church. They gave out tracts and talked to the Ruthenian people, telling them as much as they could understand. An interest was started and as a result one young brother and wife accepted the truth and began telling the others as much as they could. Some got out their Bibles and started to read the Word of God.

Last winter, while working with them for two weeks, some started to keep the Sabbath and many more became interested. In July I went again and held meetings for two weeks, and on the second day of August I had the joy of baptizing thirty-four souls, thirty-one Ruthenians and three English. The next day we organized the first Ruthenian church in America. Elder H. H. Humann was with us and helped in the organization. Brother P. Jacovenko came from Minnesota to labor among them and we put him in as elder of the church. We hope and pray that the Lord will bless him in the work for the Ruthenians. There are yet sixteen who keep the Sabbath and are soon to be baptized.

Brethren, work for your neighbors, give them tracts in their language, and you will have stars in your crown. Pray for success in the Master's work.

T. T. BABIENCO.

-Western Canadian Tidings.

OHIO

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

Among the Ohio Churches

The Washington C. H., Wilmington, and Portsmouth Churches were visited in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering last week. These are all small churches but show good prospects of a strong campaign. Washington C. H. has set its goal at \$100 and Wilmington at \$150. At Portsmouth, where Brother French has charge of the work, we found a good company awaiting our coming. Already they have been working and with the results of the field day, that church raised the first week about \$30. On our way over to Cincinnati we stopped at Rome where Brother Fairchild and Brother Shellhaus are laboring to raise up a church. The outlook is very encouraging for a strong company in that place.

Cincinnati

This church also has a good start in its campaign and has reported over \$200. On Sunday morning 13 members gathered for a field experience and in an hour and half brought in \$26. Many in the band were inexperienced in this work and it was a pleasure to see their faces as they recounted their experiences.

On Sabbath afternoon we held an interesting meeting with the colored people of the city. They, too, have taken hold of the Harvest Ingathering work in fine shape and up to date have reported over \$75. Their goal is \$300.

E. F. HACKMAN,
Home Miss. Sec'y.
L. J. BORROWDALE,
Asst. Home Miss. Sec'y.

News Notes

Five people of the Cincinnati colored church have made their goals the first week. All of these have from \$9.00 to \$17.00.

Sister Hightower of the Springfield Church writes, "Please send us 200 more Harvest Ingathering papers. I have \$135.00. Monday I received \$40 from three different ones."

Here is what one sent:

"We are in receipt of your favor of the 2d inst., and contents of letter carefully noted.

"The writer is greatly interested in the fine work that is being done by missionaries in various fields, and we take pleasure in signing a pledge to the extent of \$25.00, to assist in this work, and are enclosing our check for that amount."

You notice this was achieved through correspondence. Brethren and sisters, this is one way to make your goal. Try it with your relations and friends.

One of our Bible workers has set her goal for \$50. The first time she went out she distributed five papers and received \$5.65. Bible workers, here is your opportunity.

Up to date the Ohio Conference has sent out 57,885 copies of the Harvest Ingathering papers.

The church school at Toledo has set its goal at \$100. Watch them make it

The Cleveland English Church repots \$200 gathered in the first week.

Mr. Holtom and his family left Mt. Vernon last Wednesday for an auto trip through the northern part of Indiana with Mr. Holtom's brother.

Miss Alice Black will have charge of the Dresden Church School this year.

Brother C. F. Robinson has begun working in Pickaway County. His first report shows a sale of \$74.50 worth of message filled books in 29 hours. He set his goal for \$100.00 for his second week.

Sabbath, September 13, Elder Heckman spoke to the Mt. Vernon Church.

Testimony Corner

"And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the Lord be my God; and this stone which I have set for a pillar shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee." Vol. IV p. 464.

"Jacob made his vow while refreshed by the dews of grace, and invigorated by the presence and assurance of God. After the divine glory had passed away, he had temptations, like men in our time; but he was faithful to his vow, and would not harbor thoughts as to the possibility of being released from the pledge which he had made. He might have reasoned much as men do now, that this revelation was only a dream, that he was unduly excited when he made his vow, and that therefore it need not be kept; but he did not.

