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## Long-Felt, Urgent Need

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THE coming Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow is in some measure to fill a long-felt and most urgent need. For the past fifteen years it has been the writer's privilege to work in the Inter-American Division, first for nearly ten years in the Antillian Union, and then later for several years in the Caribbean Union. For the last year I have been working in the Canal Zone in the Central American Union. During all these years we have seen and felt the need of a more definite work along medical missionary lines throughout this widely scattered territory.

It is a source of great satisfaction, therefore, to know that the overflow on March 27 is to be devoted to medical work in some of the most strategic and important openings in this division. I can speak with definiteness because of understanding the specific needs in both Jamaica and Haiti of the Antillian Union. It will certainly bring great joy to the hearts of workers and believers in these fields to know that help is coming, after so long a delay, to assist in opening in a limited way this line of work which has been defined as the "right arm of the message," in some of these more important places.

Likewise I can speak with a definiteness of knowledge of the need of the fostering of the work so nobly begun and faithfully carried on by the late Dr. Charles Cave of Barbados. While Dr. and Mrs. Cave's work was wholly self-supporting—they were receiving no help from the organization—yet they laid the foundation of a most noble and unselfish ministry in medical missionary lines at Bridgetown, Barbados. Following the decease of Dr. Cave about five years ago, Mrs. Cave and faithful nurses of their own training have carried on the work. It will cer-

tainly be a great joy to them to know that after all these years of waiting help is now coming through the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow at the close of this quarter. No need can be more urgent, and no field could be more helped and blessed than this field by this offering.

Eternity alone will reveal the wonderful blessing that the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings during the years have brought to our ever enlarging and expanding work. Many mission fields have been definitely helped to establish schools, hospitals, and other urgently needed institutions in all parts of the world, yet until now no definite help has come from this or any other source to assist financially even in a small way the medical missionary work in the Inter-American Division. So as a worker of years of experience in this rapidly growing division, and especially knowing that help will go to both the Antillian and Caribbean Unions from this coming Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, I am appealing for a large overflow, and hope that we shall be able at least to lay the foundation and to start in a humble way the medical work by opening some greatly needed clinics in the places mentioned. Your answer will be the response in the offering made.

Personally, I do believe that our Sabbath schools in the homeland and in the world field will not fail this special need at this time, but will respond with an offering that will be commensurate with the times in which we are living and the urgency of the special appeals. I shall not speak definitely of the other fields in the division that are to receive help. I mention only those that I personally know and where for the last fifteen years I have been privileged to labor. Let us all rally to the call and make the Thirteenth Sabbath Of-

fering on March 27 the largest and most sacrificial one ever made by our people to help in filling a long-felt and most urgent need in the islands and other fields of the Inter-American Division. Remember that Christ spent more time in healing the sick than in preaching the gospel.

### Army Literature Fund

WE have just received in all our churches an offering for the Service Men's Library Fund. Now we would like to tell you about the Army Literature Fund which is a Missionary Volunteer project, and we hope that every Missionary Volunteer society in the Columbia Union will take an offering or two during the Missionary Volunteer Week in March.

Might we tell you what has been accomplished through this offering the past two years that we have had this special project for our societies:

	1941	1942
Chesapeake		\$ 69.06
East Pennsylvania	\$154.15	96.17
New Jersey	128.76	47.80
Ohio	88.03	111.21
Potomac	204.06	476.16
West Pennsylvania	47.11	207.62
West Virginia	26.75	44.64
	\$648.86	\$1052.66

Out of this fund we have supplied thousands of copies of "Steps to Christ" that have been used by our camp pastors and our boys in the service. They have been distributed in a very judicious way. We have also distributed hundreds of service testaments, Morning Watch calendars, and other literature of a missionary nature, besides sending clubs of the *Youth's Instructor* and *Review* to our camp pastors to be given out to our boys. All these things have been greatly appreciated and we thank you for your excellent response.

We should say in all fairness that some of our conferences have carried on a literature campaign

of their own, in addition to what they have sent to the Union Conference for the Army Literature Fund. They have placed literature in the Army camps in their conferences. This is especially true of New Jersey. We thank you for what we know you are going to do for us this year.

C. P. SORENSEN

## Cadet Corps News

ON Sunday evening, January 31, both the Medical Cadet Corps and the Women's Medical Corps at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, had their graduation. Under the direction of corps commanders Brother Wilbert and Sister Dick a very excellent demonstration was given covering the subjects in both courses of training.

