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## The New Reading Course Books

This message is to bring to our young people, and in fact the older members of the church as well, the welcome news that the new Reading Course is about ready for sale. Most of the books are now ready and the others are expected within a week or so.

Much good has been accomplished through the former Reading Courses, and young people have been inspired to fit themselves for the Master's service. Some have been led to devote their lives to the mission fields and still others have been brought to the knowledge of the third angel's message. The following experience will be of interest to all readers of the *Columbia Union Visitor*. I learned of the incident through conversation with one of our missionary volunteers of Ohio, and asked her to write out the story just as she had related it to me. I am now passing it on to you with the hope that it will be an encouragement to all.

"Summer before last I was working in Mr. Brown's office. I had many leisure moments, so took the Reading Course book, 'Escape from Siberian Exile,' to the office to read. Mr. Brown picked this book up one day, and found it so interesting that he wanted to take it home that night and finish reading it, which I gladly consented to let him do.

"He did not return it in the morning, as his daughter wanted to read it. Some way that book impressed her. She returned it to the office, herself, and asked if I had any other books like that that she might borrow. She explained that she had always thought religious books were dry and uninteresting, but said that she would rather read that kind of books than novels. I explained the Reading Course library that our Missionary Volunteer Society had, and told her she would be welcome to any of the books we had.

"She was so delighted that she immediately discarded all the novels, love stories, and frivolous trash that were in her possession, joined our Missionary Volunteer Society and began working for a Reading Course Certificate—she was one of the first to receive one, too. Now she is a church member and leads out in the missionary activities.

"Since this experience the young people in the Society are endeavoring to loan the Reading Course books to every young person in the neighborhood. As a result, there are two young girls attending our Sabbath services, and a young boy attending our church school, who acknowledge that their interest was first gained through reading these books.

"Although our society consists of only twenty-two mem-

bers, and our funds are low, nothing can prevent our getting all three Reading Course sets. Sometimes it is a real sacrifice, but it is worth it. Last year we spent several days in the field, selling small books to secure the money for them. It took time and hard labor, but we enjoyed it, for we can't get along without the Reading Course books."

This list of books for the 1925 Reading Course is as follows:

### Senior

"How We Got Our Bible," J. Paterson Smyth; "Ups and Downs of Life," Ruth Lees Olson; "Missionary Adventures in Dark Africa," Elder W. H. Branson; "Some Biography of Abraham Lincoln," McSpadden.

### Junior

"In the Lion Country," S. A. Konigsmacher; "John Williams, the Shipbuilder," Basil Mathews.

### Primary

"The Children's Congo Picture Book," Bertha Spear Bogar; "Stories That Mother Read," Mrs. Farnsworth.

C. E. ANDROSS, M. V. Secretary.

## Potomac

My dear Fellow-Laborers:

I often think of you as you are plodding along in your self-supporting efforts. I know you have many trying experiences, but there is one always by your side to comfort and help you. He has said, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." How sweet it is to feel that Jesus knows all about our struggles. And remember He has promised to be with us all the way, even unto the end of the world. The end is almost in sight now and only a few more years of fighting with the powers of darkness and we shall go home to dwell with Him for evermore.

I watch for your reports from week to week and rejoice with you when they are good and sympathize with you when it goes hard. I have been much interested in the reports of the number of hours each worker puts in from week to week. From what is reported, it is evident that it pays to put in full time. The Master said, "Go work today in my vineyard and whatsoever is right I will give thee." He pays well when we put in full time. The work is very solemn and sacred. You may be the only one who will ever visit the home of many of the people in the country districts, and how earnest you should be in your canvass, and how careful you should be, too, of your Christian department. The souls you visit will meet you at the final judgment bar and how terrible it would be if their blood should be found on your garments.

It has been said that "The gospel of a broken heart demands the ministry of a bleeding heart." Does your heart

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## Columbia Union

### Colporteurs Outline of General Instruction

#### LESSON NO. 2

Note—If you do not have the little book, "Colporteur Evangelist," send to the tract society and purchase one. Only 25 cents. Worth dollars.

