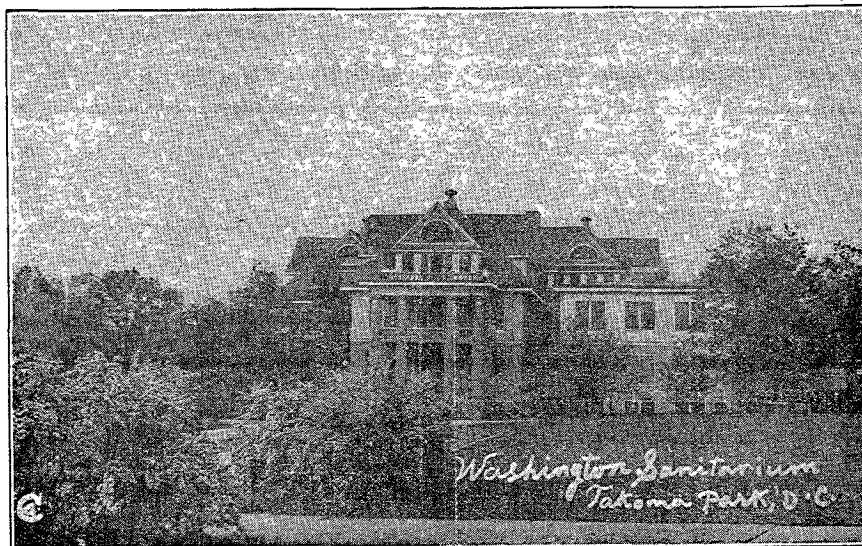


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THE CARPENTER OF GALILEE

To me it has always been a matter of peculiar interest that Jesus was a carpenter, a builder. When He was with the Father, before He took upon Him our human nature, He was the great architect, the builder of the universe. When He became a man He was, until thirty years of age, a carpenter. Mark 6:3. He was a carpenter much longer than a preacher and healer. He glorified labor, physical labor. He who had

Built the Heavens

He who is now building and preparing mansions in heaven for us, while on earth, with hands weary and toil-worn, builded houses for the sinners of poor, wicked Nazareth. How important that our young people should be taught the valuable trade at which Jesus of Nazareth worked so long and faithfully.

To our missionaries, to know the art of building is invaluable, indispensable. In Washington Missionary College the trade of the wood-worker and the carpenter has been taught from the beginning. In fact the buildings were erected with the help of student labor. Brother E. C. Wood, the

Director of Carpentry

and wood-work came in the early days of the school and has been connected with this department of Washington Missionary College for twelve years. He is a practical and artistic builder, as some of the buildings and additions to the college buildings bear eloquent testimony. With him is associated Professor F. L. Chaney who has had a successful experience in one of our largest colleges in teaching this important

trade. He has a large class of students of all ages who are working with real enjoyment, actually making all manner of useful articles in wood. I know of one faithful student at least, who is entirely

Paying His Way

through the school working in this department. Others are finding it a help in their expenses. As in the Printing department of which we wrote last week, there are almost unlimited opportunities for development and helpfulness in the Woodwork and Carpentry department of Washington Missionary College. We are hoping to be able to give a more complete statement later on. Surely every one who reads the Visitor believes in this kind of an education, and will gladly

Help the College

to teach other important trades. We print a brief list of pledges to the College Fund, and believe every one of our loyal people will gladly pledge or give cash to make the College all the Lord has said it should be. You can have one or even two years on these pledges.

Pledges reported up to date	\$9,725 00
Mrs. G. W. Hunt	50.00
Emma Mallatt	25.00
Ethel Miller	25.00
Anna Patterson	25.00
Dorothy Plummer	25 00
Alberta Rutledge	25.00
Ruby Richmond	25.00
Total reported to date	\$9,925.00

The above are all students with one exception. To some one who reads this appeal God is saying,

"Give \$1,000

to this great work."

J. S. Washburn, Field Representative, Box 40, North Hall, Washington Missionary College, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.



STATISTICAL REPORTS DECEMBER 31, 1923

God has abundantly blessed and prospered His people during the year 1923 as the accompanying reports reveal, and we are glad to publish these encouraging records in this issue of the Visitor.