"Long years intervened before Jacob dared to returned to his own country; but when he did, he faithfully discharged his debt to his Master. He had become a wealthy man, and a very large amount of property passed from his possessions to the treasury of the Lord.

"Many in our day fail where Jocob made a success. Those to whom God has given the greatest amount have the strongest inclination to retain what they have, because they must give a sum proprotionate to their property. Jacob gave the tenth of all that he had, and then reckoded the use of the tenth, and gave the Lord the benefit of that which he had used for his own interest during the time he was in a heathen land, and could not pay his vow. This was a large amount, but he did not hesitate; that which he had vowed to God he did not regard as his, but as the Lord's."

Vol. IV p. 466.

Mr. H. E. Garrade is away on his vacation.

Brother George Carter has just returned from the canvassing field to begin his school work. He finished strong, selling \$227.25 worth his last week. He set his goal for \$1,500 when he started canvassing, but soon raised it to \$2,000, and then went beyond that goal about \$1.00. In his last delivery of over \$800 worth of books he delivered three more books than he had orders for.

A new church school has been opened at Zanesville with Miss Florence Hartsock as teacher.

Elder Heckman left last week for Newark, Portsmouth, Rome and Cincinnati.

The colporteurs are getting fairly started at their work since camp meeting; still, there are a large number who have not yet gotten into action. Let us pray that not only these may begin the sounding of the message in the fields appointed them to warn, but that a large number of others may volunteer for the service.

We were sorry to learn of the death of Sister Walters, the mother of Miss Ida Walters, of Columbus.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

812 Washington Loan & Trust Bldg. E. Harter, Pres. E. L Workman, Sec.

The Colored Tent Work in Washington, D. C.

On June 29 we started the tent work for the summer about three squares from the lot used last year, located in a very respectable neighborhood in north west Washington. Lots along prominent thoroughfares are hard to obtain in this city, and the strict police requirement to secure signers from five whole blocks about the tent location makes the start difficult. But we can assure our friends and brethren that the Lord is still strong for this city, and is giving us strength to find the jewels that are here for his crown. We are on our sixth week of subjects and, we see an increase of nearly thirty-five new believers. With last years effort the church doubled its membership and with the earnest prayer of the faithful we hope to double it again. In tithes and offerings and monies raised to pay on the church debt, the believers have raised in the last six months \$4500.

Regarding the tent work this summer, we would say that never have we seen any greater interest to know the message for the day. The same large crowds are out every night. On Sunday nights the tent is filled and many standing during all the service. We need your prayers to always remain humble and willing workers for God. Satan is so busy in this city, ready to provoke, then to attempt to exhalt us, and we see the need of remaining close to the feet of the Master. We are sure that any soul brought in by simply relying upon personal ability to win such will result in the probable turning back of such a one. So that our work might be everlasting

the full tent force have resolved to place themselves anew in God's hands to be used of him to his glory. Pray for the work in this city, that it may be brought up to the place where it can shine forth as never before.

G. P. RODGERS.

WEST VIRGINIA

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

News Notes

A very important conference comittee meeting was held in Parkersburg, September 11.

Elder Westbrook met with the Charleston Church Sabbath September 13.

Elder J. S. Washburn, who has been laboring in Charleston for several months, has returned to his field of labor in East Pennsylvania.

Brother Guy Corder has accepted the position as teacher of the Charleston School.

Several of the canvassers have been in the office the past week enroute to the schools. We wish them every success as they take up their winter work.

Brother Guinn has been called to Missouri on account of the illness of his sister.

Brother Bertolet and Brother Ernest Mansell are closing their summer's work in the field preparing to enter one of our schools.

On September 1 the Harvest Ingathering work started in our conference. The Huntington Church gathered \$180.00 the first week, and Morgautown \$66.33. The other churches are all working. Let us be faithful in doing our part and receive the blessing that comes to each one who takes part in this important work. Have you gathered in your \$10.00 yet? Let us hasten.

