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WORK... WHILE IT IS DAY:
THE NIGHT COMETH, WHEN
NO MAN CAN WORK. John 9:4

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You Can Win Souls

I believe every lay member in this denomination has at some time been possessed of a desire to win a soul. Particularly was this true when the message first came to you, and I hope that desire has not left you and that you are still possessed with a longing to see your relatives, friends and neighbors brought to a knowledge of present truth.

At this time, when our finances for evangelism are low and it has been necessary to drop many workers from the pay rolls, we are counting more than ever on our church members helping to advance the message. We recognize that not all can engage in public work, but we believe that every lay member can place our literature in the hands of those whom they wish to win. No better opportunity presents itself to do this than the coming *Signs of the Times* campaign, February 5 to 19, and every lay member, so far as he is able, should send one or more year's subscription to his friends.

The *Signs of the Times* magazine, coming as it does fifty-two times in the year, is one of our strongest agencies to win men and women to the truth. Hundreds of people have accepted the message through this medium in the past, and we believe that hundreds more will do so in 1933. A recent experience of one of our brethren indicates the soul-winning effectiveness of the *Signs*. He says, "A year ago I placed the *Signs* with a family with whom I came in contact during the Harvest Ingathering campaign. This year when I visited them again I was pleased to find that one member of the family is keeping the Sabbath, and that others are very much interested." Would you not like to have an experience like this? Have you done all that you can to win your neighbor? Are you sure that in the judgment day God will not hold you accountable for them?

The person who is provided with a year's subscription to the *Signs* will receive as much reading material as is furnished in three large books the size of "Desire of Ages." And all of this will cost only one dollar for each paper subscribed for in the church club and remailed to different addresses; or \$1.25 for five or more copies to different addresses, sent direct from the publishing house. For less than five subscriptions sent to different addresses the price is \$1.40 each.

Please do not delay this important matter. The eternal destiny of souls is at stake, and what joy there will be in your heart to know that God has used this simple means, and that souls have been won through your efforts.

—E. F. Hackman,

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The Spirit of the Message

"When the church shall truly have the spirit of the message, they will throw all their energies into the work of saving souls for whom Christ has died. They will enter new fields. . . There will be laymen who will move into towns and cities, and into apparently out of the way places, that they may let the light which God has given them, shine forth to others." C. S. p. 180:

Only yesterday a brother said, "I am closing my business in this town and am going into the largest section of the state where we have no believers, and build up a work for God."

From many quarters laymen are laying plans to spring into action. This is as it should be for in the early days of the message, "Farmers left their fields, mechanics their tools, traders their merchandise, professional men their positions; and yet the number of workers was small in comparison with the work to be accomplished. The condition of an ungodly church and a world lying in wickedness, burdened the souls of the true watchman, and they willingly endured toil, privation, and suffering, that they might call men to repentance unto salvation. Though opposed by Satan, the work went steadily forward, and the advent truth was accepted by many thousands." G. C. p. 368.

The time is ripe for another mighty forward movement. God's work will not close in a corner, and His work will be accomplished through human agents. Three factors are necessary in the life of every true man of God. Namely prayer, Bible Study and Missionary activity. One or two of these essentials must not be emphasized to the exclusion of the other — all are necessary. Luther, at Augsburg, spent three hours a day in prayer. Often Jesus spent the entire night in prayer. Every church member should be a man of prayer.

Never should we lose sight of the fact that much Bible study is needed to cope with world conditions today. The instruction is in the Word and it is the duty of all who are followers of Jesus to store the mind with the precious promises. "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through dust." 2 Peter 1:4.

Missionary activity must be coupled with study and prayer for we read in C. S. p 83. "Let no one think that he is at liberty to fold his hands and do nothing. That anyone can be saved in indolence and inactivity is an utter impossibility."

The call to service will be answered by the coming of the man. God's work in the earth will be finished and the time will soon come when Jesus will throw down the

censer and say, "It is done." Probation's hour is fast closing, and God's servants have no time to lose.

"Men of faith and prayer will be constrained to go forth with holy zeal declaring the words which God gives them." G. C. p. 606:

In Vol. 9 we are told that hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families and opening the Bible to them.

The call is for laborers, so let us, as did a prophet of old, send back the answer, "Here am I, send Me."

—E. A. Manry.

It Should Enlist All

In the heart of every Seventh-day Adventist there is a desire to bring some one else to the acceptance of the truth. In every audience when the question is asked as to relatives who should be reached, hands go up. We all have them.

During this time when our people are renewing their *Signs* work, and planning to put more *Signs* into action, there is a call to every believer to enlist. There should come to mind the relatives. Maybe, under changed conditions, the hearts and attitudes of some may be changed. They may be more willing to read. The *Signs* has an appeal these days such as the ordinary paper hasn't. There isn't any publication that is so up-to-date.