Our tithe amounting to \$538,246 is the largest ever received, and exceeds the tithe paid by the entire denomination for the year 1900.

Our mission offerings amounting to \$298,082.24 for the year, passed all previous records and exceeds the amount contributed by the entire denomination for the year 1909.

We have struck the hour of big things and the stage is set for the speedy finishing of the work. Study the figures in these reports, they are interesting. If you have failed to have a part in this good work, determine now to contribute your full share during the year 1924 and assist in every way possible to make this year the best of all.

E. J. Stipeck, Treasurer.



GIVING GOSPEL LITERATURE THE RIGHT OF WAY

The story is told of a Korean lady of great wealth, beautifully gowned in shining linen and soft silk, who stopped her sedan chair outside a bookstore in the Korean city of An Dong. A friend stopped to speak with her, and said:

"I have just been buying some books to take home with me to give away to my unbelieving neighbors."

"Where are the books?" I asked.

"In the chair," was the reply. And one of the chair coolies, with a very disgusted look upon his face, raised the chair curtain, and behold! The chair was packed full of Mark's gospels, tracts, and hymn-books!

"But," I said, "the chair is full; you cannot get in."

"That's no matter," she laughed. "It's only thirty li (fifteen miles), and I can walk."

The chair coolies were bidden to take up the chair, and they did so rather gruntingly, and the lady followed, walking with her woman servant, her face beaming with pleasure, and smiling "good-by." Only those who know what riding in a chair stands for among Korean women can appreciate the sacrifice in this story. "To leave the city of An Dong on foot when she might ride!" exclaimed a bystander.

Such is the example of sacrifice and disregard of national customs involving ridicule and scorn which a woman, transformed from heathenism to Christianity, has left on record. Are we willing to sacrifice as much in order to place gospel literature in the hands of our unbelieving neighbors and friends? This Korean woman did not consider her task finished, or her duty done, when she had selected and paid for this large quantity of gospel literature, but gladly endured inconveniences and bodily fatigue for the sake of personally placing this literature in the hands of her people.

In America we know nothing of the restriction of
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SIXTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND, DECEMBER 31, 1923

Conf.	Memb.	Amt. at \$31.20	Rec'd 1923	Amt. Short	Amt. Over	Per Capita 1923 1922
Ches.	1375	\$ 42900.00	\$ 23454.81	\$19445.19		\$.328 \$.39
D. C.	1523	47517.60	47517.60			.60 .60
E. Pa.	1715	53508.00	56342.55		2834.55	.632 .43
N. J.	1479	46144.80	43056.34	3088.46		.56 .52
Ohio	3022	94286.40	75557.29	18729.11		.48 .48
Va.	742	22308.00	11511.66	10796.34		.298 .29
West Pa.	1263	39405.60	25176.49	14229.11		.383 .36
W. Va.	337	10514.40	11465.50		951.10	.654 .64
Totals	11456	\$356584.80	\$294082.24	\$66288.21	\$3785.65	\$.494 \$.463



COMPARATIVE TITHE REPORT, DECEMBER 31, 1923

Conference	Memb.	Received 1922	Received 1923	Increase
Chesapeake	1375	\$ 46305.40	\$ 50470.70	\$ 4165.30
District of Columbia	1523	85063.50	96942.30	11878.80
East Pennsylvania	1715	65671.00	82788.50	17117.50
New Jersey	1479	67623.70	77976.20	10352.50
Ohio	3022	118531.20	138809.30	20278.10
Virginia	742	20078.90	22900.60	2821.70
West Pennsylvania	1263	41654.90	47365.40	5710.50
West Virginia	337	16530.80	20993.00	4462.20
Totals	11456	\$461459.40	\$538246.00	\$76786.60



COMPARATIVE SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT, DEC. 31, 1923