During the month of July the book sales in our conference were over \$14,000. This almost equals the book sales for the entire year of 1915. Surely the spirit of the Lord is moving the hearts of the people that they may be without excuse in that day.

The West Virginia Conference in eight months went over her yearly goal of \$40,000 in the book work. Who says that West Virginia is not a good place to sell books? If any one would like to engage in this soul saving work write to Brother John McHenry, Cor. 3rd. and Juliana Sts., Parkersburg, West Va.

Remember our next Thirteenth Sabbath Offering comes on September 27. Let us make this the largest offering in our history. May it be a dollar day with every one in our conference. We know there are those who can make it \$5.00. The needy mission fields are calling. Mark your offering Sabbath School. All the money given to our Sabbath schools goes to missions.

Sister Marcella Clark will teach the school at Rio, West Virginia this winter. She has given up public school work to teach in our own schools. Who else will enter the service of the Lord?

NEW JERSEY

200 Columbus Ave.

Trenton

W. C. Moffett, Pres. E. J. Stipeck, Sec.

Report of Tent Efforts

Now that the tent meetings are closing, it will be interesting to our people in New Jersey to know the outcome. Brother Holman and Brother and Sister Frank Williams report twelve prospective members at Pleasantville. One interesting feature of the work there is that the tent was blown down three times.

The Swedish effort in Montclair, conducted by Brother J. A. Swenson, assisted by Brother L. Fellman and Sister Signe Jensen, reports sixteen new Sabbath keepers on the first call for Sabbath services, where hitherto we have had nothing.

Word just received from Elder Baum is to the effect that there are twenty-one prospective Sabbath keepers as a result of the tent effort at Newark. And on the closing Sabbath of the effort conducted by Elder O. O. Bernstein and Elder P. F. Richard in Jersey City, about twenty new Sabbath keepers were in attendance at the English and German churches and others arose on the call Sunday night, signifying their determination to obey the commandments of God.

Although continual rainy weather and the daylight saving law operated against the best attendance at our tent meetings, we feel deeply thankful for these results.

In addition to the results of these tent meetings people are coming into the truth in all parts of the state. Scarcely a Sabbath goes by but at some church there is a substantial addition by baptism. Everything indicates that while the world is ripening for destruction, the Lord is preparing the hearts of the people for his coming.

W. C. MOFFETT.

News Notes

Last Sunday the Trenton and Plainfield Churches each had a "Field Day," the Trenton company gathering in \$87.00 at Bristol, and the Plainfield people, assisted by members from Elizabeth, gathering in \$50.00.

Sister Ruth Leslie has been blessed in getting a total of \$300.00 through the medium of the Harvest Ingathering magazines this fall.

Brother G. H. Clark, our energetic home missionary secretary, has already turned in \$196.00 and is just getting warmed up.

To date the Paterson English Church has led in the Ingathering work with a total reported to the middle of September of \$650.00.

The Trenton Church has already gathered \$455.00.

VIRGINIA

12 W. Main St., Richmond

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

News Notes

Newport News, the first school of our conference to open, has Miss Fahrner in charge. There are 21 pupils enrolled.

The Newport News Sabbath School is so interested in their offerings that it has set a Sabbath a month apart as dollar day. Even the little ones bring in their dollars for missions.

The Portsmouth Church No. 2 are remodeling their school as they have outgrown their present quarters.

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The Portsmouth Sabbath School has a fine class taking the "Teacher's Training Course." They plan on efficient teachers. Not one member was late for Sabbath School last week.

Elder J. A. Leland is visiting our churches at Mayberry and Independence. These companies were raised by Elder W. E. Bidwell last summer.

A second effort in Roanoke is being held by Elder L. O. Gordon, assisted by C. E. Overstreet. The interest is not quite so good as was manifested at the first effort but souls are taking their stand for the truth.

Miss Florence Swan has recently located in Roanoke where she will assist in the effort there.

F. E. Hankins has recently moved his family to New Market.

We have just received word that over twenty young people will attend the Shenandoah Valley Academy from Newport News Church.

