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Colporteur Plan in Eastern Pennsylvania

The following statement from Brother Weller, Field Missionary Secretary of East Pennsylvania, as to the plans that are being laid by the president and his committee to further the interests of the colporteur work throughout the conference has so forcibly impressed my mind, that I feel it my duty to pass it along to the readers of the VISITOR. These plans have laid heavily upon my heart for years, and I trust will be put into practice in each conference in this Union. I am wondering if it would not be a profitable thing for each committee to invite its field missionary secretary to sit with them as early as possible, and counsel as to how the colporteur work may be put on a stronger basis, and then such action be presented throughout the conference. In this way our people everywhere can readily see that the colporteur work is one of the most important agencies at this time of preparing the honest in heart to get ready for the coming of the Lord. Brother Weller says:

"I wish each of you could have been here in Philadelphia last Sabbath to hear Elder C. B. Haynes tell some of the thrilling mission stories from South America. For a thousand miles up the Amazon there are many tribes calling; yes, just pleading for a knowledge of this precious message that we love so much. I wish I could write it just the way he told it.

"Elder Prout says as they listened to these stirring reports at the Fall Council, from Old Mexico, Central America, Africa, and the European Division, that Elder Spicer emphasized more than once that we are not looking for the 'Loud Cry' of the third angel's message, but we are in it right now.

"Brethren, I wonder if we are able to grasp this? Somehow I fear we do not.

"I had the privilege of meeting with our conference committee yesterday, and you will be interested to know that the first topic for consideration was the colporteur work in East Pennsylvania. Our leading brethren realize more and more every day the importance of our publishing work. Elder Town made this statement sometime ago: 'Two out of every three persons accepting this message come into it through our literature.' Why should it not be promoted then?

"I will tell you briefly that the committee took definite action yesterday to push this work to the front and support it in a way that has been unknown to us as workers in the past. My heart is full of courage.

"Brother Baugh has three new workers in his territory this week. We welcome Sisters Gladys Smith, Carloline Smith, and Margaret Ackerman to our band of

workers. We expect other new names to appear, perhaps next week. Watch for them, and pray for them."

E. M. Fishell.

Harvest Ingathering in a Leper Station

Here is a terrible place, a leper-station. Here are confined people afflicted with that dread disease, leprosy, and numbered among the unfortunates are some who love God's truth for this time. Can they be excused from a part in God's work? Shall we excuse them from the Appeal for Missions? "Yes," you will say, "for how can a leper share in the Appeal for Missions work?" Listen to this report of the 1924 campaign from a foreign field:

"Yesterday I paid a visit to the Leper Asylum, and found one of our brethren dead. The others were of good courage. One of them said to me, 'What about the Appeal for Missions (Harvest Ingathering)?' I told them that we had closed the campaign. At that they seemed crestfallen, and said, 'No one has called for ours. We have it here; will you take it?' I said, 'Yes,' and they gave me what they had collected from other patients in the institution, —19s. Oh, they felt proud to know they had helped in the Appeal for Missions campaign."

C. B. Sutton,
So. Caribbean Conf.

"Speaking the Truth in Love"

Love and Truth were walking in the meadow of Life, though on different paths. They met at a certain place.

"How fares it with thee, Friend Truth?" said Love.

"Not so well as I could wish," answered Truth. "People say that I am hard and harsh. My frown repels. I can convince, but I can not win. I see that you are smiling, so, no doubt, you are making good progress."

"'Tis true that I smile, but this is just a veil that screens a perplexed heart. My progress is hindered by dimness of vision. I make mistakes. I can draw people, but I can not direct them aright. People say that I am not a wise counsellor. I am weak in leadership." Thus spake Love.

"It seems to me," replied Truth, "that you lack the things of which I possess an abundance, and I need the qualities in which you excel."

And both stood still, considering the matter.

At last Love asked timidly, yet hopefully: "Why, then, can we not walk together, always? I can *soften* you, while you in turn, can *guide* me. Then, indeed, shall we be invincible!"

So they joined hands and walked the earth together.

And the people, pleased and satisfied, said one to another:

"How Gentle is Truth!"

"How strong is Love!"

Selected.