Conference	Memb.	Received 1922	Received 1923	Per Cap.
Chesapeake	1375	\$ 10320.33	\$ 11539.19	\$.16
District of Columbia	1523	20616.83	22227.25	.28
East Pennsylvania	1715	18186.82	25130.26	.28
New Jersey	1479	16134.79	18411.35	.24
Ohio	3022	34453.95	39558.82	.25
Virginia	742	7307.88	6930.69	.18
West Pennsylvania	1263	9659.46	13411.12	.20
West Virginia	337	5659.15	5768.16	.33
Totals	11456	\$122339.26	\$142976.84	\$.24



COMPARATIVE HARVEST INGATHERING REPORT, DEC. 31, 1923

Conference	Received 1922	Received 1923	Gain	Loss
Chesapeake	\$ 9918.22	\$ 8229.30	\$	\$1688.92
District of Columbia	13314.13	11811.10		1503.03
East Pennsylvania	15246.35	17871.73	2625.38	
New Jersey	15409.48	16595.47	1185.99	
Ohio	22471.99	22066.58		405.41
Virginia	3087.28	2825.70		261.58
West Pennsylvania	7532.00	7049.05		482.95
West Virginia	3699.27	3743.44	44.17	
Totals	\$90,678.72	\$90192.37	\$3855.54	\$4341.89

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the sedan chair and customs which would tend to prevent service on the part of Christians. Our truth-filled literature can be carried anywhere, in large quantities, at very small expense, due to Uncle Sam's ample mailing facilities; but it is the personal sacrifice, and the love for souls accompanying the distribution of the printed page which adds to its effectiveness.

The General Conference Committee has sanctioned the setting apart of two weeks early in 1924—January 20 to February 2—when the Signs of the Times shall have the right of way in the missionary arena. Let the missionary committee of each church begin now to lay plans to see that the "sedan chair" of the missionary society is filled with Signs clubs and subscriptions; and let every Christian who is rejoicing in the blessed hope of the third angel's message stand ready to walk fifteen miles, or more if necessary, to get the literature into the homes of unbelieving neighbors, relatives and friends. Let all plan to send the truth-filled literature through the mails, carry it in the automobile and scatter it here and there along the way, hand it out from door to door on the streets, distribute it on the steamboats that ply the waters, place it with those behind prison bars, and in institutions where are found the aged, the sick and suffering, and also, in specially prepared form, with those who are blind. In every way possible let us scatter the printed page of truth, remembering 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."

General Conference Home Missionary Dept.

Ohio

A GREAT FORWARD MOVEMENT

The fourth day of January, Brother Kirk, the Field Missionary Secretary of the Columbia Union Conference, and the writer started out on a trip to visit a few of the large churches in the Ohio Conference.

The first place visited was the Toledo church. Friday evening Brother Kirk made a deep impression upon the minds of our people, by the use of the stereopticon. The slides thrown upon the screen were a great help in strengthening the conviction in the minds of all that the publishing work is a mighty agency in the prosecution of the message of Christ's soon return. The good service of Friday evening prepared the way for a blessed experience meeting on the Sabbath. When a call was made at the conclusion of the service, sixty-seven brethren and sisters responded, to dedicate a part of their time to the circulation of gospel literature. Four or five of this number plan to attend the institute, and thus consecrate all of their time to placing message-filled books in the homes of the people. This splendid response came about largely through Elder Townsend's faithful efforts and generous promise to assist the writer in establishing the large number of volunteer workers. In the near future Brother Townsend and I will spend a week or so in assisting these workers in getting started with our small books. The Lord, by His Spirit, came very near the Toledo church, in spite of the severe winter weather, impressing them with the importance and solemnity of the hour and also the great need of going forth quickly to labor in the Lord's vineyard.

From Toledo we journeyed on to Cleveland, where

we met with the church Sunday and Monday evening. Though only a small representation of the Cleveland church was present, owing to the severity of the weather, still the results of these meetings were most satisfactory. Several made arrangements to attend the institute. One young man and his family are sacrificing a \$50 per week situation in order to engage in the work while the opportunity lingers to save perishing souls. It was also a great source of inspiration to us to find Brother McCampbell of good courage and doing excellent work with our publications. Many of our brethren of the Cleveland church would do well to follow in the footsteps of Brother McCampbell.

We greatly appreciated the faithful, enthusiastic efforts of Elder Schwartz in cooperating with us toward realizing as large a number of recruits as possible from the Cleveland church.