Vertis Hankins is acting as tent master for the Newport News effort being conducted by Elder W. E. Bidwell.

Elder H. H. Votaw of Washington spent several Sabbaths recently with the Richmond Church.

Work is already under way on the new buildings at the Academy. This will be greatly needed to take care of the increased enrolment this year, and it is expected the building will be ready for occupancy within a few months.

We have on hand a good supply of assorted scripture post cards. Price 1c each.

Only three months in which to reach the goal for the Missionary Volunteer societies.

The Sabbath School department will issue Liberty Bonds this quarter to each member or visitor who will give \$1.00 or more toward the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. While the government pays its interest for Liberty Bonds in cash, the Lord promises us that all we do for the salvation of souls will by no means go unrewarded. So let all, even the children, plan to give an offering, which will entitle them to the new Sabbath School Bonds.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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

York

We have just closed our tent effort here which lasted about six weeks. The first week was held in a downpour of rain, day and night it seemed, but since that time ideal weather was experienced. The Lord has been with us from the first and has given us souls. There are nine Sabbath keepers six of whom have asked for baptism. Associated with us as workers are, Brother A. Hansen, a colporteur of New Jersey who is devoting his time to Bible work; Sister Anna Detwiler, a young student of Washington College, and Brother Harry Minier. These workers are meeting with good success. We shall begin meetings in another section of the city at once and desire the prayers of God's people.

F. D. GAUTERAU.

News Notes

Very encouraging reports are coming into the office regarding the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Many have already gathered from \$5.00 to \$100.00. This is as it should be, for no one knows what minute a local strike will come to your town or city which would hinder the work. Medical authorities also state that the possibilities are that the influenza epidemic will re-visit the country. Let us do our work before these barriers come. Remember our conference goal is \$12,000, which means at least \$7.10 per member.

Brother and Sister Gauker left the office September 12 and will travel in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. On their first trip they will visit Reading, Danville, Bloomsburg, Northumberland, Williamsport, Roaring Branch, Sayre, Orwell, Tunkhannock and Wade.

They are endeavoring to help each company a day or two in the field.

From the tent in West Philadelphia the report comes of thirty-eight souls keep the Sabbath and a large interest. The meetings will close Sunday night, September 21, and as soon as a theater can be obtained, Brethren Fries and McCord will start a winter's effort.

The Media Church School started last week, also the one at West Philadelphia. Miss Mabel Mac Nichol is in charge of the former and Miss Virginia Shull the latter. Prospects are bright for the future of these schools.

Elder Fries has been busy searching for a location for the North Philadelphia Church School. As yet nothing has been found.

The new edition of "Steps to Christ" is ready for mailing. The book resembles the former khaki edition in size and appearance with the exception of the cover, which is green. It is very neat and suitable for carrying. The price is twenty-five cents.

There will be a special October list of Present Truth which will include all Present Truth numbers from 1 to 48, excepting five war numbers, and will be mailed weekly. The price of each subscription is 35 papers for 38

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Orders are accepted from August 1 to October 30. Designate each order "October List".

Mount Vernon Academy

The chapel was well filled on the morning of the opening of school. A short time was given to the speeches by Elder Heckman and Prof. Stone. The general spirit among the students was one of determination to prepare for a place in the work of saving souls.

The first vesper service was held for the dormitory students in the chapel on Wednesday evening. The attendance showed that there are more students in the dormitory this year than ever before. Prof. Tonjes led the service in which a number of the students took part. It was interesting to note the large number who have entered for the first time, one of our schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hamilton have gone to the Orlando Sanitarium where Mr. Hamilton is to work in the office

The funeral services for Sister Clymer were held in the chapel on Wednesday afternoon, September 17. Sister Clymer had lived near the Academy for a number of years, during which time she was a friend to many of the students.

Advertisements

Wanted: Two good strong women from thirty to forty years of age to work in bath and treatment rooms. While it is desireable to have some one who has had training in that line, any one who is apt and anxions to learn will be accept-

able. In answering state age, weight and whether single or married.