I have just heard from a leader in one of our western churches, happy now in the fact that her sister in New Jersey and four children are in the church. "I believe the *Signs*, together with tracts on certain subjects that were presented in the *Signs*, were directly responsible for her accepting this precious truth "this year," she writes. Then with enthusiasm she tells of the interests of almost a dozen others to whom she is supplying the paper.

The widow of a physician wrote us that she was burdened for her husband's relatives, and would send a list of names as soon as she could get the money. Before she sealed her letter the postman brought a remittance from a former patient, that made it possible to make up the list and send the money.

Another member sent twelve cents in stamps to have some copies of the *Signs* go to her brother in Massachusetts. She must have written him. Immediately he ordered a year's subscription and a few weeks later sent a list of 53 names of residents of his town, with instruction to send each of them a certain issue of the *Signs* that especially appealed to him.

This is the time to launch out and put the *Signs* into the hands of relatives and friends, far and near. Very rarely are *Signs* refused these days.

At the missionary rate of \$1.40 each you can have yearly subscriptions to any U. S. A. address entered at the *Signs* office. These you can include with your order to your Church Missionary Secretary. Then help in the church club, and have as large a part as you can in personally using the *Signs* to strengthen your own work of soul winning.

—J. R. Ferren.

"We are not doing one-twentieth part of what God requires us to do. There has been a departure from the simplicity of the work, making it intricate, difficult to understand, and difficult to execute. The judgment and wisdom of man rather than God, has too often guided and controlled. Many feel that they have not time to reach for souls as they that must give account. And what excuse will you render for the neglect of the important work which was theirs to do."—Vol. 5, p. 11.

Help Wanted and the Wages Right

"Every one desires to do the right thing at the right time but many are perplexed as to the thing to do and the time to begin. Here the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy come in to help us. "For the kingdom of Heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard." This verse gives us the time, — early in the morning; and the place, — His vineyard. The fourth verse of the 20th chapter of Matthew, tells us the wages, — "Whatsoever is right I will give you." Now we have the time, the place, and the wages. At this point the Spirit of Prophecy helps us to get a broader idea as to the sort of work to do.

"If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures. Missionary work introducing our publications into families, conversing, and praying with and for them — is a good work." C. S., p. 145. Today we have a wonderful display of Crisis Series books and magazines coming from our publishing houses. The prices are low, and this literature contains just what the public needs. "God calls upon his people to act like living men and not be indolent, sluggish, and indifferent. We must carry the publications to the people and urge them to accept." C. S., p. 146.

What a strange situation confronts us; an urgent call for laborers, wages right, work agreeable, best of instructors (angels) to accompany you to the dwellings you visit, yet we find many in the market place saying "no man hath hired us." From every church in the Union members should be going from house to house with our literature. Once a month every business and professional man should be visited with some publication. There is plenty of work for all.

Is it not possible that the missionary committee in every church could study the local situation carefully and then, while assigning each member his post of duty, to see to it that God's call for laborers to work today in his vineyard is not neglected? We are told that the leaders in God's cause are to lay plans for advance moves all along the line. When this instruction is followed, we will see scores who are now idle, entering into this great field of opportunity. Publishing houses will find it necessary to take on more help and ministers will have many new faces in their churches to greet them from Sabbath to Sabbath.

We have been, as it were, asleep, now it is high time for us to awake. "Church members awake to the importance of the circulation of our literature, and devote more time to this work." C. S., p. 147.

E. A. Manry.

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Conventions

A Convention was held in Rock Hall on Sabbath, January 21. The Sabbath School, Home Missionary, Missionary Volunteer, and Educational Departments came in for consideration and a deep interest was manifested by everyone present. The meeting began Friday evening when a Symposium was conducted stressing the many ways and means our lay members can use in forwarding this Message. Elder Manry of the Union, Elder Walleker, and Miss Walleker took part. On Sabbath we had with us Elder Schmidt, Professor Neff of the Union, and Brother Crawford. Professor Neff occupied the pulpit for the morning service and in the afternoon topics of interest were considered from every department. Various members of the church took an active part by presenting certain of the topics.

On Sabbath, January 28, a Convention was conducted at Dover, Delaware. Elder J. C. Thompson of the General Conference Sabbath School Department and Brother Crawford, Miss Walleker, and Miss Hebble of the office attended. Some members from Grasonville and Cheswood were also present. Elder Thompson spoke at the eleven o'clock service and in the afternoon Convention work was carried on. In these Conventions which have been held, we feel that great help and inspiration have been received and we are looking forward to greater accomplishments during 1933 — many souls being won to this wonderful Truth as a result of the work of our faithful lay members.

Harvest Ingathering in Delaware

The Harvest Ingathering Trumpeters of the Eastern Shore have been breaking the pitchers, letting the light of Salvation shine, and gathering the wealth of the gentiles for the work of the Lord in foreign mission endeavor. The experiences have been in many ways remarkable and the results wonderful.