Our next stop was at Akron. Here we found an enthusiastic company of believers under the able leadership of Pastor Lindsay. We were entertained for the night at the home of Brother and Sister Douglas. We were caused to greatly rejoice as we listened to the remarkable experiences of God's providences leading in the life of Brother Douglas, both before he began the observance of the Sabbath and after he entered the colporteur work. Our prayer is that others of the Akron church will be led to engage in the colporteur work, though the effort may call for an unreserved surrender of every earthly ambition.

From Akron we went to Youngstown where we were very hospitably cared for in Elder Gordon's home. The attendance at the church was very gratifying indeed and the Spirit of the Lord came near and impressed hearts as Brother Kirk emphasized the sacredness of the gospel colporteur work. It seemed good to the writer to meet for the first time Brethren Daily and Gibbons. These men are doing most excellent work in warning the large community in and around Youngstown. May the Lord put it into the hearts of more of His followers to follow the noble calling to which these two workers have consecrated their lives.

Our next stop was at Mt. Vernon, from which place we accompanied Elder Ashton to Columbus. In spite of a heavy downfall of rain, a fair representation of the Columbus church was out. After a stirring appeal from the conference president, hearts were impressed as to the sacredness and importance of the ministry of the word through the means of the printed page. We confidently believe that a goodly number of brethren and sisters in the Columbus church will dedicate their lives to the high calling of the evangelistic colporteur.

Friday evening Brother Kirk emphasized the development of, and the providential leadings in the colporteur work, to a fine gathering of our people in the Cincinnati church. At the close of the service it was very apparent that a deep interest had been awakened on the part of many in this line of endeavor.

Sabbath a call was made for men and women to surrender their lives to the circulation of the printed page. From the results of these two meetings it is confidently expected that several will take their places with those who are now diligently engaged in placing our books and papers in the homes of the people.

We appreciated the effort of Elder Marietta in appealing for more full-time Christian colporteur salesmen. It was also a pleasure to meet Brethren Craig and Alexander who are doing such faithful work with our larger publications. It was, indeed, a privilege to visit the homes of these two men and their families, who are setting such a commendable example in the way of full time and securing results in sales and precious souls interested. Brother Alexander is not the strongest man

physically, but he has set his goal at 1,800 hours for 1924. Brother Craig is sixty-eight years of age, but stops for neither rain nor shine. He is at his job every available minute. I thought, Oh, that God might raise up more workers who would feel as earnestly for souls and regard the value of time as these men do!

Brother Kirk and I feel very deeply gratified over the results of this brief and limited itinerary. We are confident that God will impress fifty or more suitable consecrated workers to engage in this line of soul-saving endeavor at a very early date.

E. M. Fishell.

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Spirit-Filled Men and Women Wanted

West Pennsylvania

NEWS NOTES

Reader, have you told your neighbors and friends, who are studying their Sunday school lessons for the first quarter, what a wonderful help the book "Patriarchs and Prophets" would be to them? If you haven't, remember to mention this, if possible, in your next conversation.

The price of the cloth binding is \$5.50; to our members it is \$3.30. The book has been re-illustrated and it is beautiful in appearance as well as in the truth it contains.

Elder Robbins visited Corry and Indiana last week. His visit to Indiana was mainly to look over the possibilities of a public effort shortly after the Columbia Union Conference Session, January 31 to February 7.

He assisted Corry in their election of officers for the new year.

We regret to report that the amount solicited last year in the Harvest Ingathering campaign was \$482.95 less than in 1922.

The total amount for 1923 was \$7,049.05 or \$5.59 per member.

Let us start now and solicit for 1924. Churches having 1923 papers can use these and thus reach their new quota early in the year and possibly go over it.

The Conference Committee appreciates very much the cooperation of our people and their liberality in answering calls for funds. The sacrifice offering for missions called for during the early part of December amounted to \$1,632.47.

Our Sixty-cent-a-week Fund for 1923 amounted to 39 cents per member. The total received was \$25,176.49. What shall it be for 1924?

