

Missionary Volunteer Harvest Ingathering

Last year according to the reports from the conference Missionary Volunteer secretaries, our juniors and seniors raised the splendid sum of \$38,366.99 in the Ingathering. This amount is just under 32 per cent of the total amount raised in our union. Surely this is an excellent record.

Now we want our juniors and seniors to have a major part in the campaign. It will give them spiritually what nothing else will do.

Because of the limited earning capacity of those who are younger, their tithes and offerings will annually be less than that of the older membership in the church; but on the other hand, they can compensate for this by doing their share—yes, even more than their share—in the Ingathering. Ingathering will also help to give our young people that first love and zeal that comes to an individual upon accepting this message. Ingathering will also give a positive activity during the fall of the year that will replace any desire for amusement.

In some conferences, according to the reports, our seniors and juniors raised only 12 per cent of the total amount raised, while in other conferences they report as high as 40 per cent. What is the difference? We account for this in two ways. First of all, the church may not have utilized the energy and effort of their young people; and, secondly, they may not have given them credit for what they did do. Occasionally we hear of parents sending their boys and girls out to raise Ingathering, and then turning in the money in the name of the parents toward their goal. Accordingly we suggest three things in enlisting the youth of your church:

1. Assign your young people and juniors a definite goal.

2. Organize them into separate bands under the very best leader-ship.

3. Give due credit for all they do.

At the close of the campaign, if not sooner, your conference Missionary Volunteer secretary will no doubt ask for a report from every church as to what the children and young people have done, and we hope your church will be able to render an accurate report. Our youth with their enthusiastic energy will do more than their share, if properly encouraged and directed.

Juniors who are church members receive the Minuteman pin when they have raised the same as the adult church members. Juniors from ten to fifteen years of age who are not church members are to be given the Minuteman pin when they have raised \$5.83, and those below ten or below the fourth grade in school who raise \$2.92 in the present campaign, are to receive the Minuteman pin. C. P. Sorensen

M. V. Sec'y, Col. Union Conf.

Finding 3,884 Missing Sabbath School Members

The word "missing" has not a pleasant sound. Something must be lost. What is it? Ah, it is 3,884 church members from the Sabbath schools in our union. When anything is lost, whether it be personal belongings, or a loved one missing from the family circle, with perhaps thousands of dollars offered as a reward for a safe return, it brings no little concern, and every effort possible is put forth to reclaim the lost.

Three thousand eight hundred eighty - four missing members! Dear reader, does this great loss attract your attention for a brief moment, and then is it soon forgotten? Sometime — yes, in the very near future, the list of the "missing" will mean much more than it does now. What shall we do about it? As the shepherd searches for the lost sheep in the parable, let every Sabbath school worker everywhere join hands with the pastors and church officers in the search. Check through your Sabbath school records, compare them with the church clerk's records, and learn just who are missing from the Sabbath school. Then by prayer and earnest effort go out and bring them in.

Would that the feelings of the Good Shepherd might be more fully manifested by the undershepherds and the fellow-members of the flock. Not always does the wanderer realize his own danger or need of help. Unknown to themselves thousands of members

of the church are today drifting away from the faith. "Non-attendance at the Sabbath school is one of the first steps in apostasy." Blinded to their true situation and the great loss sustained by the spiritual life, church members are losing the blessing that comes through Sabbath school attendance. There is only one sure way for the Christian to remain steadfast and true to his Lord, and that is to use every opportunity for spiritual uplift. Surely the Sabbath school is one of the greatest agencies in the hands of God for the salvation of souls. There the study of the Word of God will build up its members and fortify them against the time of trouble soon to come upon the earth.

"None but those who have fortified the mind with the Word of God will stand in the last great conflict.

In view of the urgency of the situation and the lateness of the hour, recognizing the great spiritual loss sustained by the "missing" as they fail to heed the injunction: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching", let us arise and go forth without faltering until we have accounted for this large host of missing members from the Sabbath Schools in the Columbia Union.