A Timely Suggestion

The new book entitled, "THE COMING OF THE COMFORTER," written by LeRoy E. Froom, is now being announced by the publishers through the usual channels of publicity. The matter contained in this book, having been presented in the form of devotional studies at three of the Union Conference Sessions of 1928, has created widespread interest and anticipation of the announcement of the book. Every conference worker will desire to secure a copy at the earliest possible date, and we suggest that all take advantage of the reduced price available through the *Ministerial Reading Course Club Rate*. The books selected for the Reading Course of 1929 (in addition to the spirit of prophecy volume possessed by all workers) are as follows:

"The Desire of All Nations", Egbert W. Smith \$1.50
 "The Preacher: His Life and Work", J. H. Jowett \$1.00
 "The Coming of the Comforter", LeRoy E. Froom \$1.50
 When all three books are ordered together, the Club Rate is only \$3.45, postpaid, to all points in United States, subject to the usual additional cost in Canada.

"THE COMING OF THE COMFORTER" is also one of the *Auxiliary Reading Course* books for 1929, and this same suggestion applies to church elders and leaders in ordering the Auxiliary set, concerning which full particulars will be available at an early date.

Every order for "THE COMING OF THE COMFORTER" should include the complete Reading Course Set, not only as a matter of economy, but for the inspiration and help which is afforded through the annual Reading Courses selected for ministers, evangelists, teachers, Bible workers, institutional directors, church elders and leaders.

Ministerial Association.

Takoma Park, D. C.

A Subway Harvest

A crowded Express Subway train thundered along in busy New York City. At every stop great masses of tired business men and women pushed their way into the already over loaded cars. Many of the passengers were standing in the aisles, holding to the friendly straps to keep from falling over each other and to relieve the weight of weary bodies.

Near the end of one of the long seats sat one who is ever watchful for opportunities to sow seeds of truth in every kind of soil. She was wondering why someone did not try to fit into the small space beside her, surely one could sit there with as much comfort as hanging onto a swinging strap. The Lord heard the silent prayers and almost immediately a lady squeezed herself into the small seating space. She was greeted by a pleasant smile and these words:

"Here's something splendid you will greatly enjoy reading when you get home this evening. This is not a story magazine. Notice that it is an Interpreter of the Times and gives the meaning of the news that the newspapers print. Try this copy. It is only 25c".

"Well, thank you, I believe I'll take it," said the lady, and another Watchman Magazine had been sold. Thousands of others are sold each month in this and similar ways, permitting our Full Message Magazine to enter thousands of homes every month.

You ask, "Does it pay?" Does the Lord control these seething crowds of humanity? Does He help our faithful workers to find honest hearted people? Does He reward such noble effort? "Yes", we answer, a thousand times. Ask the magazine worker—she will tell you

the joys that are hers in this service.

But let us continue the story. The lady mentioned above did enjoy the Watchman. She greatly enjoyed it and purchased other copies. The incident occurred last Spring and now she is a baptized Seventh-day Adventist doing Harvest Ingathering work in the same city.

"God calls for earnest, unselfish, disinterested laborers in His cause, who will keep up the various branches of the work; such as obtaining subscribers for the periodicals." Vol. 11, p. 628.

"O that we might see the needs of these cities as God sees them! At such a time as this every hand is to be employed." Vol. 9, p. 101. May the Lord of the Harvest send us more laborers into these splendid fields.

The home was tastefully decorated in green and
 J. F. Ashlock.

Remember the Date

November 1 to December 31.

Only during this period may orders be sent in for subscriptions to be entered on the Present Truth Special Weekly List. Any time during this period subscriptions may be sent in for Present Truth to be mailed weekly to relatives, friends, or others, beginning January 1, 1929. The papers are to be supplied in connected serial form, beginning with the first issue of either annual division desired. We recommend the first annual division for all new readers.

If desired, the subscriptions may be given for the entire three annual division, which make up for all the full series, Nos. 1-76. Price 75c domestic: \$1.50 Canada and foreign: But, either of the annual divisions may be supplied separately if desired at 25c domestic: 50c Canada and foreign. All subscriptions sent in with 25c for the Weekly List without any annual division being specified, will be filled with the first annual division. If 50c is the amount sent in with the order and no special divisions requested, the first and second annual divisions, Nos. 1-52 will be supplied. If 75c is sent, the first, second and third divisions, No's. 1-76 will be supplied on all domestic subscriptions. Foreign orders sent without the division being specified will be handled in the same way but, the subscription prices will be just double the amount of the domestic subscriptions.

All subscriptions sent in for the Special Weekly List will be filled in regular serial order, from the papers published during 1926, 1927, 1928, according to the annual division specified, either by name or amount of remittance.

D. W. Reavis.

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News Notes

Mrs. C. P. Sorensen, who visited the new Mount Pleasant Sabbath School last Sabbath, reports that they are a Pennant School which indicates that they gave thirty cents per member per week and one dollar per member on the Thirteenth Sabbath last quarter.