The Norfolk, Virginia Corps had their graduation scheduled for January 28, but because of the stormy weather postponed the exercises until February 11. An interesting feature of their demonstration was bandaging done during a black-out. We admire the faithful men who, under the leadership of Brother Powell, stayed by and finished their work. We were pleased to have present with us Doctor Crosby, who heads the Norfolk Chapter of the American Red Cross.

On Monday evening, February 15, the Bluefield, West Virginia Women's Medical Corps had its graduation. A most excellent program was given which testified to the excellent leadership of Sister Lambdon, corps commander, assisted by Brother Dran, who was commander of the Medical Cadet Corps. Along with the Women's Corps there were a number of men who had not graduated with the Men's Corps, but who since had completed their work. We were thankful for the presence of Doctor Steele, who was Coordinator of the Medical Emergency Services under Civilian Defense. He was most happy to find an organization so well trained. If we remember correctly, there were five members of the corps who were Red Cross First-Aid Instructors.

While we have had these graduations, other corps are being organized or reorganized. During the past few weeks brother Wilson Johnson has helped the Ethnan Temple men to reorganize. There was also organized a Women's Medical Corps in the same church.

C. P. SORENSEN

## Army to Assign 1-A-O Men to Medical Service Only

NEW orders have recently been issued by the War Department, governing the assignment in army service of conscientious objectors. These new orders rescind the order issued dated January 4, 1941, which made it possible for conscientious objectors to be assigned not alone to the medical department, but to the quartermaster corps, the chemical warfare service, the signal corps, the corps of engineers, the corps area service commands, and War Department overhead.

The new order issued by the Secretary of War and signed by Chief of Staff General G. C. Marshall is dated January 25, 1943, and published in Circular 29, Section V of which is as follows:

(Cir. 29)

Circular) WAR DEPARTMENT  
No. 29) Washington, January 25, 1943

Section V—*Conscientious Objectors*.—Section I, Circular No. 2, War Department, 1941, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

1. Trainees whose status as conscientious objectors has been established and who are received for processing and assignment will be assigned to medical replacement training centers and medical units only.

2. Within the above restrictions assignment will be based on the same principles used for assignment of other personnel. Conscientious objectors so classified and assigned will not be transferred from noncombatant to combatant service except upon voluntary request in writing by the individual so classified. Conscientious objectors may be transferred between units of the Medical Department.

3. The commanding officers of units or installations to which conscientious objectors are assigned will be responsible for compliance with the requirement that the individual's assignment within that unit or installation is such that he will not be required to bear arms or be trained in their use.

(A. G. 383.2 (1-21-43).)

By Order of the Secretary of War:

G. C. MARSHALL,  
Chief of Staff.

Official:

H. B. LEWIS,  
Brigadier General,  
Acting The Adjutant General.

This is a real victory. We thank God for it. Medical service is where our men in the army belong. This order places them there. Every 1-A-O man not so assigned will have a claim based upon this order for a transfer to the medical department. He will also have a claim not to bear arms or be trained in their use.

CARLYLE B. HAYNES

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## Williamsport Effort

As the firstfruits of the Williamsport Bible Chautauqua conducted by Elder Dallas S. Youngs, seven precious souls were baptized on January 17 in the pool of the Y.M.C.A. in Williamsport.

God has greatly blessed in the proclamation of His truth in this city, for there have been many signal manifestations of the influence of the Holy Spirit to convict and to convert, and to lead honest souls to embrace the light of present truth and to remain firm and unflinching even in the face of bitter, unrelenting persecution and most unreasonable, diabolical opposition. One young married woman was offered the choice of giving up this blessed hope or a comfortable, nicely appointed home and money. She decided for Christ. And when she actually began to pack preparatory to leaving, her husband for several hours entreated her with tears not to leave. She is still opposed, but is rejoicing in the truth.

The cooking school has proved to be a very interesting feature of the work in Williamsport. Cooking classes convened each Wednesday evening throughout January at the home of Elder and Mrs. Dallas Youngs, with an average attendance of about 25 ladies. Mrs. Toms gave instruction relating to different phases of health, diet, and healthful cooking, after which Mrs. Youngs demonstrated the menus for the various meals of the day. Something of the school's success may be judged by the large quantities of breakfast cereals and sub-

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stitutes for coffee and meat that were purchased by those attending the classes.

The meetings are continuing on Sunday nights with a good degree of interest. Several have requested baptism. Many have requested Bible studies and further instruction,—so many in fact, that the workers are kept very busy to take care of the interest. A large harvest of souls is yet expected from the efforts of the workers and the blessing of God in Williamsport.