"Green are the pastures inviting, Sweet are the waters and still;

Lord we will answer Thee gladly,

Yes, blessed Master, we will; Make us Thy true undershepherds,

Give us a love that is deep; Send us out into the desert,

Seeking Thy wandering sheep." Mrs. A. E. King

Invalid Sisters Faithful In Harvest Ingathering

Two Victims of Creeping Paralusis.—During a recent trip in the Southern part of the United States, I learned of two young ladies, sisters, who are confined in a Home for Incurables, due to creeping paralysis. These young ladies are Seventh-day Adventists, and, though seriously handicapped, they have each solicited more than the Minuteman goal in Harvest Ingathering for the last five years. Not only do they solicit from people who visit them, but they write letters and send the magazine, asking for donations. They are known far and wide, and their appeal year by year is gladly answered. The present stage of the disease, however, makes it impossible for one of the sisters to write any more, and the other one can use her hands only with greatest difficulty. What excuse can any one have for failing to do his individual part in Harvest Ingathering, when circumstances are compared with those of the two almost helpless sisters.

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NEW JERSEY

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Harvest Ingathering

Fine progress is being made in the New Jersey Conference this year. Another good report has come in for the week ending September 10 of more than \$2,000, and it will mean more than \$2,000 weekly reports from now on if we close up the campaign at the allotted time.

Two districts are over the top. Elder G. A. Coon reports the Newark district over, and Brother Bufano reports that the Italian district has reached its full goal. The Newark district had planned on celebrating its Harvest Ingathering victory Sunday, September 18, but due to the rain the service has been postponed to a later date. The Jersey City German, Pleasantville, Cape May Court House, Jersey City Swedish, and Perth Amboy Danish-English churches have all reported more than their Minuteman goal of \$11.65. This is a wonderful lead for two districts and five churches of other districts to reach more than a Minuteman goal at such an early date.

Our experience is that the churches which reach the goal early do it easier than by taking a longer period of time. Why should we struggle on month after month extending the campaign over into the holiday season when it can be done so much more successfully by the 15th or latter part of **October**?

I am passing on some interesting figures of the progress New Jersev has made in the last three years by shortening up the campaign:

1935 — Campaign started August 5, and closed December 31. Total raised \$20,029.52. Per capita \$10.32.

1936 - Campaign started August 12, and closed November 11. Total raised \$20,292.80. Per capita \$9.72.

1937 — Campaign started August 18, and closed November 4. Total raised \$21,851.04. Per capita \$10.04.

We are hoping to shorten up the present campaign for 1938 two weeks over last year. A large number of our workers and mem-

bers are visiting the business districts of the cities. This is especially helpful where the singing territory is limited. Usually the contributions from business men are larger, and many of them are glad to help by contributing to our world-wide mission work, and they need the message just as much as those in the residential sections and the rural districts.

Through the Harvest Ingathering many contacts are being made this year with interested people who are seeking truth. Cards that have been provided by the conference are being placed in the Harvest Ingathering magazine for free literature and are proving successful. Many of these cards are being returned and are having prompt attention by Brother Cardey. Harvest Ingathering is becoming more of a soul-winning agency every year. I believe that where the campaign can be conducted from a soul-winning objective, the financial goal with our people will no longer be a problem. Nothing is more inspiring, nothing will prompt our church members to more earnest action, than souls coming into the truth. W. M. Robbins

Wedding Bells

Miss Laura Adelade Beckwith and Mr. Robert Tobiason were united in holy wedlock at the Plainfield church, Sunday, September 11. Brother and Sister Tobiason will be located at the Plainfield Academy, where Mrs. Tobiason has been asked to connect with the school staff. A church full of friends join the pastor in wishing this consecrated couple the blessings of the God to whom they have given their united lives. G. A. Coon

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News Notes

On Friday night, September 16, Brother C. H. Kelly, accompanied by his wife, visited the tent effort in Newport News, going to Richmond for the Sabbath morning service, and to Petersburg in the afternoon. On Sunday Brother Kelly met Brother Johnson and Brother Burgess to discuss the prospects for a meeting place for the group of new believers there. Returning to Washington Monday they also visited the tent company at Fredericksburg.