A bake sale sponsored by the Takoma Park Church School was held on the Review and Herald lawn last week and netted them over seventy-five dollars. The money will be used to purchase equipment for the school.

To date fourteen of our new Sabbath School Pennants have been sent out to the Sabbath Schools deserving pennants. The pennants are purple and gold, with the wording, "Loyalty to Missions."

The Comus Sabbath School gave an average of \$1.05 per capita for the past quarter. Their Thirteenth Sabbath Offering was \$55.14 which was an average of \$9.19 per member.

The Alexandria Sabbath School gave an average of fifty-two cents per capita, Vienna, forty-nine cents; Alexandria No. 2, forty-two cents, and Takoma Park, Yale, and Capital Heights, an average of thirty-seven cents. Vienna and Takoma Park more than reached "Double Dollar Day" on the Thirteenth Sabbath.

Brother W. S. Mead, our conference Home Missionary Secretary, is visiting Fauquier, Rappahannock, Culpeper, Orange, and Louisa counties circulating the *Prohibition Signs of the Times* that were recently contributed by a gentleman in Washington. Elder A. J. Clark, Religious Liberty secretary for the Columbia Union, is also distributing these in Loudon County.

After completing our statistical report for the third quarter we find four church reports missing. They are Danville No. 2, Sligo, South Boston, and Stanley.

After compiling the figures from the churches reporting we find there were fifty-two baptized during the quarter, four added by profession of faith, and twenty-one by letter, making a total of seventy-seven. There were thirteen dropped by death, twenty-four by apostasy, and twenty-two by letter, or a total of fifty-nine. This leaves our net membership at the close of the third quarter 2,795.

Our tithe per capita for the quarter was \$12.03. This is a little less than that for the first and second quarters, nevertheless the mission offerings were much higher. They amounted to \$6.37 per member.

The tent in Washington, D. C., where Elder MacNeil has been conducting a series of meetings has been taken down. The meetings are now being held in the church every Sunday and Wednesday evening. Elder MacNeil reports a very good interest and prospects are good for a large baptismal class. No definite figures can be given at this time, however.

The work of our Medical Secretary during the meeting held in Washington, D. C., has demonstrated that this phase of the work is the right arm of the message." Many openings have been made through this work.

Elder Martin spoke at the Richmond No. 1 church, Sabbath, October 20. He brings an encouraging report from this church and states that every one is busy in the Harvest Ingathering. The amount turned in Sabbath was \$103 which makes their total to date \$407.76.

Copies of "Isaiah, the Gospel Prophet," Voll. II can still be obtained. If you want a copy of this little booklet which gives so many new thoughts on our Sabbath School Lesons for the quarter, order it today. The price is only twenty-five cents. Address Potomac Book and Bible House, 411 Cedar Street, Takoma Park, D. C.

Now is the time to be working with the new Home Workers' Books. With the first books which you buy, you are given a wonderful little case to hold the books. The case and books complete costs you only \$3.75. These books sell rapidly during this time of the year. The books and their price is as follows: "Best Stories", \$1.50; "Steps to Christ", \$1.00; "Making Home Happy", \$1.50; "Sketches of Bible Child Life", \$1.50; "Gospel Primer", \$1.00; and the four volumes of "Bedtime Stories" \$1.00. Remember the new satchel is given you free, with the first set of books. You make 50 per cent profit on each of the books sold. Order a case and set of books today. Address Potomac Book and Bible House, 411 Cedar Street, Takoma Park D. C.

A double wedding was solemnized at the home of Elder and Mrs. E. R. Numbers, Takoma Park, Maryland, Tuesday evening, October 16, when their daughter, Ethel Lucile, became the bride of Glenn A. Coon, and Miss Dorothy Patton became the bride of J. Edward Carr. The ceremony was performed by Elder Numbers, who has charge of our churches in the Williamsport District in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Coon will delay their honeymoon several months in order to respond to a call from the Mission Board of the General Conference to go to the East Caribbean Union Conference to engage in evangelistic work in the West Indies.

NEW JERSEY

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Elder F. H. Robbins is touring our conference. We are very much interested in the inspirational talks that he has given concerning the reports of the Fall Council, and we have been inspired to continue the good work already started in our Harvest Ingathering campaign and as a conference raise our full goal of \$12.00 per member. Shall we not rally and put our shoulder to the wheel and by our united effort accomplish the task that lies before us?