The Dover church was the first church over the top for \$12.00 goal per capita in the conference. It cooperated 100%. Whiteleysburg came in second with the splendid leadership of Elder N. I. Cobb. I found this church always willing to go. Rock Hall with a membership of 103 ran out of territory weeks ago gathering to date \$530. Their earnest group of workers were always willing to do and cooperate. The Cheswood church has practically reached its \$10 General Conference goal to date.

At Grasonville we have trumpeters that do things. They decided to go over the top in three weeks. Taking a group to the southern part of our territory, which had been worked, we visited all the business sections of at least 14 towns in two days and gathered \$47.00, and \$23.00 the next week. We still lacked \$21.00 on a Wednesday, It was pouring. We prayed and started in this weather to the finest section of Dover—the wealthy class. After receiving 14 one dollar bills and 2—two dollar bills we lacked one cent, and we soon had that, the \$21.00 was made at 9 P. M. Raining all day, water soaked, and our Grasonville goal of \$540.00 was reached. The Lord went before us, and the God of Jacob was

our rereward. In several churches we had Harvest Ingathering Relief for Missions—then the following evening the things donated such as potatoes—pumpkins—jars of the fruit and vegetables etc., were sold at one of the members homes, which netted a goodly sum for each church. Quite some jewelry was turned in for missions—such as bracelets, watches—wedding rings etc., which was sold at the Penn Smelting Co. in Philadelphia which brought to us over \$30.00. In this short report we can truthfully say, the God of Israel was with His people on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and Delaware going before us. Our great difficulty was not in receiving the “wealth of the gentiles”, but it was in the fact that our territory was all covered by December in the house to house work. I trained quite a number in this work for the first time. The Harvest Ingathering Relief is a training school for the laity. First Prayer, second Training, third Service. The churches were greatly cheered when we brought the means into the treasury of the Lord, with the rich experiences gained while in service for Christ.

Now, we are ready for evangelism in winning souls to His service.

Yours for a speedy finishing of the work.

—Elder Wm. F. Schmidt.

News Notes

Our hearts were made sad when we received the news of Brother John Thomas' death which occurred very suddenly. Brother Crawford was called to conduct the funeral service which was held Sunday afternoon, January 29.

Brother L. L. Skinner of the Southern Publishing Association was a recent visitor at the office. He conducted an illustrated lecture at the Missionary Volunteer meeting of the Baltimore No. 1 church, Friday night, January 27 and called for this particular purpose. There was a fine attendance at both meetings, and his visit was surely appreciated.

Our Sabbath School report has just been compiled for 1932 and how happy we are to state that in spite of the hard times our faithful, loyal members are sacrificing to see this Message go forward. Our per capita for the year was .193. While this is not as large as we wish it were, yet we know that our members have really sacrificed. And we know the work will go forward rapidly as a result of the earnest efforts on the part of the laity. A total of \$2813.00 was turned in for the last quarter. The schools which deserve pennants for the quarter are: Cambridge, Dover No. 1, Grasonville, Laurel, Maryland, Rock Hall, Middleton, Delaware, and Wilmington No. 1. We surely congratulate these schools for their excellent work in the Sabbath Schools and we are looking forward to greater things being done in 1933. We hope that we will be able to increase our Sabbath School enrollment and that many souls will be won to the Lord as a result of faithful Sabbath School members. “Onward, Ever Onward — Chesapeake!” This is our motto.

We are made happy to know of so many of our periodicals going into the homes of the people in Chesapeake. Within the last six months 125,000 copies of the *Present Truth* have been placed in our Conference. Also 5000 copies of the “World Crisis” books. We know that our literature will bring forth fruit in the Kingdom of God and how anxious we are for every member to be scattering our literature in this time when we realize that we are so near the coming of the Lord.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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Harrisburg

We have been using the radio WCOD each Thursday afternoon for over four months since coming here. This half hour is free being one of the regular vesper periods of the station. While I was told that I could use this time as I saw fit yet I have respected this free time and have been somewhat guarded as to declaring the most unpopular phases of our message. We have, however, presented many of our precious gems of truth and laid a good foundation for future work.

This broadcast has brought "The Little Brick Church" at 615 N. 17th Street into favor with the public and when we announced a Sunday night service to begin Jan. 15th it seemed to appeal to the people for the church was full that first night. A deep interest was manifested and has continued ever since. Never have I seen a congregation of people so hungry for the truth since the war days. Our people are of good courage and and rejoice to see the folks they have invited coming out. One man who was converted over our radio in the Fall appeared the first night and has been out ever since.

The spirit of revival is coming into the church and this same spirit seems to be gripping the outsiders on Sunday evening. Pray for Harrisburg.