H. A. TOMS

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## CHESAPEAKE

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### Chesapeake Colporteur Institute

DURING the week of January 24-30 the Chesapeake Conference conducted at Catonsville, Maryland the most successful colporteur institute that has been held in many years. There were present for the occasion over 30 workers, most of whom were active in the work during all or most of 1942.

The past year was the greatest year ever experienced in the history of the Chesapeake field for the sale of our denominational literature. The faithful army of colporteurs under the able leadership of Brother C. F. Circle and Mrs. Juanita Jones sold a total of \$53,708.35 worth of literature. Eternity alone will reveal the souls won to the truth as a result of such a remarkable achievement.

During the course of the institute considerable time was spent in studying the Easy-Payment Plan, which has proven to be such a successful method for the sale of our literature. The past year has demonstrated that offering our books and magazines to the public on deferred payments is a way to get much more literature into the homes, and the Chesapeake colporteurs have proven their ability to successfully use the plan, which is indicated by the totals reached.

The records made by individual colporteurs are nothing short of phenomenal, and when the goals for the new year were set it was indeed a thrilling occasion. The combined goals set at the close of the meeting reached a magnificent total of \$109,000 for deliveries in 1943. Some individual workers

set goals for deliveries amounting to \$10,000 and \$12,000. These goals will be reached through the use of the payment plan and we suggest that you watch with interest the weekly reports of the Chesapeake colporteurs as they appear in the VISITOR.

There never has been a time when the people of the Lord have responded to the work as they are responding now. These are days of outstanding opportunity and perhaps you, too, have heard the Spirit speaking to your heart to engage in the literature ministry. If you would like to have a part, write immediately to C. F. Circle, Field Missionary Secretary, Chesapeake Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 24 Fusting Avenue, Catonsville, Maryland.

S. L. CLARK

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### Outstanding Magazine Sales

ABOUT two months ago Sister Dorothy Price of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania was visiting me and noticed that I had several hundred *Message* magazines on hand near the end of the month and offered to help me. Taking 150 to 200 magazines each day, she did not return until every one had been sold. On that one week's visit she delivered 1,200 *Message* magazines.

During Victory Week Sister Price helped us again, selling in four days 1,000 copies of this same magazine.

Many of our workers have started selling on the Easy-Payment Plan and I have been left with magazines on hand. There would have been many more left if it had not been for the remarkable achievement through Sister Price. I ask an interest in your prayers for her and also upon the magazines the Lord helped her put into the hands of the people.

JUANITA JONES

Assistant Field Secretary

NOTE—In a previous issue the above article was printed in the East Pennsylvania space by mistake. We herewith reprint it with our apologies to the writer of the article.

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### Voice of the Open Bible

THE Voice of the Open Bible radio program which is being broadcast every day Sunday through Friday from Station WCBM, Baltimore, has been greatly blessed by the Lord. To the present time we have enrolled 2,000 in the Twentieth Century Bible Course. Of

these we are visiting 104 and there are others on our list whom we shall begin to visit within this coming week. Eight already are keeping the Sabbath and there are bright prospects of many more in the near future.

Each morning at 10 o'clock we conduct a prayer circle. The workers at the office gather for prayer for the hundreds of prayer requests that come to us, and for God's blessing on our program. We solicit the prayers of each member of the Conference that the Lord may indeed bless our humble efforts for Him and that we may search out many of the honest in heart who would never be reached in any other way. Pray with us at 10 o'clock each morning and many times during the day that the program may reach every honest-hearted soul.

EDWARD L. HANSON

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### News Notes

#### Sligo Training School Junior Medical Cadet Corps

A JUNIOR Medical Cadet Corps of 31 members has been organized at the Sligo Training School under the direction of Cadet Major Donald Brown. The commissioned officers are: Captain Alvin Stewart, corps commander; Mrs. D. S. Weinberg, executive officer; First Lt. Louise Stuart, finance and supply officer; and First Lt. Robert Spangler, chaplain. These 31 Juniors have all been invested as Companions—which is a requisite for membership in the corps.

#### Washington Associated Society of Missionary Men

On February 22, 1943 at a dinner held at the Review and Herald Cafeteria 41 charter members were organized into the Washington Associated Society of Missionary Men. The officers elected for this year are: L. E. Rafferty, president; P. L. Baker, vice-president; J. F. Holbrook, secretary; Floyd Klopfenstein, assistant secretary; Ransom Luce, treasurer; and J. C. Keeler, assistant treasurer.