#### NATURE OF THE WORK

C. E. page 5. Missionary work of the highest order. Don't miss the thought, "properly conducted."

Ordained of God. It cannot be too highly estimated. It is the very work His people should do at this time.

C. E. page 25. There is no higher work than evangelistic canvassing.

Page 33. It's a most successful way of soul-saving.

"It's the drive wheel of this movement."—A. G. Daniels.

It surely is true. The denomination would be as badly crippled if we would take the publishing houses out of it as an engine would be without a drive wheel.

C. E. pages 42, 53. A work for both men and women. This work is of such a nature that it inspires men and women to leave the pleasures and comforts of home, and go to the out of the way places with the message to those who care not, neither are looking for Jesus. Read in connection with this thought Romans 10:13-18, now verse 20. In Isaiah 62:12 these folks are called "the sought out." You, my dear worker, will meet some of these dear souls in the kingdom of heaven.

At the time Elder Spicer was elected president of the General Conference, he said in a public meeting, "The humblest colporteur in the field may be receiving higher honors in the society of the angels than the president of the General Conference will ever receive."

Vol. 5:463. "The work which the church fails to do in times of peace and prosperity, she will have to do in a terrible crisis, under most discouraging, forbidding circumstances."

So why not carry out the instructions in Vol. 5:388? "Carry the word of God to every man's door, urge its plain statements upon every man's conscience, repeat to all the Saviour's command, 'Search the Scriptures'."

C. E. pages 84, 85. "He who takes up the work of canvassing as he should, must be an educator and a student Do the work of an evangelist."

#### Educator

Educate the people in the Bible by explaining the Scriptures. Educate them as opportunity presents itself in healthful living. Educate them in lines of simple treatments of the sick.

#### Student

E. C. page 6. "He should go to work prepared to explain the Scriptures."

Page 57. "Those who work in this cause do not study their Bibles as they should."

Page 13. "His strength, his courage, his success, will depend on how fully the truth presented in the book is woven into his own experience and developed in his character."

Page 12. It is only when our hearts are imbued with the spirit of truth contained in the book we are selling that real success will attend our efforts.

#### Evangelist

An evangelist arouses a great interest, leaves a pastor to develop it, and he passes on. So must the colporteur. In about fifteen minutes arouse an interest, leave a pastor (book) to develop that interest, and go on.

Thus we see the nature of the evangelistic colporteur work; and the effect it has upon souls is found in C. E. page 28. "I saw them holding papers and tracts in one hand and the Bible in the other, while their cheeks were wet with tears; and bowing before God in earnest humble prayer, to be guided into all truth. . . . Their Bible was to them a new book; they hugged it to their hearts with grateful joy, while their countenances were all aglow with happiness and holy joy. H. F. Kirk.

## West Virginia

### News Notes

Elder C. E. Andross called at the office recently and met with the Parkersburg church on Wednesday evening. His subject, "True Joys," was greatly appreciated by all present.

Miss Nell Mead spent the week-end, March 14, with the believers at Ripley. She reports a very interesting meeting and the members all of good courage. Elder Conger, who has charge of the work there, was away at this time attending the colporteur institute at Charleston.

Church members please remember that all funds for "Christ's Object Lessons" and "Ministry of Healing" should be in the hands of the missionary secretary by Sabbath, March 28.

Elder Conger has led out in a strong way in the sale of our relief books in Ripley. Twenty-six books have been mailed to this small company.

We have in stock a few copies of the new book, "Without Excuse," published by the Pacific Press. This book will be greatly appreciated by our workers. This book is an examination of some of the excuses which are often made when the Spirit beckons men on to a Christian life. The author of the book is Sherman A. Nagel. The book contains 179 pages, and sells for \$1.

We were pleased to have in our conference recently a representative from the foreign publishing house at Brookfield, Elder H. W. Sherrig. Elder Sherrig attended our colporteur institute in Charleston. His visits at both the No. 1 and No. 2 churches proved an inspiration to all.

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to your tract society.

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week preceding the date of publication. Whenever possible it  
should be typewritten and double-spaced.