H. A. Vandeman

Allentown District Report

It has been several months since I have mailed in a report for the VISITOR columns. Since August 15, last we have been located here in our new district — the Allentown District or District No. 6. Our home address is 1934 Livingston St., Allentown, Pa.

Naturally on arriving here our first responsibility was the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. I feel that every one of our five churches and companies are deserving of great credit for the loyalty and determination shown in the Harvest Ingathering work. In my judgment 1932 was the hardest year we have ever faced in the collection of Missions funds. Yet in the face of all this human impossibility by December 10 every one of the churches of this district had raised for the conference its full \$12.00 per capita quota. One of these churches, Easton, reached its \$12.00 quota December 3, and all four of the others reached the \$12.00 mark together on December 10. The year closed with these churches standing respectively as follows: Allentown \$12.00, Easton \$13.80, Emaus \$12.01, Stroudsburg \$12.00, Zionsville \$12.66, making an average for the district of \$12.22. It is with a distinct sense of awe and thankfulness to God that I survey such results in such a year of depression. It did involve an undying appeal to God that could not be denied. Due credit must be accorded our former Bible Worker, Mrs. Lydia Kester, who worked so loyally in the campaign.

The year 1933 has come to us with bright prospects. While it was my privilege during 1932 to baptize 30 persons without any conference expense for efforts, we solicit the prayers of our VISITOR readers that 1933 may be still more fruitful.

A remarkable interest has developed here in Allentown among the Syrians. In response to urgent letters Brother Paul Baroudi of the New York Conference recently spent ten days with us following up this interest. He came entirely upon a self-supporting basis and when he left for home nine or ten heads of families had promised to keep the Sabbath. He hopes to return soon with three other Syrian laymen to continue the work for this hungry people. Last Sabbath seven splendid Syrian men were present at our regular church services. Let us all pray that a Syrian church be raised up in Allentown.

I must not neglect to add that last Sabbath morning it was my pleasure to baptize three fine people at Stroudsburg and they were taken into the Stroudsburg church. This was made possible through Bible studies given by Brother Tunis Banks assisted by faithful church members.

Profitable Colporteurs' Institute

A very profitable colporteurs' institute was held in the North Philadelphia German church January 13 to 21. We were favored with splendid help this year.

Elder C. E. Weaks of the General Conference addressed the colporteurs the first Sabbath and remained with us until Wednesday. He conducted the general instruction period each day, which was greatly appreciated by all the colporteurs. On account of other appointments Elder J. W. Mace could only spend one day with us, but he gave a real inspiration to the institute. Elder E. M. Fishell was present throughout the entire time of the institute, sharing in the general instruction. He and Brother Ridenour gave unusual leadership in carrying out the daily program. The *Review and Herald* was represented by Brethren C. E. Palmer and Clarence Lawry. Valuable counsel was given by these brethren in the relation of the colporteurs and the Book and Bible House to the publishing house.

There were about thirty colporteurs in attendance. Most all the regulars of the men colporteurs set their goal at 40 hours per week and \$1.00 per hour, and the lady colporteurs at 35 hours per week and \$1.00 per hour. Fourteen set their goal to deliver 200 of the large books during the year, in harmony with the new plan voted by the Review and Herald and the Columbia Union committees.

One of the commendable features of the institute was the splendid entertainment. A very suitable house was secured where the meals were served and comfortable rooms were provided for the colporteurs. Mrs. J. R. Ridenour and Mrs. William Higgins rendered valuable service in providing three good meals a day for the colporteurs and visiting workers. These sisters worked hard, but felt repaid by the appreciation expressed by all who were served at the dining room.

We were honored by having our Union Conference president, Elder H. J. Detwiler, attend the institute the last Sabbath. His timely message gave a splendid climax to one of the best colporteur institutes ever conducted in East Pennsylvania.

The colporteurs all returned to their fields greatly inspired with the help they received and with a determination to make 1933 a banner year.

W. M. Robbins.

Hundreds of men and women now idle could do acceptable service. By carrying the truth into the homes of their friends and neighbors, they could do a great work for the Master.—"Testimonies," Vol. 7, p. 20.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

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A Happy World Field

In writing this last "Visitor" report of our West Pennsylvania 1932 Harvest Ingathering campaign, we wish first of all to acknowledge God's manifest and constant presence throughout the campaign. In answer to unceasing prayers, God in providential ways, led us on, giving our brethren and sisters favor with the world. With the spirit of God manifestly directing, difficulties were overcome and church after church, district upon district, went over the top in their high Ingathering goals.

To the praise of God, and through the united efforts of all, we are enabled to report that for the first time in the history of the Conference, West Pennsylvania has reached the high \$12.00 per capita Ingathering goal for the entire Conference! We understand that this Conference field is the only one among all our North American Conferences that has reached this high \$12.00 per capita goal. Our loyal believers will be pleased to learn that in achieving this goal, we are passing on to the General Conference through our Union Office a grand total of \$12,117.22, which includes a gift for our suffering missions, overflowing the General Conference \$10.00 per capita standard by more than \$2,000.