The 42 charter members are representatives from the six churches in Takoma Park and vicinity,

namely, Takoma Park, Sligo, Sanitarium, Glen Echo, Hillandale, and Hyattsville.

The meetings are to be held the third Monday night of each month.

March 15, at 7 P.M., is the date of the next dinner and meeting to be held at the Review and Herald cafeteria.

Among those present were Elder W. A. Scharffenberg, who presented the plans for the new organization, Elder C. S. Longacre, Elder J. C. Holland, and the pastors of the six churches.

Aggressive and energetic missionary projects are already being outlined by this group.

#### M. V. Week of Prayer

In these critical times the coming Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer, March 13-20, should aid our unconverted youth and Juniors to right-about-face to Christ. It should aid our baptized young people to go straight ahead in the Christian path to heaven. With thousands of our young men drafted and with thousands more of our eighteen- and nineteen-year-old youth called into service for their country, this coming Week of Prayer should deepen their experience and prepare them for the testing times ahead.

Through the following of instructions given in the March Gazette, the Week of Prayer will be a victorious experience for your young people. The pastors and the executive committees of the M. V. societies are laying definite plans for soul-stirring meetings every night during the Week of Prayer.

Plan to attend each meeting held during this M. V. Week of Prayer so that your experience may be deepened and you may be able to walk more successfully God's road to the kingdom.

J. E. EDWARDS

#### More "Signs"—More Souls

NEVER was there such a large interest in Bible prophecy, such eagerness to know Bible truth, such seriousness toward religion. Roger Babson forecasts a return to religion on the part of America. The increased circulation of the Bible, the growing popularity of religious radio programs (necessitating the formation of an N.B.C. Department of Religion), and the larger attendance at church attest this religious trend.

This is the day of evangelistic opportunity. The *Signs of the Times*, with its attractive layout and illustrations of news events and its feature doctrinal articles, wins souls. Week by week for 50 issues the doctrines are presented in the sequence of an evangelistic effort. Your church will exceed its *Signs* objective—one *Signs* per member—for it is enlarging its soul-winning activities in this crisis year.

A club of five or more *Signs* mailed in one package to a church or to one individual at one address is \$1.10 for one subscription. This plan of mailing to the individual address affords members living far from church, who attend irregularly, the privilege of doing effective soul-winning work week by week in their own neighborhood.

Many of our members will be willing to put at least \$5.50 into soul-winning activity this year. Use the weekly evangelist, the *Signs*, in reaching the hearts of relatives, friends, and civic leaders.

J. E. EDWARDS

#### Good Example of Faithfulness

THE following is part of a letter sent to the Conference Sabbath School Secretary by little Patsy Shelton, one of our isolated Sabbath school members.

"I am sending a birthday offering for my little sister who is three years of age and my little brother who is two years old, and for myself, eleven years old. I hope we can send you some more sometime."

If all our members were as faithful as these children in this respect, we would have ample means to meet the emergencies that arise in our mission work.

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## NEW JERSEY

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#### Life's Eventful Moment

THE season's nuptial event in the New Jersey Conference took place in the friendly Newark English Church at 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, January 24, 1943, when Miss Florence Mary V. Conger was given in marriage by her mother to Mr. Donald Hunt Miller of Baker, Oregon. Her father officiated. The large church auditorium was filled with Conference workers, soldiers in service, relatives, and friends. The altar was beautifully decorated with flowers, ferns, and palms. Floodlights in the recessed dimness enhanced the beauty of the lovely bride with her armful of calla lilies, and the stately military bearing of the neatly uniformed soldier groom.

The colorful bridal party was a most pleasing group. The ceremony and reception were featured by efficiently rendered solos, duets, and recordings.

In honor to God and religious convictions, the bride arranged for only religious vocal music in the church auditorium, and requested her bridesmaids to wear modest-length sleeves and neck lines and no "costume" or other jewelry, all of which was freely granted by her gracious attendants. The quiet, joyous reception that followed in the young people's room was in harmony with our social ethics and health reform principles.

Thus, in God's house, amid pleasant surroundings, dear friends, and fragrant flowers, this young couple took the solemn vows of affection and fidelity, and were united in the holy union of divinely ordained wedlock. The number and quality of the wedding gifts were evident tokens of the high esteem of their many friends who extend kind and loving Christian wishes.