U. E. Whiteis, 131 E, State St, Columbus, Ohio.

WANTED: Man and wife to take charge of a 20-acre farm near Baltimore, Md. Farm is equipped with farming utensils, horse, cow, chickens, 75 peach trees in bearing, 100 young apple trees coming in bearing, strawberries, raspberries and blackberries bearing. Will furnish everything and give half of the proceeds to the parties who take cnarge of it. The parties must come recommended and be workers and Schath keepers. Address, R. Finnell, 1504 W. Fayette St., Baltimore, Md.

Wanted: A settled woman for light housework in a small Adventist home. A good home and good wages. Mrs. Van Sciver, 622 L. Street, S. W., Washington, D. C.

SAFETY RAZOR blades sharpened by new process, which makes a smooth, keen edge, giving satisfaction. Single edge, 25 cents a doz.; Gillettes, 35 cents a doz.; Durham Duplex or Sexto; 45 cents a doz.; \$1 sharpens $4\frac{1}{2}$ doz. single edge, $3\frac{1}{4}$ doz. Gillettes, $2\frac{1}{2}$ Durham Duplex or Sexto. Wrap blades well; enclose money with order. New York Edge Co.,

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Wanted: A good strong woman or girl to work in a children's home. Address Mrs. S. L. Brenner, 545 E. Buchtel Ave., Akron, Ohio.

For Sale: To help Charleston, W.Va. Church. Four building lots in Norfolk, Va., the New York of the South, where prices are advancing rapidly. A large part of sale price to be given to Charleston Church, by the present owner, Prof. F. A. Smith, 1201 Washington St., Charleston, West Virginia, or write to Elder R. T. Farley 205 Duncan St., Norfolk, Virginia.

Wanted: An eldery Adventist woman looking for a home, to care for middle-aged widower and son six years old. References exchanged. Geo. T. B. Unger, Emaus, Pa.

FOR SALE: To help Charleston, W. Va., Church. A farm of 66 acres, one mile from Hu fington, county seat of Carroll County Tenn. Good 3 room. house, 2 porche, good barn and sheds, unfailing well, 1 st corn and cotton land, 15 acres woodland. To be sold for \$2200.00, at a sacrifice in order to denote large sum to Charleston Church. For further particulars write the owner Mrs. Lenora M. Sargent, 199 Summers Ave. Charleston, West Virginia.



Practical Christianity

Hunt out the lovable in everyone and be ready to call attention to that rather than to the disagreeable.

Reform by a process of addition of virtues rather than subtraction of vices. Develop a mans' better qualities or higher nature and just to that extent do you wage effective warfare on the evil in his life, which you would dislodge. Overcome evil with good.

What is wrong for one man may not be wrong for another—"Be fully persuaded in your own mind."

If you ever expect to do any work, don't wait until you are perfect before you begin; "A man who never makes mistakes never makes anything else," while a sincere stumbler may still do much for others. The more he does the less he will stumble.

"An idle soul shall suffer hunger."

"Don't take your Christianity from other Christians."

"Christianity consists not in being good, but in getting better."

"Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason for the hope that is in you."

FOR RENT OR SALE:—Four miles southeast of Smithburg, Md., five room house and 28 acres, 10 of which are tilable, balance in timber. Near the house is a never failing spring. Address Mary E. Cline, Smithsburg, Md., Rural Route No. 4.

WANTED: Money, to help to finish the new church in Charleston, the capital of West Virginia. A neat, modest church building, pebble-dash, in the best part of the city. Fine lot, excellent situation, Lot, church building, with church school, to cost \$11,000.00. Very cheap, considering present prices of labor and building material. Building, more than half finished. Received to date **\$**7369.52. We must have in order to dedicate without debt, \$3630.48. Who will send us an offering? Any sum from \$1.00 up to \$1,000.00. We recently received from a brother living outside the Columbia Union, the sum of \$1,000.00 for this purpose. Who will make a willing offering today, for the house of the Lord in the capital city of the smallest conference in the East? If you can not give, loan any sum without interest until the dedication of the church? Send to J. S. Washburn, 424, Dickinson St., Charleston, W. Va.