Already two of our church school children are very near the "manager" goal. The two small daughters of Brother and Sister Donald B. Meyers, teachers at Konnarock, Virginia, have been working faithfully. One has \$23.00 and the other \$24.00. Just watch the church school children play this Ingathering game. Before long we will have as many "managers" as we have schools.

The nights have become so cool that some of the efforts are putting stoves in their tents in order to continue their meetings. At Fredericksburg the attendance is holding up well. About three hundred are on the regular visiting list and about fifty in attendance at the Sabbath afternoon meetings. So far ten have taken their stand for the Sabbath, and one man and his wife have kept this day of rest for many years, not knowing of a regular Sabbathkeeping people.

Brother and Sister R. I. Mc-Manes, of Norfolk, are now connected with the effort at Stanardsville. Their assistance is valuable at this crucial time of an effort, and they are enjoying their visiting and contacts with the interested in that little city.

Meetings are continuing in the tent at Newport News and Brother Fearing hopes to organize a baptismal class soon. The average Sunday night attendance is about two hundred and during the week from seventy-five to a hundred attend the meetings regularly.

The Takoma Park church school has opened with an enrollment of over two hundred. The first six grades are being cared for in the old school building, and the seventh and eighth grades are in temporary quarters until the new building is completed.

Elder Dart spent Sabbath, September 17, with the church at New Market, and from there will visit the following schools before returning to the office: Stanley, Richmond, Kilmarnock, Newport News, Falmouth, and Brooke, Va.

The Young People's Society of the Hillside Church, formerly Capitol Heights, have been holding their meetings at three o'clock, Sabbath afternoon, but beginning October 1, the Society will meet on Friday night. This very active little group always appreciates and gives a warm welcome to all visitors.

Brother James Stanley, directing the effort at Stanardsville, has eleven ready for baptism, and expects to follow this with another class. Though the evenings are now very cool in that section, they are heating the tent, and plan to continue the meetings.

An unusually good interest has been awakened among the coloredin Petersburg. Brother Burgess reports that their Sunday night crowds cannot all be seated in the tent. Fifty-seven are now keeping the Sabbath, and many are paying a regular tithe.

Sister Martin Heibert has started a home school in her community with an enrollment of about fifteen. Sister Heibert is setting an excellent example for some of the other isolated members in our conference. Surely our children are worth more than anything else to us.

While in Richmond over the week-end, Brother Thumwood took a singing band out and within two hours they returned with more than one Minuteman goal. He also expects to go to Kilmarnock soon and give them some assistance in reaching their goal.

The student colporteurs have now returned to school after their summer's work in the field. In order to help these worthy students a number of our faithful members opened their homes to these young people, and on behalf of the students and the conference, we wish to thank these good folk for their kind hospitality.

Special Week-End Meetings At Richmond

From September 16 to 20 Brethren Palmer, Clark and Thumwood visited with the Richmond church to carry out a previously planned program. On Friday night Brother Palmer spoke to the large audience on the progress of the publishing work, and for Sabbath the speakers divided their time between the white and colored churches. On Sabbath afternoon Brother Clark and Brother Thumwood visited with the Petersburg folk and found a good interest there in the publishing work.

Returning to Richmond for Saturday night all joined with the regular church members for the Ingathering. Several singing bands were out with solicitors, and the returns for the evening's work were quite satisfactory.

Prior to the regular Sunday evening meeting the weekly Literature Sales Class was conducted and these visiting brethren brought out many points of value to the interested group. At the evening meeting Brother Clark gave a health lecture. A large audience was present and expressed appreciation for, and interest in, this work. Twentyfive names were given in as being interested in promoting our health publications.