Every district in the conference but one reached the \$12 district goal and the only district that did not make this goal is nevertheless to be congratulated in that they raised more than \$150 over their last year's record. With but only two exceptions, every church in the conference reached this same high peak of achievement, while some churches climbed upward to the higher peaks of \$13, \$14, and close to \$17 per capita!

The Pittsburgh No. 1 church led by Elder L. H. King made several records: Their Young Peoples' singing band solicited nearly \$1,500 in sixty nights of singing; this church showed the largest amount (\$268.51) of increase over last year of any one church; and it has been stated that excepting Pittsburgh No. 1, our world leaders are unaware of any other church in North America of 200 or more members that reached the high \$12 per capita goal in this 1932 Ingathering campaign!

As we think again of the campaign in this trying 1932 year, we are led to admire our conference-wide courageous, willing, God-fearing and persevering brethren and sisters whose cooperative endeavors made possible this splendid achievement. We appreciate much all the good that has been done, and hereby thank each one. God in heaven has recognized all this willing service, a book of remembrance is written and all are assured of divine recompense for every sacrifice. Inspiration declares: "Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God." (Acts 10:4).

As we review the work of our ministers and conference workers and their valiant service for God in this signally successful campaign, our appreciation wells up in the following words of scripture: "My heart is toward the governors of Israel, that offered themselves willing among the people. Bless ye the Lord." (Judges 5:9.)

Thus another West Pennsylvania Ingathering campaign goes into history, the results of which make not only "A Happy Conference President," but also a happy local conference, a happy Union conference, a happy General Conference, a happy mission field — in fact,

WEST VIRGINIA

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News Notes

We desire to express our appreciation of the loyal way in which our people have rallied to the support of the work during the year just closed, in spite of the desperate financial situation with one person out of three reported to be receiving relief. Our people came through with an average for the entire field, including nearly a hundred isolated members, of \$6.42 per capita in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Huntington, under the leadership of Elder Rees and Sister Welsh, raised an average of \$12.46, and Charleston, with Elder T. W. Thirlwell as leader, reached \$12.41 per member.

If we keep faithful until the end we shall see in the kingdom souls that have been saved from the darkness and superstition of heathenism through the efforts put forth by our people through this field in this Ingathering campaign, and already souls that were found in our own borders during the Ingathering campaign, are on the way to accept the Truth. Our hearts rejoice in the fact that so far we have kept our forces intact out on the firing lines in the mission fields, and reports are coming of the marvelous way that the message is sweeping on to triumph to the ends of the earth.

Word has come in from Elder Holst, who is in the midst of the presentation of the Sabbath question and the testing truths, that already eight have taken their stand for the truth in the Wheeling island effort, and at this writing Brother Finch is in Wheeling starting a young lady in the colporteur work, who has just lost her position because of taking her stand for the Truth.

Elder Rees is also in the midst of the presentation of the Sabbath to an attendance of some two hundred people at Kenova where he has been granted the free use of the town hall. Elder C. A. Russell of Washington, D. C., is helping us in the church effort in Parkersburg for a few days and the church is rallying strongly to the support of the effort. Not a penny is being spent for advertising but our people are passing out the word and bringing their relatives and friends and neighbors. The interest is spreading and souls are making their decision. Kanawha and Walker are both requesting efforts as soon as the Parkersburg meetings are over.

Elder Carnes is in the midst of binding off the Bluefield interest and is holding Bible studies in Princeton where an interest was discovered during the Harvest Ingathering campaign. This may lead to a tent effort in Princeton. Elder Carnes is hoping to build up a group of churches in the southern end of the field, where hundreds of books have been sold.

We have surely come to the time for the loud cry of the message. If ever the warning is to be given it must be done now, before the door of mercy is closed forever. We have reached the time when each for ourselves must reach out for the power of God to give us the victory over every evil thing. Now is the time to place our all upon the altar. Faithfulness in tithes and offerings means souls saved in the kingdom of God.

W. C. Moffett

A happy world field. "Happy is that people, that is in such a case; yea, happy in that people, whose God is the Lord." (Ps. 144:15).
Milton G. Conger

NEW JERSEY

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Evangelism in New Jersey

A meeting of the New Jersey Conference was held in the conference office, Trenton, New Jersey, on Thursday, January 19, 1933, Elder W. A. Nelson presiding.

It was with considerable satisfaction and pleasure that Harvest Ingathering work could for the time being be forgotten, inasmuch as formal announcement was made by President Nelson that the Harvest Ingathering for 1932 was at an end, with the additional welcome news that after a most strenuous campaign the General Conference goal of ten dollars per member had been reached by this conference.