After a brief honeymoon in New York City, Brother and Sister Donald Miller are making their home near Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. The closing words of the closing prayer looked forward to Jesus' soon coming—life's last and most eventful moment—and voiced the appeal: "And when every change is past, Take them to Thyself at last."

M. G. CONGER

## In Commendation

To THE members of New Jersey Conference churches and the colporteurs, a word of appreciation and commendation is in order for your increased loyalty in the use of the printed page. Comparing the sales of 1938 with those of 1942, we find that the net sales have more than doubled. For 1938 the net sales were \$15,092.17, while for 1942 the net sales were \$32,001.02. Comparing 1942 with 1941 we find the largest annual gain in sales on record. This excellent gain of \$8,691.04 is largely accounted for in the increased use of our periodicals, including *Signs of the Times*, *Review and Herald*, *Liberty*, *Life and Health*, and the sale of a truck-load of the book "Great Controversy," and several hundred copies of the book "Education."

Briefly, the total gain can be summed up in this way:

Gain in sales of Bibles.....	\$ 500.00
Gain in subscription books sold to colporteurs .....	1,600.00
Gain in magazines sold to colporteurs .....	1,600.00
Gain in periodicals and special book campaigns .....	5,000.00

Surely praise is due each one who had a part in using this truth-filled literature. But most of all, we thank the God of Heaven for this literature which is being used by His Spirit to prepare men and women for His soon coming. Let us all work unceasingly in circulating this message-filled literature, so that at His coming we might all hear the words "well done, thou good and faithful servant."

M. A. PADEN

## Outstanding Colporteur Institute

DURING January 17-23 there was held at the Newark Number One Church a very successful colporteur institute. There were present about 30 of the New Jersey colporteurs who were as enthusiastic and representative a group of workers as will be found anywhere in the Columbia Union Conference. A number of the colporteurs in attendance had been engaged in the work for long periods of service and they came to the meeting reporting that never before has there been such a response on the part of the public in purchasing our truth-filled literature.

One of the special features of the institute was a study of the

Easy-Payment Plan. It has been demonstrated during the past year that selling our literature on payments is a practical way of distributing the product of the press. Some of the colporteurs present had delivered as high as \$4,000 worth of literature in a year's time. Many colporteurs today are earning as much as \$50 a week and more for their labors.

This is a day of great opportunity, but that opportunity is fast passing. While we are happy to have this splendid army of colporteurs laboring in the New Jersey field, still there is room for many more workers. If you will write directly to the Field Missionary Secretary, 1574 Brunswick Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey, indicating your interest, you will receive an immediate response.

S. L. CLARK

Field Missionary Secretary, Columbia Union Conference

## A Notable Accomplishment

A SPIRIT of hearty cooperation and earnest interest was manifested by the constituency of the New Jersey Conference in the recent *Review* campaign. The most recent summary released by the publishers shows that in New Jersey a total of 613 families or individuals are now subscribing to this excellent periodical. This represents 58 more subscriptions than the modest and uniform goal adopted by the conferences of the North American Division. Of the 53 conferences in this division New Jersey stands very near the top,—third on the list, based on the percentage of members who are subscribers to the *Review*. Only eight conferences reached the subscription objective, our accomplishment being 10 per cent above the goal.

Consecrated and persevering endeavor is reflected in New Jersey's *Review* attainment. All who labored so earnestly and unselfishly to make it a success are repaid many-fold in knowing that

their efforts continue to bring precious blessings week by week to those whom they persuaded to subscribe to the *Review*.

Although encouraging improvement has been made in our *Review* list, there are yet many of our members who are depriving themselves of its blessings, and consequently they lose much. Are you a regular reader? If not, decide now to subscribe. The price is now \$2.75 a year, slightly less than six cents a week. Join the ever-widening circle of well informed, wide-awake *Review* readers.

R. H. FICKLING

## WEST VIRGINIA

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## More "Signs"—More Souls in West Virginia

As the agencies of evil combine in their attempts to thwart the plans of Heaven we shall see many changes taking place. These days are the beginning of sorrows for this world. During periods of emergency persecution is usually revived. The present program of soul winning may be changed somewhat, but we are not to be dismayed.

Appropriate indeed are the words of the Duke of Wellington to a faint-hearted group of Christian leaders. Said the old soldier: "Gentlemen, what are your marching orders? Success is not a question for you to discuss. If I read your orders aright, they run thus, 'Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.' Gentlemen, obey your marching orders."