F. E. Thumwood

Fifteen Minute Service

October 1, 1938 Forward in the Home-Foreign Field

October 8, 1938

The Orientals in Our Midst

Approximate Sunset Times (Eastern Standard Time)

	Sept. 30	Oct. 7
Trenton, N. J.	5:45	5:33
Philadelphia, Pa.	5:47 ·	5:35
Pittsburgh, Pa.	6:02	5:50
Baltimore, Md.	5: 50	5:38
Cumberland, Md.	6:01	5:49
Washington, D. C.	5:51	5:39
Richmond, Va.	5:52	5:40
Parkersburg, W. Va	. 6:1 2	6:00
Cleveland, Ohio	6:12	6:00
Columbus, Ohio	6:1 4	6:02
Toledo, Ohio	6:16	6:04

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Workers' Meeting

Pittsburgh No. 1 church extended its courtesies to the entire working force of the West Pennsylvania Conference Monday, September 19. God most wonderfully blessed the workers as they joined their hearts together in seeking Him for blessings in a most epochal hour in the history of the world and this truth. Elder H. J. Detwiler, president of the Columbia Union, led in the devotional service which strongly emphasized the fact that it is "high time" for God's people to awake out of slumber and give of the fullness of their devotion to a needy world and the Saviour of men.

This most spiritual occasion invoked a great enthusiasm in behalf of the lost. With deep earnestness the workers reported the results of their efforts thus far in the Ingathering from every church and district in the conference. Some of the reports were outstanding.

Elder J. H. Wagner, of Pittsburgh No. 2 church, evidently is setting a new mark in the Columbia Union for Ingathering among the colored people. He reported \$269.00 as a result of the previous week's work. This means that Elder Wagner is pressing hard for victory in the week to come. The flame passed from heart to heart. Most notable were the reports from Brother Franklin Fowler in the Sharon-New Castle district which, at the present time, leads the conference with a per capita of \$8.96; also from Elder C. V. Leach of the Coudersport district, who reported \$229.00 for the week's labor. There were other excellent reports. Elder R. K. Krick, of the Pittsburgh district, which is the largest responsibility in the field, inspired all with his report of having passed the thousand dollar mark for Pittsburgh No. 1, and with the report of nearly \$2,000 in the aggregate for his district to this time. Elder E. H. Swanson gave a very touching and effective report of the work in the Erie district. Elder Russell Quackenbush predicts that the Johnstown district will be speeding at hurricane velocity in a very short time. Brother C. E. Reichenbaugh promised complete victory for DuBois and Oil City by the close of October.

Great enthusiasm attended the reporting, and again and again the battle cry was sounded for complete victory by the time of the Fall Council. Strenuous efforts will be made in this direction.

Never did a conference have a more united and devoted band of laborers than gathered last Monday. It was a great inspiration, and men and women alike went to their homes filled with the determination to do more than they had ever done before in their lives.

West Pennsylvania has a bright future before it with such a splendid leadership and such a responsive constituency.

L. H. King Pres. West Penna. Conference

The Outlook

From our study of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy we know that we are in the "time of the end." But are we telling our friends and neighbors about the soon coming of our Lord, or are we content with the way we are living,—just serving the Lord to save ourselves?

Many are anxious to do something along missionary lines. May we suggest the use of our gospel-filled literature, — Present Truth, Watchman, and Signs of the Times? Your investment in subscriptions to these periodicals will be the means of saving souls for the eternal kingdom.

There are some who would like to have a lending library in their homes. The special edition of "Great Controversy" is a very fine book to begin such an enterprise. This beautiful cloth-bound volume is only \$1.75 while the books last.

We are desirous that our people will see the need of placing the three wonderful books on narcotics and dope in the hands of the young people of our public schools in this field. This is an important work and is quite remunerative. "Dope" sells for 50c, "Plain Facts" and "Science Speaks" sell for 25c each. Fifty per cent discount, f. o. b. Greensburg, in quantities of six or more books, your selection. Write your order today. It is not too early to take orders for Christmas gifts. People of the world spend thousands of dollars for gifts. Now is your opportunity to take orders for the best gifts books of lasting quality. "Bedtime Stories," "Best Stories" and "Easy Steps" are all fine sellers, especially at this time of the year.

To those who couple faith and works the outlook is very bright, for our "redemption is nearer than when we first believed."