"Forgetting those things — Harvest Ingathering — which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things — Evangelism — which are before" the workers were in a true sense of the word invited to press toward the mark of soul winning, a "high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

To help us in the study of this great task, and of formulating plans for successful effort, we were happy to have with us Elders H. J. Detwiler, president, and E. A. Manry, of the Home Missionary Department, of the Columbia Union Conference.

Shortly after the appointed hour, an unavoidable delay being occasioned, the meeting was called to order by the chairman announcing a suitable song. This was followed by the reading of a few timely paragraphs from the Spirit of Prophecy, after which we were led in earnest prayer by a few of the members present.

A number of important items had been set down on the Agenda, most of which were earnestly studied it being understood that the untouched portion would be considered in a subsequent meeting soon to be called.

Space prevents a presentation in full of the items considered. "The Spiritual Life of the Worker" was the first on the Agenda, and was spoken to in earnest terms by president Detwiler. Perhaps, in a way, this particular item included all the others: It was emphasized anew that the minister should be an example to the flock wherever he might be. Whether in the church or out of it, his life should be consistent and in harmony with the Word. Lightness of conduct, jesting, the relating of questionable stories, should be taboo. The matter of being courteous was stressed. Then, too, that of being honest was emphasized. The remarks upon this were quite appropriate, inasmuch as it was pointed out that in some cases workers receiving support from the tithe, coming from the hard earnings of the believers, much of it from the ranks of those who are in dire poverty, are dealing dishonestly with God and are guilty of robbing Him. These are sins that must be repented of if the worker would be successful in the work of evangelism.

In the discussion that followed, it was pointed out that Satan has a way of impressing the mind of believers and making them conscious of the insincerity of such workers, endangering the loss of confidence even in the Message itself.

Methods of evangelism were discussed by the Union visitors and others, and altogether it was felt that a profitable session had been held.

During the meeting Brother Lyndon Skinner of the

Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tennessee, joined the workers. He spoke of the interests of the *Watchman Magazine*.

A very pleasing incident, and just as rare, occurred in the meeting. Brother Salvatore De Nufrio, a talented harpist who was present, responding to many invitations, gave on his harp a few selections of sacred music. As his deft fingers moved skillfully over the strings, producing some wonderful strains, doubtless many, if not all thought of that other harpist, David, who by, as it were, his magic manipulation of his instrument, was able to soothe and comfort King Saul, causing the evil spirits to depart from him. A warm expression of appreciation was accorded Brother De Nufrio for his kindness. It is altogether likely that some of our people in different parts of the conference will be given an opportunity of hearing this talented musician. C. H. Keslake.

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Results in Home Bible Study League Work

The Home Bible Study League work is soul-winning literature work systematically carried on, and differs from other methods in that it offers better opportunities of ascertaining actual results. This article gives a few concrete illustrations of that fact as it is working out in the writer's district today. Similar experiences are seen in other districts. We would take this opportunity to request our district leaders and laymen to write up their soul-winning observations for the VISITOR.

In Marion where over \$13.00 per capita was secured in the Ingathering, the soul-winning work went right on. Bible studies and cottage meetings continued with encouraging results. At Bucyrus interested people are studying regularly and many attend our public services.

On January 28 it was my privilege with Elder Manry to visit the Shreve and Millersburg churches. We were greatly pleased to know that at each place new faces were seen in Sabbath school and church, the result of the laymen's work. The fifteen members of Shreve distributed over 900 *Present Truth* a week last summer and have many interested persons. They are holding two cottage meetings a week in Wooster, hoping to establish a light in the heart of that county. That town is ripe for an effort. We are counting on your penny offering at least, or larger amounts where possible, to enter here.

At Millerburg one brother has a family keeping the Sabbath and two others studying the truth. Another brother there, baptized at last camp-meeting, rejoices in his brother's accepting the truth and worshipping on the Sabbath. Another one is working with two interested families. We listened with intense interest as to how they do it. They help their neighbors, lend their teams, and give needed utensils, etc. One said, "This is Friday and I must prepare for the Sabbath. Use my team till 3:30 and return it in time for Sabbath. Of course it is easy to leave *Present Truth*, "Marked Bible," etc. there. Once when working together in burning limestone this brother hauled his neighbor's lime to his farm and remarked, "Lime for the soil, and the love of God in the heart for the soul." That neighbor is studying the truth today.

Yes, it is the little things in daily life among our

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THE LITERATURE MINISTRY

"This is the work the Lord would have His people do at this time." C. E. p. 5.