These are days when mileage is rationed. Travel may be further restricted. By distributing the *Signs of the Times* we may carry on successful evangelism in the homes of the people. Cottage meetings may be conducted in different parts of the city where people can assemble by walking. The *Signs* awakens interest in any community as we go forth in house-to-house evangelism.

We appeal to all our churches, leaders, and members to give special study to these opportunities, especially during the *Signs of the*

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"The Lord is soon to come. In fire and flood and earthquake He is warning the inhabitants of this earth of His soon approach. Oh, that the people may know the times of their visitation. We have no time to lose. We must make more determined efforts to lead the people of this world to see that the day of judgment is at hand. Carefully prepared literature on the significance of the scenes we are now witnessing is to be circulated everywhere. Our understanding is to be quickened by the Holy Spirit. Oh, if our people would feel as they should the responsibility resting upon them to give the last message of mercy to the world, what a wonderful work would be done! A thousand times more work for God might be accomplished if all His children would fully consecrate themselves to Him, using their talents aright.—Mrs. E. G. White, *Review*, and *Herald*, May 24, 1906.

W. B. HILL

## OBITUARIES

WOOD: Chancy, was born May 14, 1872, in Hastings, Michigan, and died in Charleston, West Virginia December 20, 1942. His long and faithful life was ended suddenly by a heart attack as he was offering prayer on the platform of the Charleston Number One Church.

As a young man Elder Wood taught public school for several terms, and at the age of 21 accepted Christ as his personal Saviour and was baptized under the labors of Elder Goodrich. He then spent two terms at the old Battle Creek College preparing for the ministry. While there he learned hydrotherapy and practical nursing together with the principles of proper diet. With this information he was able to relieve much suffering and save many lives.

On June 9, 1901 Elder Chancy Wood and Miss Jennie E. Weldon were united in marriage. To them was born one son, Weldon, who works at the *Review* and *Herald* Publishing Association in Washington, D. C. Elder and Mrs. Wood also adopted one son who is now on the Pacific coast.

During his labors in the advent ministry Elder Wood served two conferences of the Lake Union as Secretary of the Young People's Sabbath School and Home Missionary Departments. He also held evangelistic efforts in many places, and did successful colporteur work. For one year he taught in the Bible Department of Emmanuel Missionary College in Berrien Springs, Michigan, at the same time acting as Dean of Men. During recent years, following his retirement from active service in the organized work, Elder Wood sold honey and health foods in the Charleston area. In all of his business contacts he sought for an opening to further the cause of the One whom he loved and served. As a result many souls have been led to a knowledge of present truth.

Those surviving Elder Wood include his wife, Mrs. Jennie Wood; two brothers, Ned and Wilbur; besides his two sons,

their wives, five grandchildren, and many friends and acquaintances.

Funeral services were conducted in the Charleston No. 1 Church by Elder W. B. Hill, West Virginia Conference President; Elder L. V. Finster, of the Huntington-Parkersburg district; and Elder K. H. Wood, Jr., of the Charleston Number One Church. K. H. Wood, Jr.

MURRILL: William Adair, was born at Red Sulphur Springs, West Virginia June 24, 1872 and died at Ripley, West Virginia December 17, 1942. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Glen W. Schaeffer and Miss Jane Adair Murrill; and two sons, William and Robert. Brother Murrill and his family accepted this faith in 1923 through the labors of Elder M. G. Conger who held evangelistic meetings in Ripley following a camp meeting. He was a devoted father and faithful husband. Many of his wide circle of friends were in attendance at the funeral service conducted by the writer. He sleeps in peace, awaiting the resurrection. W. B. HILL

DAVIS: Merl LaVergne, was born in Smithport, Pennsylvania, September 25, 1887 and died December 16, 1942. He was married in 1910 to Nellie O. Saxton to which union three children were born. In August of 1938 he was baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Indiana, Pennsylvania. His love for God and His truth developed a simple, sincere Christian faith. He leaves to mourn a devoted wife; two daughters, Mrs. James Hatton and Mrs. Francis Arlen; a son, Don Elroy Davis; three sisters; two brothers; and many relatives and friends. E. H. EMMERSON

WYATT: Joan Marie, infant daughter of Roy and Meta Andrews Wyatt, died as the result of accidental burns December 15, 1942 at the age of three months. She is survived by her parents and one brother, Wilson Wyatt, of Farmington, Delaware. The funeral services were conducted by the writer in the Boyer Funeral Home at Harrington, Delaware. She was laid to rest in the Harrington Cemetery to await the resurrection. DAVID G. FLEAGLE