It was the privilege of our field secretary to visit the Field Missionary Secretaries' Convention held at Washington Missionary College October 7-10, also to visit the eight returning student colporteurs at the college. We believe that their success will be an incentive to gather others in the future from the large body of promising young people gathered there for the school year. We believe that the twenty-one young people now in Washington Missionary College from New Jersey will be able to pass along their testimony to many others who should be there to gain preparation for the needed harvest field not only at home but abroad.

WEST VIRGINIA

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A Providential Meeting

It was my privilege to meet with the Wheeling church Sabbath October 6. Elder Conger had a Home Missionary program all prepared. He was glad to welcome Brother I. M. Evans, Field Secretary from Ohio, and his assistant, Brother Charles Carter, who were on their way to Washington to attend a Field Secretaries' meeting.

Elder Conger opened the meeting by speaking about our publishing work. He presented about ten large sheets of paper about three feet long with names of many of our books and tracts, and told the church the importance of reading our good books, making it very clear that more should be selling our publications. Brethren Evans, Carter and myself all said Amen at the same time.

Brother Evans spoke next and related many good experiences as to what our good books and magazines are doing. As he spoke of how our good books are causing people to change their way of living, and many accepting Christ, his eyes were filled with tears. A colporteur meets with experiences and conditions that when they are told bring tears.

Brother Carter told how he came to America from England to search for wealth but found something better, the Third Angel's Message. He found the true riches through reading "Bible Readings for the Home Circle". He stated that the colporteur sowed the seed where Elder Conger could not go, and that West Virginia had many souls who were looking for the truth and urged more to take up the work.

Elder Conger reminded the church of the Testimonies, and several volumes were ordered. He also showed and gave out samples of tracts of which several thousand were ordered.

The Spirit of God was with us all through the meeting, and I must say I was very much impressed with the earnestness and faithfulness manifested by the Wheeling church. Elder Conger is planning strong on a church home for Wheeling and he told me his members are with him 100 per cent. Let us remember our Wheeling church when we pray.

A. G. Drott.

News Notes

"The Parable of the Wonderful Father", is the title of a new gift booklet just off the press. If you know of a wayward boy or girl, it will pay you to send 25c to the Book and Bible House and have a copy sent to them.

Brother Lynes reports the organization of a Sabbath School at St. Albans. May the Lord richly bless our colored believers in this place as they meet together from Sabbath to Sabbath to study God's word.

Elder Baierle reports that fifteen have definitely taken their stand for the truth in Elkins. Let us remember these new believers when we pray.

Brother Foggin of the Parkersburg church spent about two hours calling on some of his business friends in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work and received \$31.50. Brother Mead has written a number of letters, some of which are followed by a personal solicitation. Returns are coming in and the Lord is blessing in the work.

Did you notice the new offer made for Home Workers on the last page of the Visitor dated October 18? Many of our sisters should take advantage of this, and work for a large delivery just before Christmas. By working for the children we can often gain access to the older ones. For particulars on the "Home Workers Outfit" write to the Book and Bible House.

Nearly fifty baptisms have been reported so far this year in our conference. Our membership now stands at 465. Let us work and pray that we might reach the 500 mark by the close of this year.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

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News Notes

The Pittsburgh No. 1 church is nearing its Harvest Ingathering goal. They report \$1,475.57 on October 20.

The Meadville church reports that they are "over the top" in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

The Pittsburgh German church has raised \$174.89 above their goal, and are still working. One brother in this church has gathered in nearly \$600.00.

Sharon is within \$7.75 of their goal. They are working hard.

Elder and Sister Robbins, accompanied by Brother and Sister J. A. Kimmel, of Indiana, motored to Fountainhead, Tenn., starting Sunday, October 21. Sister Kimmel is entering the sanitarium there for treatment and rest.

Lest Ye Forget. Now is the opportune time to get your Home Workers' Outfit. Orders for the children will come easy at this time of the year. Parents are thinking of holiday presents for them. We furnish a beautiful case free, with a set of sample books, to every one who takes up this work. If you desire to spend a few hours a week in missionary work, and make a little extra money at the same time, you should order the Home Workers' Outfit at once. Several sets have been sold already. Remember that with your first set of books will be included, without additional charge, one of the new satchels. Only one such outfit will be sold to any one person. The satchel will not be sold separate from the books. Order now, \$3.75, plus postage.

Sunday evening, October 7, we received a letter at the office addressed to our former address, from a lady saying she had taken part in our annual Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and had collected several dollars. She wants to know how, and where to send it. This lady, not of our faith, has found it a pleasure to work for the Lord.

Monday A. M., October 15, word reached the office that the Bradford church is over their Ingathering goal, \$104.19. They have made \$14.73 per member, and are still working.