## Books Taken From Shelves

Our colporteurs are familiar with the following testimony recorded on page 6 of "Colporteur Evangelist": "It is true that some who buy the books will lay them on the shelf or place them on the parlor table, and seldom look at them. Still God has a care for His truth, and the time will come when these books will be sought for and read."

The following taken from a letter just received from a man in Preston County we believe is a direct fulfillment of this prophecy: "Over two years ago when I had struggled long in prayer I had asked the Lord for wisdom and understanding concerning His word. My thoughts flashed to 'Bible Readings' that had been lying on my stand almost untouched. Since then I have nearly worn my book out reading it. It seemed to me that I could almost have eaten it." Surely this is a wonderful testimony and one that should bring courage to our faithful colporteurs laboring at this time. The man states further: "I have been keeping the true Sabbath in my own home for over two years and I must say I am satisfied in my own mind of the truth of your message. I have given my life, my all to Christ, and I am now prepared to do His will in all things no matter what it may be. I am resolved in my heart that I will never again have any will but His will."

I am sure we are living in a time when we may expect to see this experience duplicated in the lives of many individuals. This experience should be an inspiration to any who are thinking of enlisting in the colporteur work.

C. M. PADEN.

## Charleston No. 2 Church

On Sunday, March 1, the young people's society, under the leadership of Sister Scott, rendered a fine program in behalf of the church library. Sabbath, March 7, Elders Thirlwell and C. Wood were with us. Brother Wood pleased our members with a strong sermon. Sunday night, March 8, Brother Sherrig of our Foreign Publishing Department gave an interesting illustrated talk on "The Foreigner in the United States." Wednesday night Brothers Kirk and Bee and Sister Mead brought over all the colporteurs attending the Institute and fine experiences were related strengthening our members very much. We are glad to have our Sabbath school superintendent, Sister Taylor, back again after a long illness. Sunday night, March 15, Elder Thirlwell spoke to a well filled house on "The United States in Prophecy." Our work is growing and soon will have an addition of eight new members by baptism.

H. P. WOODSON.

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bleed and yearn for those whom you canvass from day to day? Is your heart moved with compassion when you find these poor sheep without a shepherd? I think of the dear Lord as He trod the earth and canvassed such ones as Nicodemus and the woman at Jacob's well. How earnestly He worked to create a real heart hunger for the living word of God. How patiently He led them on step by step until they desired the very word of life which He had to give. We are to labor just as earnestly for souls as He did. How He sought to feed men and women with the bread of life as He sat at meal time around their tables. Remember you are to represent Him as you meet with those for whom He died.

"The Saviour was an untiring worker. He did not

measure his work by hours. His time, His heart, His strength, were given to labor for the benefit of humanity. Entire days were devoted to labor, and entire nights were spent in prayer, that He might be braced to meet the wily foe in all His deceptive working, and fortified to do his work of uplifting and restoring humanity.

"The man who loves God does not measure his work by the eight hour system. He works at all hours, and is never off duty. As he has opportunity, he does good. Everywhere, at all times and in all places, he finds opportunity to work for God. He carries fragrance with him wherever he goes. A wholesome atmosphere surrounds his soul. The beauty of his well-ordered life and godly conversation inspires in others faith and hope and courage. It is heart missionaries that are needed."—Vol. 9, p. 45.

Remember we are praying for you and may God bless you in all your work for Him is my prayer.

Sincerely your brother,

T. B. WESTBROOK.

## West Pennsylvania

### News Notes

Brother Hansen, our Home Missionary and Medical Secretary, has tendered his resignation to take up self-supporting medical work. We regret very much to lose Brother Hansen from our corps of conference workers, but are glad he is planning to remain in our field. He is still at Warren, where the Lord is greatly blessing his work. His family is still at Greensburg.

Elder Robbins and Brother Mohr visited the Indiana church last Sabbath. Due to the bad weather, the attendance was not very large. But the members are of good courage and are doing what they can to hold up the truth there.

The conference committee has voted that Elder Coon hold a tent effort at Greensburg during the summer. Prospects there are very bright and most promising for the success of this effort. With Elder Coon, to assist in the meetings, will be Brethren George S. Rapp and T. H. Barriett. Several locations have been found, but at this writing nothing definite.