TIMBERLAKE: Mrs. Lettie Gossett, was born at Smithfield, Ohio and died January 22, 1943 in Cleveland, Ohio to which city she had gone for treatment in the clinic. Most of the later years of her life were spent in Wheeling, West Virginia and vicinity. She, with her children, was a member of the Wheeling Seventh-day Adventist Church. Funeral services were conducted by the writer with many relatives, friends, and church members in attendance. W. B. HILL

THOMPSON: William Wiley, was born March 28, 1859, and died January 20, 1943. On March 11, 1881 he was united in marriage to Matilda Miller whose companionship was lost by death nearly 24 years later. To this union were born 11 children. Seven of these children still live to cherish his memory and mourn their loss of a faithful and loving father: five daughters, Mrs. Julia Rupard, Mrs. Lillie Rhymmer, Mrs. Bonnie Hayes, Miss Callie and Miss Dora Thompson, all of Konnarock, Virginia; and two sons, Derpha and Marion, both of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Twenty grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and a host of friends also will miss his cheery smiles and fatherly counsel. Brother Thompson heard and accepted the advent message 15 years ago and faithfully and unceasingly served his Master and his church. He was laid to rest in the new Konnarock Seventh-day Adventist cemetery. He sleeps in the blessed hope. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. C. H. SPURGEON

## Voice of Prophecy

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for one year now. I pay part of the tithe to the Adventists, and part to my church here. As there is no church here that I could enter, I had the Methodist minister baptize me into the Adventist way. There are no Adventists anywhere around mytown. I am doing my best for the cause. Please, all of you people, pray for me that the world may see Jesus in my life."

## ADVERTISEMENTS

RATES: One cent a word. Minimum charge, 25 cents. All ads must be approved by the local conference office from whose territory the advertisement is sent.

WANTED AT ONCE: Single young or middle-aged man, experienced teamster, for general farm work. Live with family. Please state wages wanted. Write to Leo J. Schuknecht, Route 3, Corry, Pennsylvania.

HELP WANTED: Man for general work. Woman in housekeeping department. Address: The Harding Sanitarium, Worthington, Ohio.

WANTED: to purchase a copy of the "Great Second Advent Movement," by J. N. Loughborough, for use in the library of the Theological Seminary. Anyone having such a book communicate with the Librarian, 6830 Laurel Street, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

RAISE vitamins in your victory garden. Bansi and Rokusan Edible Soya Beans, the ideal food. 15c lb., 5 lbs. for 65c, plus postage. Henry Weber, New Richmond, Ohio.

WANTED: To buy JUICEX Electric Vegetable Juicer,—preferably new, but will consider a used one if in good condition. Need it for use in missionary work in connection with health program. Address Mrs. H. R. Veach, 367 Winola Avenue, Kingston, Pennsylvania.

WANTED: at once, registered and graduate nurses, sincere Christians. State salary desired and experience in first letter. Mount Vernon Rest Home, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

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## SUNSET CALENDAR

	MAR. 5	MAR. 12
Baltimore, Md. ....	7:04	7:31
Cleveland, Ohio .....	7:23	7:31
Columbus, Ohio .....	7:29	7:37
Cumberland, Md. ....	7:12	7:20
Parkersburg, W. Va. ....	7:24	7:31
Philadelphia, Pa. ....	6:58	7:06
Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	7:16	7:24
Richmond, Va. ....	7:08	7:15
Toledo, Ohio .....	7:30	7:38
Trenton, N. J. ....	6:56	7:04
Washington, D. C. ....	7:06	7:13



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## Gem Thought

As a safeguard against evil, the preoccupation of the mind with good is worth more than unnumbered barriers of law and discipline.—Ed. 213.



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Make wills and legacies in favor of the  
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## "I Want to Thank You"

So writes a gentleman to whom some one sent a subscription to the *Signs* last year. He writes: "I have subscribed for the *Signs of the Times* and it is such an inspiration. A visiting minister recently told me that I should not take the Bible just as it is read. I replied that it was all given by inspiration of God. Please pray for me that I may be among the saved."

*Our Aim.*—Forward with the *Signs* during the remainder of February and the month of March. Some members are taking five and ten copies, which come to their home address for missionary work with neighbors and friends.

*Notice.*—Since the *Signs* Blank was printed, an action of the *Sign's* board of directors has granted that clubs of five or more copies to one address may be mailed to individual addresses at the rates of \$1.10 each, or \$5.50 for a club of five copies, and \$11 for a club of ten copies, etc.