Week Ending January 28, 1933

E. M. Fishell, Union Field Secretary

THE CHESAPEAKE CONFERENCE

Geo. H. Carter, Field Missionary Secretary

Name	Place	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Del'd.
Maggie Webster, Wilmington	SCC	34	11.00		3.25
Jennie Fairfax, Wilmington	SCC	34	13.00		
Ada Thomas, Wilmington	OD	30	15.25	5.50	
J. E. Jones, Baltimore	OD	30	24.25	1.75	
Geo. W. Holland, Chincolague	RJ	16	12.25		
W. E. Holland, Chincolague	WCS	16	30.00		
W. L. Gomez, Baltimore	DR	28	7.00		
*Wm. Parham, Baltimore	RJ	48	31.25	1.00	
Lillian Parham, Baltimore	RJ	14	25.25	.50	
Blanche Russell, Baltimore	BR	10	1.50		
Jennie Russell, Baltimore	BR	18	12.00	3.75	
Beatrice Cole, Baltimore	BR	9	22.00		
Jennie Steward, Baltimore	RJ	6	5.75		
John Gibson, Baltimore	OD	5	6.25		
Mary Queen, Baltimore	RJ	7	2.75		
Angeline Wallace, Baltimore	RJ	9	5.25		
James Scribner, Baltimore	RJ	16	27.50		
A Colpotreuer, Baltimore	WCS	21	34.00	34.00	
Miscellaneous	Mag	112	114.00	114.00	
Total 19 colporteurs		429	\$400.25	\$163.75	

THE POTOMAC CONFERENCE

J. A. Bee, Field Missionary Secretary

Name	Place	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Del'd.
Ford, Agnes, Staunton	RJ	54	45.00		22.00
Hayes, Allen, Washington	BR	49	8.00		11.50
Downes, G., Newport News	BR	43	13.50		8.65
Dorsey, Otis H., Washington	BR	40	8.00		
Jackson, J. H., Lewis Creek	CC	36	14.00		
Wilcox, H. C., Norfolk	BR	32	12.00		
Dixon, Edith P., Washington	DR	28	55.50		.25
Stokes, Wm. B., Washington	BR	29	41.00		6.25
Jackson, Mrs. E., Washington	OD	28	17.00		
Kenny, Miss A., Washington	BR	27	40.00		6.00
Weston, W. F., Mt. Rainier	BR	25	18.00		5.50
Lewis, Mrs. L., Washington	BR	24	17.00		.20
Turner, Mrs. E., Washington	BR	23	31.00		
Robinson, R., Richmond	CC	20	8.00		4.00
Robinson, Ana, Richmond	CC	20	12.00		4.00
Myles, Mrs., Washington	BR	18	14.50		
Shorter, Mrs. M. A., Washington	CC	17	12.00		
*Jackson, Mrs. E., Washington	OD	15	13.00		
Britt, Mrs. J. R., Washington	BR	14	20.00		14.00
Efs, Mrs. D. S., Washington	BR	12			.50
Dasent, Mrs., Washington	RJ	10	11.70		
Simms, Mrs. R., Washington	BR	6	4.00		4.50
Mitchell, E., Washington	BR	5	14.00		.25
Neil, Mrs. Ethel Washington	RJ	5	8.25		5.00
Brown, R. J., Charlottesville	Mag	2			
Totals 25 colporteurs		581	\$437.45	\$128.60	

THE EAST PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE

J. R. Ridenour, Field Missionary Secretary

George Richter, Phila.	BR	49	54.75	1.10	
V. Gibbins, Montgomery	DR	42	72.50	31.00	
Ernest Williams, Phila.	DR	41	35.00	3.50	
James Street, Manayunk	DR	41	30.50	2.25	
David Warner, South Phila.	DR	40	35.00		
I. H. Johnson, Harrisburg	GC	40	10.00	28.25	
H. G. Lewis, Plymouth	DR	40	39.35	11.10	
H. Butterfield, Bucks	PP	36	.75	23.25	
H. C. Kaste, Lititz	BR	35	12.25	3.25	
W. A. Higgins, Phila.		35	45.00		
C. W. Lorenze, Hazleton	PP	34	8.00	12.00	
Mrs. G. Jordan, Phila.	RJ	32	29.50	2.75	
Wm. P. Hess, Reading	Mag	32	13.30	13.30	
Mrs. Chas. Ault, Lancaster	Mag	30	6.35		
J. W. Seitz, York	BR	25	8.00	1.00	
Bange, Elmer, York	PP	26	24.50	15.25	
Frank Fields, Phila.	DR	24	17.50		
Eliz. Winston, Phila.	DR	19	6.95	4.95	
Thomas Farboro, Phila.	DR	22	8.50		
Carrie Morris, Phila.	DR	18	14.00	2.50	
Wm. H. Smith, Reading	BTS	16	9.50	35.50	
E. W. Rush, Allentown	DR	14	16.00	4.00	
Luke G. Price, Phila.	DR	11	12.25	.25	
Daisy Murray, Norristown	OD	10	2.00	.25	
Mrs. Chas. Knorr, Lansdale	BTS	4		17.50	
A Worker, Misc.			47.25	47.25	
Misc., Phila.			30.00	30.00	
*Samuel Keiter, Elizabethtown	RJ	16	4.75	7.00	
*Joe Ledoni, Easton-Tamaqua	OD	48	38.50	14.25	
Total 28 colporteurs		777	\$636.95	\$311.45	

Obituaries

CORTWRIGHT, Evelyn E., born August 7th, 1820, died January 8th, at her home in East Stroudsburg, Pa. Evelyn was an earnest little Christian looking forward to baptism this summer. She could repeat the memory verses for a year.