The conference office has received notice to move, due to the erection of a large theatre. They have secured three very nice rooms in the new First National Bank building on Main Street, Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and will probably move on or after April 15. Definite notice will be given later.

The conference committee voted to conform with the General Conference action that the name of all tract societies be changed to Book and Bible House. Our new name for the tract society will be known as West Pennsylvania Book and Bible House. We will continue to use up our present stock of supplies bearing the tract society name to avoid extra expense. Hereafter, address us and make all remittances for orders to the tract society payable to the West Pennsylvania Book and Bible House.

Several churches, we are glad to report, have ordered their full quota of "Christ's Object Lessons" books for the Institutional Relief campaign. We appreciate this very much and hope the balance of our churches will get under this Heaven-appointed plan and lift. There are a few more books at the office, also a few "Ministry of Healing."

We welcome Brother and Sister Kibler to our conference force of workers. Brother Kibler will have charge of the Home Missionary, Sabbath School and Missionary Volunteer Departments. Sister Kibler will assist in the work at the office. We earnestly pray God's blessings on these workers that they will enjoy their new work and have the best of success in their efforts.

#### COLPORTEUR EXPERIENCE

I had canvassed a lady who seemed very much interested in the book but said she would like to talk to her husband about it. She asked for my telephone number so she could call me up if they wanted to order. While leaving, it became very dark, so I stayed a few minutes longer. We talked of Christ's coming and the signs that must be fulfilled. The next morning at 8 o'clock I received a 'phone call from her ordering two full leather "Bible Readings." She asked that they be delivered just as soon as possible. I took them to her that morning and thanked God for the privilege.

MISS JENNIE KEELER.

## New Jersey

### A Colporteur Experience

"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? To loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry and that they bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? When thou seest the naked that thou cover him and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?"

"Never in my years of colporteur work have I been able to understand these scriptures as I do now. I took a poor old outcast lady of seventy-three years to room with me the first of last September. Four children put her out of her home. I prayed and worked with this sister until she accepted the truth. Lately I have given her some papers and tracts to hand out. She went to a door and asked for a drink. The people were Catholics. She prayed with the woman and gave her the message. The woman finally accepted the truth. She met with considerable persecution until finally the Lord saw fit to let her depart this life. The Catholics of course refused to bury her in their graveyard, neither would the Catholic undertaker have anything to do with her. Her dying words were she expected to meet the old sister in the new earth and that she was happy in Jesus. Her two children, boy and girl, will not have anything to do with the Catholics now and they have turned them out of the Catholic school. Pray for these children that they may be faithful. They say they want their mother's new found faith.

"We would appreciate any old papers, tracts, etc., that we could use for free distribution. Pray for us both."

ELIZABETH WHITE.

### News Notes

Elder Gaede reports that his daughter Geraldine, who underwent an operation at the Washington Sanitarium recently, is getting along nicely.

Elder and Mrs. Nyman spent Sabbath with the Asbury Park company. Although not an organized church, these folk have appointed a missionary secretary and are actively engaged in missionary work.

Elder and Mrs. A. J. Clark visited the Annandale church and Phillipsburg company recently.

Brother Hagmann met with the Swedesboro church Sabbath in the interest of the young people's work. The young people are taking hold of the Week of Prayer plans and meetings have been arranged for every evening.

Elder and Mrs. Clark, accompanied by Mrs. S. E. Norton, are spending a few days at the South Lancaster College.

Last Sabbath, Mrs. Clark presented the Pleasantville Sabbath school with a banner. This was given for faithfulness on the part of the Sabbath school secretary in sending in the reports on time and complete for the year 1924. Elder Clark spoke to the Pleasantville and Cape May churches.

Brother R. M. Spencer visited friends in Trenton during the past week.

### Higher Aim Society

The Higher Aim Society, of Jersey City, spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoeschele on Saturday night, February 21. Social games and refreshments were the program for the evening. February 27, they met at the home of our invalid Sister Brown, of Jersey City. After a good program, Professor V. D. Hagman gave a stirring talk on "The Garden of the Heart." This surely was appreciated by all. A beautiful pot of hyacinths was given to Sister Brown by the society.