*Signs* may be sent to any address in the United States for \$1.35 per year. We believe many individuals will want clubs coming to their home address and all others will want 1, 2, or 3 copies coming to them in the church club.

We hope every church will reach its full *Signs* goal—an average, in church clubs, individual clubs, and in single subscriptions, equal to a total of at least the church membership.

One individual writes, "I want to thank you with all my heart for sending me the *Signs of the Times* in the past few months. I don't believe I can express in words my appreciation. This journal really gives much light on Bible prophecy. Of all the journals I have ever read, this one has greatly enlightened my mind. I have subscribed for nine others besides myself. So you need not send me any more. I expect to subscribe for many more before this year is gone. May God bless you and all the members of the Home Bible Study League."

In view of the seriousness of these times, when thousands are seeking for the solution of present problems, with deep grief and sor-

rows coming to many homes, it is a most opportune time for all our churches to provide for and circulate a large number of *Signs* that will bring its weekly messages of hope and salvation through the glad tidings of a soon-coming Saviour. We hope for the cooperation of every church and every believer in a *Forward Move* with "*Signs*."

*More Signs going out*  
will mean

*More Souls coming in.*

ANOL GRUNDSET

## Cleveland Dorcas Federation Meets

THE Dorcas workers of the Cleveland area held their first meeting for 1943 in the Lakewood Church Thursday, January 28. There were 53 present for this meeting filled with inspiration and encouragement. Elder W. M. Robbins, our Conference President, offered the opening prayer.

Mrs. E. M. Brown, our former president, introduced Mrs. Maynard, our new president, who in turn welcomed our members and guests. We felt we were doubly blessed in having many guests. Elder and Mrs. W. M. Robbins sang for us, and also the male quartet of the Robbins' evangelistic group sang two lovely selections. During the course of the day we enjoyed more fine musical treats.

Elder Robbins told us of the necessity of doing Dorcas work and cited many examples as well as personal experiences that made us realize there is great joy in doing this Heaven-sent work.

Our former president, Mrs. E. M. Brown, was given a rising vote of thanks for her faithful and fine work done for the Federation in the past two years. As Mrs. Reed, the secretary, called for the reports, our local secretaries responded with fine and well written reports that were not only encouraging but very helpful to all of us.

The luncheon and social hour was enjoyed by all. We had two non-Adventist guest speakers. Mrs. Schweiser from the W.C.T.U. told us of the increasing danger the liquor traffic is causing among our youth at home as well as to our boys in the camps. Mrs. Schweiser told us that the statistics on the liquor traffic are amazing to those who are not generally familiar with them.

Our next speaker was Mrs. Bowers of the Red Cross who explained to us the many fine services the Red Cross offers. Mrs. Bowers reminded us that blood donors are badly needed. It takes from 5 to 15 pints of blood made into plasma to save a life. Remember, it might be your husband, your son, or your brother. Help all you can. We urge all our societies that are not preparing themselves for civilian defense to please do so. You will be glad you did.

Then came one of the highlights of the day, as our ladies' Medical Cadet Corps, under the direction of Miss Larson and Mrs. Bruder, showed us how fine it is to be prepared. We felt very happy as we watched this fine team-work performed by the Cleveland Medical Cadet Corps.

Elder and Sister Robbins closed our meeting by singing a lovely duet, and as the last words of the closing prayer faded away we felt it had been good to be there, that Dorcas work does pay and federations are splendid organizations to have.

MRS. FLORA D. REED, *Sec'y*

MRS. MARGARET MAYNARD, *Pres.*



COAST TO COAST - SUNDAY EVENING

**The VOICE OF PROPHECY**

"And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth." Rev. 14:6

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Coast to Coast—Mutual Broadcasting System

WE are being swamped with enrollments in the new Free Junior Bible Correspondence Course. In many of our schools all the children are enrolling and then putting on a drive to enroll every Junior in this new illustrated course. We firmly believe these lessons will be the means of leading many families to the light in these dark hours.

The conversions from the adult course are most inspiring. Here is a most unusual and stirring letter which just came in from an enrollee down in Tennessee: "In answer to your letter, I will say that many thoughts are new to me. I was brought up in the Methodist church. Everlasting torment and the Sabbath troubled me. Once I dreamed of the earth with everything made new. I never knew of the Adventist doctrine until a few years ago when I met an Adventist girl and the things she told me were a great revelation. I felt the message was sent of God, just as though an angel from heaven had spoken. So I began keeping the Sabbath and have kept it for several years. I have only paid tithe

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