Your orders and inquiry regarding anything you would like to do along missionary lines will receive our usual prompt service. M. A. Paden

Sec'y, Book and Bible House

Are You in Love — With the Message?

Would you do anything for this wonderful truth? When we take our marriage vows, we pledge to honor, love and cherish one another. Christ is the bridegroom and the church is the bride. Even as marriage is a partnership, so also should be our relation with Jesus.

This message will not triumph without the church. And who makes up the church? You and I we are the ones that make up one-half of the partnership.

We have given ourselves to the Lord. Now let us get busy and aid in the finishing of the great and glorious task that is ours.

M. A. Paden

Sabbath School Conventions

Miss Ernestine Hochschorner, who is so ably leading the Sabbath schools of West Pennsylvania Conference, has made arrangements for Sabbath school conventions to be held in Erie and Coudersport. Elder J. A. Stevens, General Conference Sabbath school Secretary, will be present with Miss Hochschorner at the Coudersport Sabbath school on October 8. On October 15, Elder S. A. Wellman, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Sabbath School Department, will be at the Erie convention.

We are fortunate in securing the services of these prominent leaders in our work, and we know the believers will rally from near and far to have a part in the conventions that will be held.

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CHESAPEAKE

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Changed Attitudes

A Tender Heart Under a Rough Exterior. --- Several years ago I visited the mayor of the small city where I resided, presenting to him the needs of the Ingathering work. But the man was very gruff and abrupt. He told me he did not believe in missions, neither did he believe in the Bible; and seemed proud to identify himself as an infidel. In an argumentative way, he put the question to me, "How can you prove that the Bible is true?" I replied by asking him if he had a Bible. Somewhat to my surprise, he turned over a Bible to me. With a prayer to God for guidance, I turned and read several texts of Scripture, and cited personal experience of faith and assurance in God's Word. When I had finished speaking, the mayor seemed to be in a somewhat different mood, and he said, "Well, I guess you are right. I will give you fifty cents." From that time I did not have opportunity to call on him for many months, but Present Truth was sent to him regularly, and when the opportunity came to have another talk with him, I found he had been thinking seriously, and his heart really seemed to be longing for something which he did not have. I shall never forget the earnest look on his face as he said to me, with sincere confidence, "I wish you would tell me how it is possible to have Jesus in the ĥeart." This man had been a general in the army, but he was ignorant of the simple story of the gospel of Jesus Christ. It was a great pleasure to explain the love of God and how we may open the door of our heart and let Jesus come in and abide with us. This year, when I visited him in the interest of Harvest Ingathering, he gave me \$5.00, and it was very evident that a change was taking place in his life.

A Soft Answer Turns Away Wrath. — One year I visited a home where the housewife was very rude to me, and angrily slammed the door in my face. I was surprised to receive such a reception at such a home and from a person who had the ap-

pearance of a lady. As the door slammed, I stood on the porch for a moment, and silently asked the Lord what I ought to do. Then a voice seemed to whisper in my ear, "Say, 'Thank You.' " So, in a pleasant tone of voice I said "Thank You" loud enough so that I could be heard by the person inside the door. The next year, while soliciting in the same territory, I came in contact with the woman again. But this time, her attitude had changed. As soon as she saw me she said, "You are the lady I was so rude to last year, when I slammed the door in your face. But you manifested true Christianity by saying 'Thank You' when I was not only rude, but lacking ordinary courtesy. That 'Thank You' of yours has been ringing in my ears ever since, and I want to apologize to you. I certainly am glad to give you an offering this year.'

Mrs. C. C. Littleton Chesapeake Conf. Church Missionary Secretary.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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Dillsburg One-Day Camp Meeting

More than two hundred and fifty members of the Harrisburg District met together at the Mt. Olivet Camp Grounds, near Dillsburg, Pennsylvania, for their annual one-day camp meeting Sabbath, September 3.

We were happy to have our conference President, Elder G. F. Eichman, with us for the day, and the help he rendered was of the most valuable type. At the regular morning hour, following an interesting Sabbath school service, Elder Eichman spoke. His sermon was filled with courage and comfort, and exhortation to press on and be faithful until we shall be privileged to see our loving Saviour face to face. In a graphic way, he forcefully impressed upon our minds evidences of God's tender love and regard for all of his earth-born children.