Sister Whitling, who has had an operation at the Washington Sanitarium, is reported to be progressing very well. We are glad to hear this and pray she will continue to improve.

Are you increasing the volumes of your library? A man is known by the books he reads. Send to the tract society for a new catalogue of publications.

District of Columbia

NEWS NOTES

Professor A. W. Spalding visited the Sligo church on Sabbath, January 12, preaching a sermon on Sabbath-keeping which was greatly appreciated.

Doctor George W. Morrow, a representative of the Anti-Saloon League, which held its National Convention in Washington from January 12 to 16, spoke at the Takoma Park church. The response of the congregation to his appeal was a liberal one.

Professor W. W. Prescott, who is conducting Bible studies in the chapel of the Review and Herald, is encouraged by the constantly increasing attendance.

The Columbia Union Conference Quadrennial Session is to be held in Takoma Park, January 31 to February 7. Those who are in the position to furnish rooms for delegates should notify Elder C. E. Andross at the Union Conference office. An allowance of fifty cents per night will be made.

A Young People's Rally was held January 12 at the Capitol Hill church. There was a large attendance, nearly every society of the District of Columbia being represented. At the roll call the leader of each Missionary Volunteer Society spoke on the work done by his society for the past year and the plans for the New Year.

The Takoma Park church has made an excellent showing during the past year. We quote from a recent calendar as follows:

"Our financial statement for 1923 gives a grand total contributed for all purposes of \$62,278.60. The tithe is recorded at \$32,562.40. Our offerings to foreign missions were \$16,309.55, exceeding our goal by \$4,297.77. To the above amount may be added \$475.43 contributed to Near East Relief, \$389.31 to Japanese Relief, and \$948.50 to temperance work, making a total of \$18,822.79 for missionary purposes.

Our Missionary Society has expended \$1,045.06 on local missionary work, and an additional \$190.24 on clothing and meals to those in need.

Our Sabbath school offerings for the year were \$5,403.44; of this amount \$5,109.59 were for foreign missions and the remainder for the expenses of the school.

Total receipts of our Young People's Society were \$1,210.38. Of this \$225 were expended at home, while the remaining \$985.28 were given for foreign missions.

There have been eighty-nine additions to the church roll, by baptism twenty, by letter sixty-one and by profession of faith eight. The pastor and the congregation are grateful and look hopefully into the New Year.

East Pennsylvania

NEWS NOTES

Elder B. G. Wilkinson spent Sunday, January 20, with the Convention of Missionary Volunteers at Philadelphia.

Sunday, January 20, was a blessed day for our young people. Leaders and members of Missionary Volunteer Societies were present from four Philadelphia churches, from Norristown, Lansdale, Reading, Lebanon, and Allentown. The Spirit of God came preciously near and the young people departed determined to make 1924 count for God. A similar meeting is planned for the northern part of the conference.

Elder B. G. Wilkinson spent Sabbath forenoon, January 19, with the Fleetwood church and the afternoon with the Reading church.

For the year's closing record of the conference we thank the Lord. In 1923 we baptized 167 over against 85 in 1922, or a gain of 82; our tithe in 1923 was \$83,146.78 against \$65,671.00 in 1922, or a gain of \$17,475.78; our Sixty-cent-a-week Fund for 1923 was \$56,342.55 against \$41,522.92 in 1922, a gain of \$14,819.63; and in our tract society the literature sales for 1923 amounted to \$29,339.74 against \$26,900.21 for 1922, showing an increase here of \$2,439.53. Well may we praise the Lord.

Elder H. K. Christman spent Sabbath, January 19, with the Phoenixville church as Brother Ott, the elder is away at Washington. Elder Andross took charge of the meeting at the North church Philadelphia during Elder Christman's absence.

The Quadrennial Session of the Columbia Union Conference will be held at Takoma Park, D. C., beginning January 31. All the ordained ministers and the Conference Executive Committee will attend.

Another Missionary Volunteer Society—Norristown has organized the young people for service. Miss Kleuser met with the church January 12 and was pleased to present to the church their duties toward the youth and children. Norristown has a fine band of Volunteers and under the leadership of Mrs. Amos Miller we are confident that these young people will be a blessing to the conference.