MRS. J. H. WIERTS.

## Chesapeake

### Among the Churches

It is a great pleasure and privilege to take the good cheer of the gospel to the churches and to encourage our dear people to press on in the good way. This work bestows a double blessing, one on our dear people and one on the messenger who visits them. This was especially true in my case when I visited Wilmington recently. Instead of having to settle trouble in the church, the trouble had already been settled according to Matthew 18, and all that remained for me was to participate in a blessed revival.

I had also a good meeting with the Hagerstown church in the extreme western part of our conference. The Hagerstown church is one of our strong churches and Hagerstown is the third city in our conference, with a population of 30,000 people. Elders Gauterau and Medairy have just started a series of meetings in this important center. They will hold these meetings in a store building right in the center of town which gives them a good grip on the entire city. We are looking forward with great interest to the outcome of these meetings.

From Hagerstown, I went to Smithsburg and in the afternoon a goodly number gathered in the church to hear the message.

Of course, in my visit to these places, I pushed the "Object Lessons" and both churches responded.

Smithsburg itself is only a small place, but the church is a strong one with a good, substantial membership.

The next church I visited was Brunswick. The church here meets in a room on the third floor, which of course

somewhat impedes the work in this important center. Brunswick is one of the few churches in our conference who do not own their own building. However, the church is alive to the situation and they are very anxious to possess a building of their own. The Brunswick church is composed largely of new Sabbath-keepers and is a good working church. Last year they led the conference in mission offerings with a per capita of 71 1-10 cents. Do it again, Brunswick!

I also visited Westminster and Frederick, where we expect to hold tent efforts this summer. We have a company in each of these places, the company in Frederick being the larger. There is a bright prospect in both these places for a church and we would like the prayers of our people that this might be so. Frederick especially is a fine old town of perhaps 12,000 people and it seems too bad that up to the present we haven't had any organization in this city.

From now until camp meeting, revival work will be the order of the day in this conference, and we earnestly pray that the blessing of God may attend the labors of our ministers as we attempt to build up the work here.

J. W. McCORD.

### Special Notice

On and after Monday, March 23, 1925, the address of the Chesapeake Conference and Chesapeake Book and Bible House will be Catonsville, Maryland. The street address is Fustings Avenue and Eges Lane. Two car lines pass near this place. By car No. 8 on Frederick Road, get off at Eges Lane at the center of Catonsville and walk two blocks north. Via car No. 14 on Edmonson Avenue, get off at Ingleside Avenue, walk two blocks south and one west to entrance of grounds. If it is found necessary to inquire as to the location, ask to be directed to the old Schermerhorn place as it is well known in the vicinity.

Catonsville is a thriving suburb of Baltimore and stands in about the same relation to the city of Baltimore that Takoma Park has to Washington.

In making a change of this kind it naturally follows that some alterations and repairs must be made which of course will take a little time, but we hope to become settled in the new conference home as quickly as possible and will be glad to welcome all who may wish to visit our new headquarters.

In writing to the tract society, address your letters now to the Chesapeake Book and Bible House, as this is our new name. This name was recommended by the General Conference and we believe it tells better what our business is. Don't you?

### Missionary Map

Sabbath School and Young People's Missionary Volunteer Officers: A set of large outline maps, containing seven of the important missionary countries, can be purchased from the office for 30 cents postpaid. These will be a great help to teachers, and leaders, in their study of mission fields. Order immediately, as we have a limited number of these sets on hand.

### Correction

The article in the issue of March 19 entitled Our New Conference Building was placed by mistake under the New Jersey heading.

—Editor.

## East Pennsylvania

### Colporteur Institute

I feel impressed to write a few lines about our Institute that has just closed here in Philadelphia. We were very glad to have the New Jersey colporteurs join us in these the days of preparation for better service in the Master's work. A wonderful spirit of love and harmony prevailed all through our convention. Many times I could hear the colporteurs as they talked together, say that it was the best institute they had ever attended, and as the meetings broke up, and we were bidding each other good-bye, and the colporteurs separating for their various fields of labor, I heard some say, "Now remember, forty hours per week!" This surely sounded good to me, for here is just where many colporteurs have failed in the past. I have never known a colporteur to fail in the Lord's work when he was faithful in every respect, and put in forty hours per week faithful work.