"A minister observing a man on the road breaking stones, and kneeling to get at his work better, remarked, 'Ah, John, I wish I could break every stony heart as easily as you are breaking those stones.' 'Perhaps, Master, you don't work on your knees,' was the answer."

The Pittsburgh German church reports \$51.44 over their goal, they have raised \$1231.44, making a fraction over \$10.99 per member, and they are still working.

The sad news of the death of Sister Amanda E. Koons reached us last week. Sister Koons was stricken with paralysis, and after an illness of short duration, she passed away Thursday, October 11. The funeral services were conducted by Elder C. W. Weber, assisted by Brother E. D. Thompson, at Ellwood City. Sister Koons is well known in our conference. She has been a faithful, consecrated Christian.

OHIO

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God Leads the Colporteur



The last two weeks have been full of rich blessings and experiences for me as I have labored with the faithful colporteurs of Southern Ohio. I have enjoyed the long looked-for experience of going out with Brethren Alexander and Craig. We had some varied experiences, one of which I will recall.

Brother Alexander and I went to a home and a lady from the next house was there and as I was giving the canvass she stopped me by saying they had plenty of books and she had her Bible and that was enough. I tried to convince her that this was a book she needed, but with no avail. She left and went home. Shortly after we left the home and went to the next house, and this house was where she lived, but she wouldn't come outside. Her husband was a doctor and was sitting on the porch. Brother Alexander introduced "Heralds of the Morning" and talked a little. He interrupted by using some awful words against religion and the professed Christians and his neighbors. We, of course, let him talk and then he began to ridicule the things of the Bible, such as Jonah and the Whale, and Noah and the Flood. After he had attacked them he started again about the iniquity of the churches. I quoted Matt. 24:12 and told him he was fulfilling that scripture, and he saw it. We talked to him a little longer and offered up a silent prayer to God to change his heart and He did. He soon asked the price of the book and took it in the full leather binding, paying for it by check right there.

Our God can change the hearts of evil men when we ask him, for **PRAYER CHANGES THINGS**. These men have trials just as we do.

I worked with Brother Craig two days in Cincinnati and we had some good experiences together. He said he would take me into territory where he had not worked, but to my surprise as we would go to the homes nearly all of them knew him, and it was apparently easy to get orders from them. Our sales for the four days were over \$100.

These experiences show me the importance of residential canvassing. The people learn to know us and have confidence in us and our literature, if we leave the right impression the first time we meet them. Brother Alexander and I sold one book for four bushel of potatoes, and made arrangements to get apples for another. He

delivered the full leather book for the potatoes the next day. So the Lord will help us to provide for our temporal needs while we are helping the people in their spiritual needs.

As I was out with one of the students this summer we had a real experience. We went to a home in Portsmouth, O. and talked with the lady. She wanted the book but it seemed we could not get the order. Her daughter was sick. I asked her if she believed in prayer and she said she did. I asked to have prayer with them, and as we rose from our knees and were getting ready to leave the lady said, "I want one of those books": When I asked for a deposit the sick daughter said, "Mother, I will give them this dollar you gave me to buy things with". Indeed this was a good experience for the student who was with me.

I am thankful that there is a God in heaven, Whom we serve, Who knows where the humblest of His workers are and will hear us when we call upon Him in time of need, especially when there is a soul to be saved that is seeking for light and truth. I wish there were more of our young people taking part in this great work of scattering the printed page. Brethren and Sisters of the Ohio Conference, we need more workers to take the place of these young people who have been out in the field but who are now returning to school this winter. Is the Lord impressing your heart to take up this work? If he is get in touch with Brother Evans or the writer. While I am writing this a man came here and told me the book Brother Booth sold him is a wonderful book and that he is reading it.

I had the privilege of meeting with the Portsmouth church last Sabbath and talked to them of the Blessed Hope of a soon-coming Saviour. In the afternoon the Young people met again and we enjoyed a spiritual refreshing together. This church is working hard in the Harvest Ingathering endeavoring to reach their goal. I could tell you many more experiences but space will not permit.

Your brother in Christian service,
Geo. H. Carter.

News Notes

Brother A. W. Perrine, who, with his wife, teaches the Camden-Clarksfield school, Brother O. A. Wolcott, Sisters Kistler and Lanphere, and some of the young people from the school, worked in Sandusky October 12. Over \$75 Harvest Ingathering was received. January 1 Camden had 44 members, and Clarksfield had 46. We hope that both churches reach their Ingathering goals this year.