The second week of their organization the Bethlehem company was made happy by a good attendance from Allentown. These new believers are growing right into the message. The Sabbath school was of special interest on that day. Elder Baierle and Miss Kleuser presented the purpose and blessings of our Sabbath schools. The lesson for the day inspired all present to improve our missionary opportunities. This company is blessed by the efficient help of Mr. William Spicer and Mrs. R. Doyle, formerly Miss Wolfinger.

"In the divine plan of education as adapted to man's condition after the fall, Christ stands as the representative of the Father, the connecting link between God and man; He is the great teacher of mankind."

New Jersey

NEWS NOTES

Elder O. O. Bernstein lectured in the Temple in New York City, Sunday evening, January 20.

Elder E. R. Numbers and Brother T. H. Barritt, of Washington, in company with Brother L. G. Nyman and Professor V. D. Hagmann, spent several days recently visiting our churches in the southern part of the state, laying plans for systematic distribution of literature and missionary campaigns.

The organization of these missionary activities in a number of our churches has been postponed, as several of our workers are delegates to the Columbia Union Conference which convenes in Washington from January 31 to February 7. This work will be launched when they return.

Many new recruits are enlisted with our regular colporteurs now in the field, entering enthusiastically upon the work of the colporteur evangelist as the result of our recent institute in Newark. Brethren Hankins and Zimmerly are kept busy helping those who have just entered the work.

Colporteurs and part-time workers, take notice that "Making Home Happy" and "Best Stories" have been advanced in price to \$1.50, effective at once.

Anyone who is not yet supplied with a Home Missionary Wall Calendar for 1924 should send in at once to the tract society. We still have a few more on hand.

The new Crisis book, "The Coming Man of Destiny," by Elder J. L. Shuler is now ready. The tract society has a good stock on hand. Order some of these to sell among your neighbors and friends.

We are glad to report that fifteen of our churches went over their goal on the Sixty-cent-a-week Fund for 1923. As a conference we did not quite reach our goal—the amount raised being an average of 56 cents per week per member, but we are of good courage, and believe that if all our members will be faithful in carrying out the plan suggested on the Sixty-cent-a-week per member pledge cards presented before our churches, New Jersey will go over the goal for 1924 with a good surplus for the needy mission fields. Let us show our faith in the speedy finishing of the message by our works.

Brother Gerald is enjoying a visit from his mother, Mrs. W. E. Gerald, of Lewiston, Maine.

The building of the Vineland church is progressing rapidly. It has now reached stage construction. Brother L. S. Parks and his men are pushing the work as rapidly as possible and it is hoped in a short time to have the building enclosed.

Bridgeton contemplates the selling of her present church property as the work there is growing and a larger and more centrally located building is essential to meet their needs. Should a suitable location be found, the proceeds from the sale of the present property would apply on the building of a new church in Bridgeton.

Virginia

NEWS NOTES

Sabbath, January 5, Sister R. Lackey, of Akron, Ohio, was a visitor at the Petersburg Sabbath school and church services. She did not come alone, but brought her brother, who had been interested in the truth years ago. Sister Lackey had lived in Petersburg years ago before accepting the truth, and had offered special prayer that a church might be raised up in this city so that her relatives would have the privilege of hearing the truth. She was busy giving the message to her old friends while here, and as a result left several interested persons who are anxious for Bible studies. A great many of our members from other cities have attended the Petersburg services while visiting in or passing through Petersburg. The weekly church notices in the local newspaper have helped them to locate the meeting hall. So, why not have all our churches put their notices in the daily papers so that strangers in the city may attend the services.

Brother Lennie E. Tucker, of Washington Missionary College, spent the Christmas holiday with his parents at Beach, and attended the services at the Petersburg church while home, and gave valuable help to the Sabbath school.

The Nurses' class of the Richmond No. 1 church is at the office today taking their final examination. There are only four who have completed the course. They are Mrs. A. M. Neff, leader; Mrs. Inez Minor; Mrs. Alice Stone, and Mrs. S. W. Davis.