We were disappointed in not having more of our people take advantage of this opportunity in preparing themselves for more efficient work in the Master's vineyard. We had fifteen in attendance from East Pennsylvania, but we should have had thirty. We need ten good colporteurs for this large city of Philadelphia alone. We have evidences multiplying every day to show us that the end of all things is fast drawing to a close, and what we do must be done quickly. I hope the dear Lord will stir the hearts of his people here in East Pennsylvania to quickly respond to the call of the hour and finish the work He has given us to do in placing the printed page in the homes of the people in this conference.

I suppose the readers of the Visitor are all acquainted with the fact that Brother H. G. Lewis, who has served so faithfully in this conference as Field Secretary, has resigned his work because of his health. He is not disabled, but he has been advised by our doctors to take a rest. Let us remember Brother Lewis in our prayers. I was asked to take up the work where Brother Lewis left it, and have accepted the call, and I would like to solicit the prayers and cooperation of our people in this work. We shall continue to pray here at the office that the Lord of the harvest will send us more laborers into this part of his vineyard to help place the printed page in the homes of the people in this large conference. Should you desire to work for the Master in this capacity, please write me at 3256 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

O. C. WELLER.

### News Notes

A good majority of our churches were represented at our church officers' and workers' meeting held in Philadelphia Sabbath and Sunday, March 14 and 15. A large Methodist church near the office was secured for our Sabbath services and was well filled during the meetings. The delegates, upon returning home, expressed themselves that they felt well repaid for the time spent in attending these meetings. We only regret that every church in our conference was not represented. Elder G. B. Thompson of the General Conference spoke at the Sabbath morning service.

The conference workers remained over a few days after the church officers' meetings, and very profitable meetings were held discussing the various phases of our conference work.

As our conference committee has voted to hold our camp meeting in June, we are now looking about for suitable location. We will be glad to hear from different churches of good camp meeting sites they may know of.

"Two Great Prophecies," a new crisis book, is now in stock and is well worth having in your library. Orders will receive prompt attention. Price 25 cents.

The young people's Week of Prayer was postponed in our conference on account of the church officers' meeting, until the week of March 21-28. We trust all of our churches will enter fully into this Week of Prayer and that many of our young people will get a new hold on the Lord and be greatly benefited by this Week of Prayer.

Miss Mae Reichard, our office stenographer, was operated on in the Washington Sanitarium, for gotire. We ask an interest in your prayers for her speedy recovery. Also Sister Ready of the North Philadelphia church had a similar operation at the same time.

### Scranton

A health class has been formed by the members of the Scranton church. Sister Smith, a graduate nurse, and Sister Griner, a practical dietitian, are giving the instruction. At the first meeting a health dish was made in the presence of the class. After they had a sample of it they were given a typewritten sheet of paper with full directions how to make the dish. This was taken home and the same dish served to their families. A menu is made of foods that digest in one hour, another of foods that digest in two hours, and others of foods that digest in three, four, and five hours. A study of foods that digest at once is made, as well as those foods that do not digest at all. Talks on health from the Bible and Testimonies are given, and the members are beginning to enjoy the light that has come to us on health reform.

C. S. BAUM.

### MOUNT VERNON ACADEMY

#### Academy Entertains Chamber of Commerce

For some time the management of the Mt. Vernon Academy have felt that it would be a good plan to bring about a more intimate acquaintance between the Academy, its standards of true education, and the business men of the city. Therefore it seemed a most appropriate time, at the completion of the new administration building, to extend to the Chamber of Commerce an invitation to luncheon March 4, at 12 o'clock. Over one hundred of the principal business men, which included doctors, ministers, lawyers, merchants, editors, and educators, were present. These guests were more than delighted with their visit, luncheon and appropriate program. A "most excellent" dinner was served by the young ladies of the school under the direction of Mrs. McClary, matron. A special program of music and readings was arranged by Professor H. A. Miller, musical director. Special features of the program were: Address of welcome by Elder N. S. Ashton, president of the conference and of the executive board of the Academy. In his address he set forth the principles of our educational plan, which is to educate the mind, the heart, and the body. He also gave an encouraging report of the number of graduates that have gone out from the school to various parts of the world. Elder Ashton extended, in behalf of the institution, to the citizens of Mount Vernon, its ap-