The funeral, conducted in the S. D. A. church, in the presence of a large number of people which filled the auditorium, seemed to be the occasion when the child, even in her death, could bring together a number of people to listen to the message which God has for them at this time. We hope that the reading from the Scriptures, and the exhortations given, will result in many accepting the message, and in stars appearing in Evelyn's crown when the Lord of Life shall appear.

Her father, mother and grandmother are left to mourn, but not without hope. Elder R. B. Clapp, assisted the writer in the funeral service.

—H. A. Vandeman.

OTT, Harry Kenneth, born September 14, 1925 died at Phoenixville, Penna., Jan. 1.

Kenneth's parents and grandparents on both sides are members of the Phoenixville church. These and a large number of other relations and friends, gathered around the little white casket. "Just a little boy," but he had tied his heart strings about them all. The memory of his attempt to sing "Love Lifted Me" at the hospital, coupled with the lessons on life's uncertainty and the imminence of the return of Christ, seemed to stir all to a realization of the need of a closer walk with God.

—H. A. Vandeman.

KENDRICK, Sylvanna, beloved husband of Fannie A. Holder-Kendrick, was born in Chester, South Carolina, January 7, 1868, and died in Baltimore, Maryland, December 10, 1932. He was a member of Capitol Memorial Church, Washington D. C., and fell asleep in Jesus with the full assurance of the blessed hope of His soon coming Saviour to take His faithful children home.

Brother Kendrick was preceded in death by four sons. His wife and daughter are left to mourn their loss.

—F. H. Robbins.

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Approximate Sunset Times

February 10, 1933

Trenton, N. J.	5.28
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.30
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.49
Washington, D. C.	5.37
Baltimore, Md.	5.35
Cumberland, Md.	5.44
Richmond, Va.	5.39
Bristol, Va.	5.57
Parkersburgh, W. Va.	5.56
Cleveland, Ohio	5.55
Columbus, Ohio	6.01
Toledo, Ohio	6.03

(Make local adjustments as necessary)

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Like the ten virgins, the temperance people of this nation slumbered and slept for twelve years in the supposed security of Prohibition by law. They are now suddenly awakened to the fact that it is as impossible to make people temperate by law, as it is to make them religious by law.

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In 1933 we desire to see every church call on a definite number of homes in a systematic method, opening up interests that are bound to lead to the salvation of souls, and we hope that every member with an income will remember his penny-a-day at least, or more in cases where the ability affords. When the map is revised for Conference Session in 1934 we want to see several black counties turn white by reason of new churches established within their borders. Every layman, rich or poor, can have a part in this. God will bless every humble instrument dedicated to His work. "We are laborers together with God."
George Butler.

Special Notice to Missionary Leaders and Secretaries

Since mailing you the February *Layman* word has been received from the Pacific Press that from now till April 15 all clubs of *Signs* equalling two thirds the membership of the church will be at the \$1.00 rate per copy a year. (Last year the club equalled one to a member.) The new offer means that a church of thirty members ordering a club of twenty to one address will get the \$1 rate; a church of forty gets the \$1 rate on twenty-eight; a church of sixty, on a club of forty, etc. The minimum number in a club is fifteen for a church with fifteen or less members. Please keep these figures in mind and endeavor to scatter all the *Signs* we can in every church under this economical arrangement. Remember, 400 sermons in the *Signs* for only \$1, and these are preached while we carry on our regular work.

George Butler.

West Virginia Colporteur Institute

An institute for those who are interested in entering the Literature Ministry is to be held in Charleston, West Virginia, from March 3 to March 10, 1933. Those who would like to attend this meeting will kindly communicate with Brother Raymond Finch, 1455 Seventh Street, Parkersburgh, West Virginia at an early date in order that proper arrangements may be made.

—W. C. Moffett.

"Whenever God's people in any period of the world, have cheerfully and willingly carried out His plan in systematic benevolence and in gifts and offerings, they have realized the standing promise that prosperity should attend all their labors just in proportion as they obeyed His requirements. . . . But when they robbed God in tithes and offerings, they were made to realize that they were not only robbing Him but themselves; for He limited His blessings to them, just in proportion as they limited their offerings to Him. —Test." Vol. III, p. 395.

FIFTEEN MINUTE SERVICE

February 11, 1933

Branch Sabbath School