"The Coming Man of Destiny" is now off the press and ready for distribution. This new crisis book is written by John L. Shuler the author of several of the other crisis books. Order from your tract society, 604 Front Street, Highland Park, Richmond, Virginia.

We, as a conference, have decided to give what is equal to a second tithe for missionary purposes and since many of our brethren and sisters live on farms and do not handle money each week as do those in the cities we have distributed a pledge card which asks that they give the proceeds from the sale of such articles as the following: Cows, sheep, horses, etc., the person to specify how many of these articles he or she will donate. We are hoping to see a good response from these cards and see the funds for missions during 1924 mount up much higher than they did in 1923.

"DRAWING NEARER"

Yes, nearer, and still nearer,
The advent of our King;
The dawn is growing clearer;
Loud let your praises your ring.

The way-marks are nigh past;
He's even at the door.
Be sure your anchor's fast,
Then joy forevermore.

—George S. Lord.

West Virginia

NEWS NOTES

West Virginia welcomes back within her borders Brother Howard E. Province and family. Brother Province is the son of P. W. Province who for many years was a worker in our conference. Brother Province will engage in the baking business, specializing in whole wheat bread. His address is 1039 Jefferson Ave., Huntington, West Virginia.

The past week we have been visiting among our isolated members in Kanawha County. We had a very pleasant visit at the home of Brother and Sister A. T. Halstead. We found them of good courage. They have carried a heavy responsibility in recent years, educating the splendid family of children the Lord has given them. They have followed the counsel in the Spirit of Prophecy in keeping their children in a rural environment and have worked hard and planned carefully to give them a Christian education.

Last week we had the pleasure of looking in on the Charleston church school. It has been gratifying indeed to see this little school making such steady growth. The bright faces of eleven boys and girls greeted us. The school room is very neat and the decorations on the walls and windows indicate that little fingers have been very busy in profitable employment during the past weeks. The teacher, Mrs. J. E. Lippart, is doing splendid work. We feel that our faithful people in Charleston will never be satisfied to again allow a school year to go by without having a church school.

On information to the effect that some new people were keeping the Sabbath in Fayette County, Brother J. E. Lippart and the writer made a trip into this territory. We found a man and his wife keeping the Sabbath faithfully, standing firmly for their convictions against much opposition from their brethren. Their stand has caused many to become interested and they urge us to hold some meetings at an early date. These people have read themselves into the truth, having obtained a copy of "Bible Readings" from a friend. They are well informed on the message as people who have read themselves into the truth generally are. This experience again emphasizes the importance of the work of the evangelistic colporteurs. As we get out into our virgin territory we expect to find scores of people interested in, and keeping the Sabbath.

C. V. Leach.

SHENANDOAH VALLEY ACADEMY

NEWS NOTES

The students whose homes are in Paterson, New Jersey, were glad to see their pastor, Elder Gaede, at S. V. A. a few days ago. He brought with him his son John who has registered for the second semester.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday were days of real concentration. We had our first semester examinations and are glad they are over.

The Snyder boys enjoyed the short visit of their mother and father recently.

WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE

W. M. C. AND 1924

January 1924 brings knowledge of success, knowledge of goals reached in spiritual activities, and knowledge of contentment in the hearts of students of Washington Missionary College. Why should anyone dread the New Year when such is our past?

From the opening of the College last fall W. M. C.'s enrollment has steadily grown. The number in attendance has increased until we expect to go beyond our goal of 300 in the second semester.

The chapel seats are well filled, the dormitories are filled and the new dining room is a joy to the beholder as he observes the rows of tables occupied by old and new students.

Fault finding and criticism are not a part of our life at W. M. C. The young man or woman is tabooed who is not an active booster. The spirit of loyalty to our President, to the College and of mutual loyalty between faculty and students is predominant. Such surely was and is the ideal of our Master.

Another delightful part of our College life is that all work. Many are earning their way through College. Others partially pay their expenses, while all are occupied with their domestic duties and studies. Work makes these happy!

As the New Year opens so do new classes. Classes of every type are ready for old and new students. It is the object of the administration as well as the teachers to give practical work at this College. The ideal is to prepare the young people of W. M. C. to be successful ministers, teachers and home and foreign missionaries.