In Toledo recently, Elder Guenther and Brother Ray Stevenson, and Sisters Helen Greunke and Quackenbush and others worked among the retail merchants in the campaign. Brother Stevenson now has \$100 Ingathering donations. His is the first order for the Home Worker's canvassing outfit in Ohio. The prospects are bright for Toledo's reaching their goal. Last year this church raised almost \$2,000 in the campaign, thus going "over the top".

Holiday gift time for many will soon be here, but the beautiful Home Worker's sample case and its nine books are already here for your order, at the Ohio Book and Bible House, Box 517. The outfit consists of the

following named books, cloth bound,—“Christ Our Saviour”, “Steps to Christ”, “Making Home Happy” “Best Stories”, “Gospel Primer Number 2” and “Bed-time Stories” in paper binding, four complete books. The cost of the nine books, to the prospective worker, is \$3.75. For faithful work in canvassing for the books, the worker will be given the attractive fiber case free. Order your outfit now and begin taking orders.

Miss Peary Kattleman, of Toledo, is teaching the Bowling Green church school. On a recent Sunday (Sunday is the best day for Harvest Ingathering) Miss Kattleman and several of her pupils, and Brother Guy Corder, worked in North Baltimore. Wednesday, the 17th, Sisters Meckstroth and Shuler assisted in obtaining over \$60 for missions, by two o'clock that day. We pray that Bowling Green will reach their goal this year. We want to see them on the “Victorious Roll”.

Hamilton, New Philadelphia, Toledo Hungarian, and Youngstown now take their place among the victorious churches in the campaign. In the next few weeks, a number more will claim a place. This year we expect to see new names among them. Last year the Toledo Hungarian church of thirteen members raised \$457.63. For September, 14 of this church's 15 members reported missionary work. Recently the writer heard the children there, under Brother Tarry's leadership, say the ten commandments in the Hungarian language. It is truly inspiring to see the interest in the truth manifested by the people in this church.

It will not be long before almost all our conference workers will have reached their Harvest Ingathering goals. Brother E. R. Corder reports that he is nearing the \$400 mark. Some of the lay members have already raised \$100 in the campaign. There should be the most diligent efforts put forth now for the reaching of our \$30,000 conference goal. Every church should do its best. To the extent that we fail, because of procrastination and indolence, to reach our individual goals, to that degree do we contribute to the failure to reach our church and conference goals. “God expects every man to do his duty”.

The December *Church Officer's Gazette* has just arrived. The paper is full of good things for every church officer. The paper contains the program for Home Missionary Day, December 1. The subject is: “Evangelism by the Divine Plan”. Let all churches concerned get a little nearer the divine plan by regularly observing, in practice, Home Missionary Day each month.

M. V. A. students and teachers had their annual Harvest Ingathering field day Monday, October 22. A Mt. Gilead business man, Methodist, told two of our workers that his denomination was compelled to withdraw over two hundred of their missionaries from the field this year because of lack of means. In a recent communication from Takoma Park we learn that our Harvest Ingathering funds (denomination's totals) supports each year four hundred missionaries. Our Ingathering money, in the total, constitutes 27¾ per cent of all our denomination's gifts to missions. Harvest Ingathering is the denomination's “greatest single enterprise”. Are you a part of the enterprise?

“He jests at scars who never felt a wound.—
Shakespeare.”

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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The Rowers

Having grown up on the coast of Newfoundland, it was a common thing for me, with other boys, to travel from point to point by boat. Sometimes one would do the rowing with oars, while on some occasions there would be one person to each oar. Everything went splendidly as long as the two oarsmen kept the pace and pulled a steady even stroke.

Once we had a rower who was more inclined to give orders than to pull the oar, and he soon tired. That naturally allowed his side of the boat to drag. The steady rowing on the starboard side by the other boy caused the boat to circle around and around, making no headway toward land. Instead of following one star as a guide, the boat was trying to follow all the stars but got nowhere.

As M. Volunteers you hold the same relationship to the church in all her missionary undertakings, including the Harvest Ingathering. Now if you will rest on your oar, you know how the church will go,—never toward the goal. Into a crisis such as we have entered now, we cannot afford to rest on the oars, for we are too near the rocks of eternity. Let each rower pull on his oar, that the boat may head straight for port,—a successful goal.

George Butler.

News Notes

We are glad to welcome Brother and Sister Bachman of the Lebanon Church into the colporteur work. Brother Bachman will take up his work in Adams County. This is one of the counties in our conference in which no work has been done as yet, and we look for a harvest from the seed which Brother Bachman will sow.