In the afternoon, the writer conducted a Harvest Ingathering rally, in which several of those present took part. The entire congregation pledged themselves to do their part in this campaign,

and to labor more faithfully so that the cause of God may be quickly finished. The response received was most encouraging, and the results of the rally will be evidenced throughout the campaign.

The young people's service closed the program for the day. Three of our Harrisburg young people gave inspirational talks outlining the responsibility of our youth in the present great crisis. It was then revealed that it is the desire of the youth of our district to respond to the call of God, and to do their part to hasten the coming of Christ.

We feel that much good was accomplished by this one-day service, and the spiritual strength received will add greatly to the efficiency of our members in all of their missionary endeavors.

N. R. Dower

Canvassing Among the Italians in Reading

About six-years ago I was canvassing in Reading, Pennsylvania, and sold many books. In one home I was given lodging during my stay there. These people were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church (Italian). I left three books with them and bid them good-bye.

After all these years, I came back to canvass the same territory with two other Italian workers. I suggested that we should visit this family, which we did, and they were glad to see me again and meet my friends and brethren in the work. They gave us an invitation to have supper with them, which we accepted with delight. After we ate, we had a Bible study. We presented to them the message in a humble way.

Their young son expressed the desire to become a preacher. We told him to be sure to become a preacher of the right kind, as we had proven to him that we have the right kind of message.

We left the house happy, because we left them happy. We have promised to visit them again. They told us their house is open to us at any time.

In conclusion, I would say that we have placed in their home books which will teach them the true way. I believe they are earnest and sincere, and that they will be Seventh-day Adventists some day not long from now. I also believe they can be the instruments in God's hands to bring others to the truth. I hope and pray that the seed I have sown years ago has been watered now, as we have visited them, and may God give them the increase.

Pray for them and for us as we continue doing this work for the Master.

Joseph Ledoni

"What Have You To Give Me?"

"Friend, for the last five years I have given you \$10.00 a year for your Harvest Ingathering Campaign. What do you have to give me this morning?" The words came from a business man who had just handed a ten-dollar check to a student in one of our The young man was colleges. taken somewhat by surprise. "Is the man in earnest?" he asked himself. "Is he really seeking spiritual help?" In a moment he had decided in the affirmative, and with a silent prayer for divine help, he seated himself, and began in a quiet way to tell this business man how much Christ meant to him in a personal way, and how thankful he was to share with others the good news of joyous fellowship with the Master. The man listened attentively, and soon began to ask questions. The interview lasted nearly an hour. It closed with prayer. When the student took his departure, the business man grasped his hand warmly, and thanked him for the message of hope and trust he had borne. "You have indeed helped me, my young friend," he said, Come again soon. And may God bless you and your school.'

-Inter-American Division Messenger.

Gbituaries

BAKER: John, passed away suddenly at the Plainfield Hospital at the age of thirty-six, leaving his wife, two children, parents, three brothers, one sister, as well as other relatives, friends and church mem-bers to mourn their loss. We look forward to the coming of Jesus and the resurrection to meet our dear Brother. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

G. A. Coon

LINDSEY: Dr. Ernest Leroy, was born in 1872. He died in Scranton, Pa., August 25, 1938. He had just passed his sixty-sixth anniversary.

His entire life has been spent in northeastern Pennsylvania. He was a successful practitioner in the city of Scranton for more than twenty-seven years. He was twice married. Two children were born to the first union, Dr. Charles E. Lindsey and Claude W. Lindsey, who live to mourn his death.

Early in life he gave his heart to Jesus and joined the Presbyterian Church. About three years ago, to-gether with his wife, who survives, he embraced the doctrines as held by the Seventh-day Adventists. His passing leaves an aching void in the hearts of those who knew him. He died, we believe, in the fullness of hope that he will have a part in the first resurrection.

The funeral services were held in the Scranton church, the writer being in charge. Elder G. F. Eichman gave the message of comfort and hope. Text: Revelation 14:13.