preciation for their long friendship and kind support. In response, Mr. J. Gordon Bone, president of the Chamber of Commerce, declared his surprise at the completeness and high standards of the Academy, which, he said, was the sentiment of the visiting citizens. He also said he believed the Academy was doing a wonderful work in its field.

Doctor Monsen, a noted traveler and lecturer who was a guest at the Academy, in his remarks told of the accomplishments of Brother Stahl, one of our missionaries in South America, which he had seen in his travels in Bolivia. Professor K. L. Gant, principal of the Academy, in his talk gave a brief history of our educational work. He extended to all present the privilege of inspecting and visiting all departments of the school. Very appropriate and beautiful musical selections were rendered by the male quartet, girls' octet, solos by Mrs. K. L. Gant and Professor H. A. Miller, and a reading by Miss Olive Welch.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce were delighted with their trip through the institution. Expressions of praise and appreciation were heard from the spectators as they viewed the new administration building which has just been completed. "The structure is modern in every way, and is a building of which the student body, the officials and the workers can be very proud." They were impressed with the fact that a great deal of the expense of erecting this beautiful building was avoided by much of the work being donated by members of our faith both of this community and of our brethren who came from miles away to do their "bit." The electric wiring was done by one of the students, Mr. Herrell, and the plans of the structure were drawn by a member of the faculty, Professor Thomas Webb.

The members of the Chamber of Commerce expressed themselves to the effect that this occasion was undoubtedly one of the most enjoyable events in the history of their activities.

A. E. KING.

### News Notes

Professor C. W. Irwin visited M. V. A. recently. He spoke in chapel Friday morning, in prayer meeting Friday night, and at the Sabbath morning service.

Miss Marie Cain, class of '23, of Clarksburg, West Virginia, visited friends here several days.

Professor Wheeler spoke in chapel last Thursday on the three clubs, Do-It-Now, Do-It-Then, and Do-It-Never.

Elder C. E. Andross made a short call here and we are looking forward to a longer visit in a short time.

Brother C. A. Holt has been with us since Friday, March 13, and we appreciate his earnest talks.

### To Our "Spirit" Subscribers

Those who have subscribed for the Spirit of M. V. A. and are not receiving same, please notify R. F. Warnick, care Academy, Mount Vernon, Ohio. Alfred H. Guenther.

### Papers Wanted

We will be glad to get copies of the Signs of the Times, Youth's Instructor, Watchman, and Little Friend to use in mission work. Can use many. Address Present Truth Mission, 482 M Street South West, Washington, D. C.



## SHENANDOAH VALLEY ACADEMY

### News Notes

Our matron and preceptress, Mrs. Weaver and Miss Franklin respectively, attended the inauguration at Washington.

James Bassett recently visited his aunt at the Washington Sanitarium.

On Saturday night, March 7, the boys gave the girls a marshmallow roast near the Massanutten Ridge.

Curtis Barr, of Takoma Park, is spending some time with the De Ginders.

The senior class of W. M. C., together with Professor Werline and Mrs. James, spent a recent week-end at the Academy. They visited the Endless Caverns during their stay. The program which the seniors rendered on Sabbath afternoon was enjoyed by all.

Messrs. Loveless and Gustoverson, also of W. M. C., spent several days with us. They state that the mountain hikes, together with the pure valley air, is of great benefit to them.

The farm work is progressing well. Peas, lettuce, and radishes have been planted for use in May. Twelve dozen eggs daily from our small flock of chickens keep the school family well supplied. New fences are in process of construction.

Elder Westbrook was with the school for the opening of the Week of Prayer. His talks on the sacrifice of Christ made deep impressions on all hearts present.