Elder Prout with Elder F. H. Robbins visited our churches in Tioga County where a union meeting of the churches was held. Elder Butler was also with them and plans to begin a series of week end conventions with churches throughout the conference, beginning with the churches in that district.

Elder Prout spoke in the West Philadelphia and Media churches on Sabbath, October 20. These churches were very glad to have visit from our Conference President.

Elder Cox recently baptized twenty-three persons as a result of his recent tent effort. There is a large baptismal class being conducted and another baptism will be held in the near future. We are glad for these additions to our Colored work in Philadelphia.

A Teachers' Institute will be held in the North Philadelphia Church November 2, 3, 4, and 5. All church school teachers throughout the conference will attend this institute.

Brother G. A. Perrine, of the Pacific press writes that a splendid endorsement of the Tobacco Special of the *Little Friend* has been given by the Superintendent of Public Instruction in California and the California public schools are already placing orders, 3,500 going to San Jose and 1,600 to Glendale, while others will be responding in the next week or two. Let us in the Columbia Union do our part.

On Sabbath October 14th, Elder Carlyle B. Haynes spoke to a Union meeting of the churches in and around Philadelphia. The meeting was held in the Gethsemane Methodist Episcopal Church which was loaned to us for this purpose, and about six hundred of our people were present. The meeting was an inspiration to all and at the close \$470.00 was given to missions in cash and pledges.

A meeting of the conference committee was held in the conference office on Tuesday October 15th.

We are glad to report a large tithe from our churches for the month of September, totaling over \$10,000.00. We also received an aqual amount for missions which brings our per capita up to about 45c per week.

Elder Prout visited our tent effort in Lansdale last Friday night and spoke to a very interested audience. It is hoped that quite a few souls will take their stand for the truth.

We were made very sad when the news reached the office of the death of Elder D. D. Ehrhardt, formerly of our conference, but who for the past few years has been laboring in one of the European Conferences. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Sister Ehrhardt in this hour of her sorrow.

J. R. Britt, Cincinnati	BR	44	41.75	38.75
Mrs. J. R. Britt, Cincinnati	BR	34	33.35	29.55
J. Cheripko, Lorain	OD	32	56.25	9.00
R. B. Craig, Cincinnati	PP	55	139.00	112.00
*Tilford Daily, Scioto Co.	BR	75	131.50	11.25
C. J. Deavers, Columbus	PP	39	31.50	3.50
Ed. Deitemeyer, Akron	PP	33	85.15	9.25
S. E. Curry, Cleveland	PP	44	66.50	16.50
D. Dickerhoff, Toledo	RJ	30	26.65	58.25
H. W. Gigax, Toledo	PP	20	24.00	38.50
Fred Hannah, Bridgeport	PP	45	45.00	19.00
James Hannah, Toronto	DR	26	10.00	6.00
Edith Hanvey, Toledo	RJ	27	6.65	40.25
Estel Lackey, Chillicothe	BF	18	23.50	.50
P. Lipscomb, Lima	RJ	42	62.25	29.---
C. McCampbell, Cleveland	RJ	39	42.00	9.50
Wallace Mook, Akron	COL			76.75
E. Morris, Chillicothe	BF	21	25.00	
R. S. Schoonard, Columbus	PP	61	97.00	6.75
W. Slusher, Springfield	RJ	41	65.50	12.25
Mrs. H. Wilson, Youngstown	RJ	30	14.50	17.50
Y. Wimberly, Cincinnati	BR	39	44.00	47.50
James Zeigler, Akron	COL			31.00

Totals 25 colporteurs 839 \$1219.05 \$673.50

COLPORTEURS' REPORTS

Name Place Book Hrs. Orders Del'd

Potomac, Week Ending October 13, 1928
John A. Bee, Field Missionary Secretary

A. H. Antisdale, Wash.	LH	26	8.30	8.30
G. H. Clark, Roanoke	WCS	5	2.50	2.50
R. S. Finch, Staunton,	PP	31	42.25	10.25
H. C. Wilcox, Wash.	DA	41	81.25	20.00

Totals 4 colporteurs 103 \$134.30 \$41.05

Chesapeake, Week Ending October 13, 1928
W. H. Groves, Field Missionary Secretary

J. E. Jones, Rock Hall	RJ	8		70.00
Mary Queen, Balti.	RJ	8	15.00	3.75
Ada B. Thomas, Balti.	RJ	35	60.25	3.75
W. Yonson, Bali.	WCS	40	35.75	33.25

Totals 4 colporteurs 91 \$111.00 \$110.75

New Jersey, Week Ending October 13, 1928
F. E. Thumwood, Field Missionary Secretary