The young men are doing active ministerial work. One of their number each week conducts a service at Rockville, Maryland. These young men put their hearts into this effort to save souls.

Young men and women are live members of Mission Bands. Here are students who are studying the problems of the many mission fields that they may go to their various places of service to cope with the conditions which exist in these places.

The Sabbath school at our College is conducted by teachers and students. It would encourage the hearts of fathers and mothers to see the attendance at the Sabbath morning services. Young and old mingle to study the Sabbath school lessons for 1924.

Thus as we begin 1924 we see over 300 in attendance; we see a greater spirit of loyalty to the College; we see contentment among the students; we see educational advantages increased and dormitories at their best; and best of all we find the spirit of real Christianity and of the advent message permeating all.

Come and join us! Jessie R. Evans.



NOTICE

Perhaps you could not go to College last fall, but do not be discouraged, the second semester at Washington Missionary College began January 22 at which time new classes were formed. You will be a little late but if you hurry, you can easily make up the work already given. Now is your opportunity.

Colporteur Reports

Name	Place	Book	Hrs.	Sold	Deliv'd
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Ohio, Week Ending January 18, 1924
E. M. Fishell, Field Secretary

E. C. Alexander, Clermont	BR	30	21.50	162.25
Turner Battle, Columbus	BF	28	56.00	
John Booth, Portsmouth	GC	39	65.00	39.50
R. B. Craig, Cincinnati	GC	37	96.00	30.00
Tilford Daily, Youngstown	BR	14	146.35	
J. L. Gearhart, E. Liverpool		25	30.00	30.00
V. Gibbons, Mahoning Co.	BR	27	167.25	
Fred Hannah, Martins Ferry	PP	38	115.50	
L. V. Harris, Akron	BR	28	54.25	
J. A. Houston, Cleveland	PP	29	32.00	11.25
C. McCampbell, Cleveland	OD	35	55.00	
G. R. Pilate, E. Liverpool	PP	22	33.00	32.75
Miss J. Rossman, Springfield	PP	24	50.00	
H. C. Wilcox, Canton	DA	35	51.70	27.25
Totals 14 colporteurs		411	\$973.55	\$333.00

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending January 18, 1924
H. G. Lewis, Field Secretary

*Mrs. C. Baierle, Phila.	WCS	20	17.00	7.00
B. Bell, Philadelphia	DR	31	35.00	11.50
Paul Brown, Sunbury	OD	32	31.00	4.75
George Cain, Sunbury	OD	27	51.25	44.00
Mary B. Delfel, Harrisburg	WCS	6	9.25	4.50
Mrs. L. Ellett, Philadelphia	CK	16	11.50	
Jennie Lewis, Philadelphia	BR	24	30.00	20.25
Inke G. Price, Reading	GC	18	40.00	97.25
*Wm. H. Smith, Berks Co.	BR	58	212.00	316.75
Edw. Stevens, Chester	PP	24	71.26	2.86
*E. S. Tolliver, Plymouth	PP	33	41.00	11.30
Totals 11 colporteurs		289	\$549.26	\$520.16

Virginia, Week Ending January 18, 1924
J. W. Siler, Field Secretary

*W. B. Powell, Lynchburg	BR	72	376.00	15.00
J. E. Franklin, Lynchburg	WC	20	50.00	50.00
Mrs. Kutscher, Norfolk	WC	20	25.00	25.00
L. W. Belote, Newport News		10	49.00	10.00
Mrs. C. A. Lashley, Suffolk	CK	6	2.00	10.00
Totals 5 colporteurs		128	\$520.00	\$110.00

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending January 18, 1924
C. H. Carter, Field Secretary

Geo. Buttermore, Clearfield	OD	42	60.50	102.15
Chas. Carter, Allegheny	BR	70	218.25	
H. E. Linss, Allegheny	BR	34	36.00	50.00
J. Washington, Allegheny	Mag.	95	56.00	56.00
Totals 4 colporteurs		241	\$370.75	\$208.15

*Two weeks

Grand Totals 34 Colp., Sales \$2,413.56, Del. \$1,171.20

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