R. B. Clapp

MERTZ: Anna Hopewell, was born March 11, 1857, and died August 28, 1938, at her home in Northumberland, Pennsylvania.

Sister Mertz died very suddenly, being found unconscious Sunday morning after having retired Saturday evening feeling well. She was very active in missionary work and for a number of years was president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union in Northumberland.

She leaves to mourn nine children, two brothers, two sisters, thirty-four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and a host of friends.

Sister Mertz sleeps, awaiting the call of the Life-giver. Words of comfort and sympathy were spoken by the writer.

N. Reginald Dower

NICELY: William Edgar, was born in 1863, in Alleghany County, Vir-ginia, and fell asleep in Jesus, July ginia, and ien asieep in sesus, sury 6, 1938, at the age of seventy-five years. January 3, 1882, he married Indeana Layton. He is survived by his wife, five sons and four daughters. Two months before he died he ac-cepted the third angel's message. P. Hafenmayr

WILLIAMS: Harriet McVeigh, was born in 1873, and died at Bradford, Pa., August 1, 1938, aged sixty-five years.

In 1900 she was joined in marriage E. A. Williams. Those who survive to E. are the husband, one daughter, three sons, one granddaughter, two brothers and one sister.

Sister Williams was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist faith at Warren, Pa., in 1899, and has lived a consistent Christian life through the years. She was active in the service of the church.

She was laid to rest in the Corydon Cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver. The writer spoke words of comfort from Rev. 14:13 and other Scriptures.

C. V. Leach

SHEELEY: Martha Eva, was born in 1863, and died August 26, at Avon Lake, Ohio. Sister Sheeley accepted the message many years ago, while in California, and has been a faithful member of the Lakewood church for years. She was very faithful, even while ill. Six children, twenty-two grandchildren and fourteen greatgrandchildren are left to mourn. A host of friends and relatives met in the Lakewood church, on August 22, where the writer spoke words of comfort from the fifth commandment. She was buried in West Park Cemetery. S. E. Norton

COLEMAN: George M., died Sep-tember 1, 1938, at the age of seventyeight years. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Susie Coleman, one son and two daughters.

Brother Coleman united with the Rock Hall Seventh - day Adventist church about five years ago, and was baptized by Elder Walleker. He was faithful to the church until his recent illness kept him from attending.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by the pastor of the Methodist church. We believe our brother will come forth at the call of the Life-giver at the resurrection of the just. Wm. H. Schmidt

PATTON: Mrs. Mary Ann, was born in Licking County, Ohio, in 1844; and died at the home of her son in Erie, Pa., September 8, 1938.

She had been a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for the last forty years, and accepted the truth through the labors of Sister Ida Walters, of Columbus, Ohio.

Sister Patton was faithful in her church duties, and always watched for an opportunity to do good to others.

She is survived by one daughter, one son, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

F. H. Robbins

RATHBURN: Mrs. Harriet, was August 7, 1938. For over fifty years Sister Rathburn has been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and bore her testimony till her death. She was beloved in the Emergency Hospital where she spent her declining days. Her death was hastened by a fall in which she broke her hip. She leaves to mourn, a faithful grandson. Words of comfort were ful grandson, words of connect that spoken by the writer. Interment was in Lakeview Cemetery. S. E. Norton

COFFIN: George Thomas, was born in New Bedford, Mass., July 21, 1852, and died in Takoma Park, Maryland, August 15, 1938, aged 86 years.

Mr. Coffin, with his family, em-braced the truth while living in West Somerville, Mass., in 1894, through the faithful labors of Elder William J. Boynton. He and his wife have lived in Takoma Park since 1922. Brother Coffin was a faithful Sabbath keeper all his days and died with a bright hope. He leaves his wife and three children to mourn his death.