Mrs. J. Jenssen, Paterson	Misc	36	49.70	36.26
Wm. Fitschen, Woodcliff	BR	40	53.00	6.90
Herman Brandt, Trenton	RJ	33	57.00	3.50
G. W. Blinn, Burlington	RJ	35	41.00	
*F. Zimmerly, Trenton	WCS	78	160.00	45.50
Mrs. L. Watson, Union City	Mag	25		25.00
Miss. M. Miller, Shiloh	Mag	10		8.75
Mrs. M. Isaac, Pleasantville	Mag	30	50.00	50.00

Totals 8 colporteurs 287 \$410.70 \$175.91

West Virginia, Week Ending October 20, 1928
A. G. Drott, Field Missionary Secretary

E. G. Belcher, Charleston	RJ	45	82.00	43.25
F. A. Cadle, Mason Co.	PP	47	31.25	77.00
N. S. Marriott, Hardy Co.	RJ	43	153.89	
Mabel Newberger, Wheeling	WCS		142.75	142.75
J. W. Walker, Cabell Co.	PP	29	19.00	139.25
Fred Wenger, Roane Co.	RJ	60	147.75	
Georgia Willard, Morgantown	RJ	8	22.55	

Totals 7 colporteurs 232 \$599.19 \$402.25

Ohio, Week Ending October 20, 1928
I. M. Evans, Field Missionary Secretary

E. C. Alexander, Cincinnati	PP	46	104.25	39.75
J. Booth, Portsmouth	PP	39	43.75	11.45

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D. W. Reavis.

**MISSION FUND STATEMENT
WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE
FOR NINE MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1928**

Church	S. S.	Don.	Har.	Ing.	Misc.	Total	A Week per cap.
5							
Bluefield	114.02	164.80	42.10	320.92	1.65		
8							
Weirton	273.26		59.65	332.91	1.06		
40							
Wheeling	491.64	549.96	115.69	1157.29	.74		
8							
Beckley	98.95	102.47	11.46	212.88	.68		
70							
Parkersburg	1106.46	137.79	499.66	1743.91	.63		
8							
St. Albans	114.62	18.17	21.27	154.06	.49		
45							
Charleston No. 1	553.31	116.03	79.02	748.36	.42		
45							
Huntington	571.29	56.96	93.08	721.33	.41		
25							
Cumberland	248.53	55.58	82.67	386.78	.39		
30							
Charleston No. 2	241.27	76.72	84.10	402.09	.34		
80							
Conference	560.47	118.10	304.92	983.49	.31		
25							
Morgantown	218.94	52.41	35.72	307.07	.31		
12							
Chester	106.28	19.00	10.00	135.28	.29		
25							
Clarksburg	200.89	35.18	10.37	246.44	.25		
5							
Mt. Clare	27.68	20.00	2.50	50.18	.25		
6							
Ravenswood	38.56		.50	39.06	.16		
6							
Kanawha	23.26	.25		23.51	.10		

4989.43 1523.42 1452.71 7965.56

Conference per capita 51 cents

**COMPARATIVE TITHE REPORT
WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE
FOR NINE MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1928**

Church	1927	1928	Decrease	Increase
Beckley		140.80		140.80
Bluefield	200.79	201.82		1.03
Charleston No. 1	2416.00	2536.45		120.45
Charleston No. 2	512.46	494.65	17.81	
Chester	245.49	323.04		77.55
Clarksburg	198.99	194.79	4.20	
Conference	3811.54	2118.98	1692.56	
Cumberland	610.07	607.97	2.10	
Huntington	1583.82	1735.66		151.84
Kanawha	245.78	140.68	105.10	
Morgantown	476.81	500.96		24.15
Mt. Clare	35.86	46.04		10.18
Parkersburg	3108.75	2999.14	109.61	
Ravenswood	226.03	171.28	54.75	
Wheeling	1426.13	1501.84		75.71
Weirton	296.29	508.15		211.86
St. Albans		296.72		296.72
Net Decrease	15,394.811	14,518.97	1,986.13	1,110.29
		875.84		875.84
	15,394.81	15,394.81	1,986.13	1,986.13

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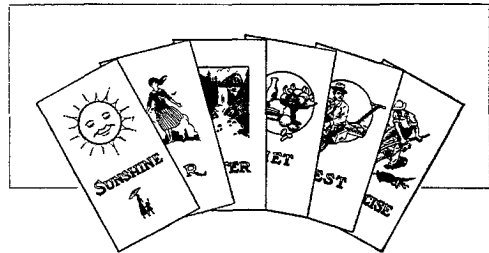
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