### Sabbath School Rally Day Is Coming

The General Conference Committee has appointed June 13, 1925, as Sabbath School Rally Day. The regular session of the Sabbath school is to be followed by a program devoted especially to Sabbath school interests. Many will remember some very interesting Rally Day programs that have been presented in former years. We are planning carefully for this one, and hope to have a program as good as, or even better than, any we have ever prepared.

The May number of the *Sabbath School Worker* will be the Rally Day number. It will contain the program and the material to be used. The publishers have kindly permitted us to have forty pages, so that extra material may be supplied. No school can observe Rally Day without the May number. Schools will need extra copies of this special number, so that each person taking part may have a copy of what is to be learned, or for which preparation must be made.

An extra large edition of the May number will be printed, and additional copies may be secured. Single copies will sell for ten cents each, but if five or more are ordered at one time, they will cost only eight cents apiece. Order the extra May numbers as soon as possible, or you may be disappointed.

Gen. Conf. S. S. Dept.

It takes a long time to build up a character, but you can blast it in a single hour.—D. L. Moody.

### ADVERTISEMENTS

We do not solicit general advertisements, and must reserve the right to reject any or all. But to accommodate our friends in reading notices considered proper to admit to the columns of this paper, especially about the sale of homes, employment, or for institutional requirements, finally approved advertisements will be published at the rate of one cent for each word or initial, with a minimum charge of 25 cents, rate the same for additional insertions. To receive any consideration, cash and reference from conference presidents or workers must accompany each request for advertising space in the *VISITOR*. Address Editor of Columbia Union Visitor.

**Wanted:** Ten carpenters, one good cement worker, one plasterer, and one all-around foreman. Work throughout the year for expert mechanics. References desired. Address G. W. Chase, 415 Cedar Street, Takoma Park, D. C. 3t

**Wanted,** at The Columbus Rural Rest Home, one young man for general work. Address, D. K. Nicola, Worthington, Ohio. 3t

**For Sale**—8 acres land or 10 acres with house, barn and outbuildings on brick road 15 minutes' walk from Academy and church school. Mrs. Emma Kirkendall, Route 1, Mount Vernon, Ohio. 3t

**Bulbs**—Gladioli and Dahlias, beautiful, easy to grow, prolific. 25 Glads, Kunderd, Diener, and other good varieties. Mixed, all colors, blooming size bulbs, \$1. 12 Dahlias, mixed, different good varieties, \$1.50. Both lots, \$2, postpaid, with instructions. **Hilkrest Gardens,** Takoma Park, D.C. 4t

**Wanted**—Man experienced in bath room treatment work. Give full particulars concerning self in first letter, wages expected, etc. Address S. A. Craig, 218 East State Street, Columbus, Ohio. 3t

**For Sale**—Comfortable home of seven rooms, detached garage, fine garden spot, fruit and shade. Owner called to work in East Pennsylvania Conference. For particulars address J. A. Applegate, Mount Vernon, Ohio. 2t

**Farm Hand**—S. D. A. young man, single, wanted on farm here near Philadelphia. State experience and wages expected. Address C. E. Hill, Hatboro, Pa.

Wonderful opportunity for physician to locate in one of the most beautiful and prosperous small cities in Southern California. Largest practice in the city, also equipment and reputation the best. Present owner wishes to connect with sanitarium work. Will take about \$20,000 to handle home, equipment, etc. A small first payment will be accepted provided good references are furnished. Purchaser must be willing to assume leading part in church and school work. For further information address Box 94, Loma Linda, California.

**Health Foods**—Our foods are composed of the choicest of nuts, grains, etc. They are delicious, healthful and nourishing. Try them and you will always buy them. We will send postpaid 1¼ pound sample cans of the following: Vegetarian Meat, Vegetarian Roast, To-Meta, at 25 cents per can, Original Meat 35 cents per can. Liberal discounts given in 24-can case lots. Write for price list of complete line of our foods. We will greatly appreciate receiving the names and full address of all your friends that might be interested in Vegetarian Health Foods. Thank you. Brooke Health Food Company, Brooke, Virginia.