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News Notes

We are happy to report a gain of 311 per cent in subscription book business for the month of August. This gives us a per capita gain of \$1.45 over the same month last year. For the first eight months of this year we have a gain of 80 per cent in subscription book business. We are careful to give the Lord all the praise for this accomplishment. We are indeed very grateful for the good work done by our student colporteurs during the summer months. -Brethren Ted Webster, George Mowry and Brother and Sister Conmack. We wish for them every needed blessing in their school work this year. Brother and Sister Conmack have already delivered \$752.90 and they have another good delivery coming in October.

Up to September 17 the conference had reached and passed the \$2.000 mark in Ingathering. Victories are reported all over the field. Though the ingatherers find generally that funds seem to come a little slower than last year, still they are determined to reach their full assigned goals. By the time vou read this, some churches will be nearing the completion of their church goals. A number of churches have turned in \$100.00 a week and have reported the finding of interested souls. We call upon every member to do his duty. Let the isolated, as well as those connected with the organized churches, rally to the work. In all kinds of weather let us work together and see what can be done.

At Clarksburg in Brother Paully's district, on Sabbath. September 17, the writer baptized five persons. About forty others standing by renewed their baptismal vows. Those baptized were all mature men and women and are the results of a number working together for their salvation and decision. We congratulate those who have thus found the pearl of great price and also congratulate those who had a part in bringing them to the waters of baptism.

Large plans for evangelism are

being formulated for the period following ingathering. We are promoting plans for conference-wide evangelism, hoping that every worker will have an opportunity to be connected with some soulwinning effort in the conference between the close of ingathering and the next camp meeting. Plans include the coming of Evangelist R. L. Boothby into our West Virginia field for the year 1939. these plans are blessed of the Lord and supported by brothers and sisters throughout the field, we trust that Evangelist Boothby and his associated corps of

Did You?

- Did you give him a lift? He's a brother man,
- And bearing about all the burden he can.
- Did you give him a smile? He was downcast and blue,
- And a smile would have helped him to battle it through.
- Did you give him your hand? He was slipping downhill,
- And the world, so I fancied, was using him ill.
- Did you give him a word? Did you show him the road?
- Or did you just let him go on with his load?
- Did you ask what it was-why the quivering lip?
- Why the half-suppressed sob and the scalding tear-drip?
- Were you a brother of his when the time came of need?
- Did you offer to help him, or didn't you heed?

-Selected.

workers will be able to conduct at least three city efforts during the year 1939. We appeal for the prayers of God's people that this evangelistic work may be rightly planned and rightly executed. The conference also appeals for the united support of the entire field in this our greatest work.

The blessings accruing from obedience to the Lord's plans are evident in all things, including the honest return of the tithe. Just now when the conference plans for advance moves in soulwinning, let every believer return an honest, full, continuous tithe. If there be any back tithe, let it come in at this time. There has been an enormous decrease of approximately \$2,500 in tithe up to the end of August. In order to move forward with evangelistic plans, it is very necessary to have the sinews of our spiritual warfare. "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase." Prov. 3:9

M. G. Conger

Prepare Now!

At the present time war clouds of an ominous nature are hanging over the horizon. Intelligent observers cannot help but understand that a European conflagration would soon include the United States. In the light of these facts, our youth need to think soberly of the crisis each will eventually face in time of war. Everyone should fit himself for non - combatant service, so that persecution may be avoided.

We have heretofore urged young men and women to avail themselves of the opportunity offered by the Red Cross First Aid classes to fit themselves for ambulance service during time of And we have urged that war. Home Nursing classes be started in every church and our young people urged to join. Where our young people in China have availed themselves of such opportunity they have been very gladly and readily received in hospital wartime service.

It will soon be too late to prepare for this work. Now is the time to go to the Red Cross headquarters and enroll in the First Aid classes. Now is the time to start Home Nursing classes in our churches. Enroll every young man and young woman as members, that they may take the work and receive their certificate from the General Conference. Such a certificate may very materially help in placing the holder in the service where he will not be persecuted for Sabbath keeping and for his principles of non-combativeness.

We sincerely hope that our young people in West Virginia will give this warning sober thought and avail themselves of opportunities afforded that they may be ready for the crisis a head, whether it be sooner or later.

Maybelle Vandermark