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## A Present Danger

WORLD leaders today demand the best that human life can offer.

There is at stake the stability of the nation, the well-being of the community, of the home of the individual,—therefore, every agency that interferes in any way with national preparedness or strength must be restricted or eliminated.

An outstanding destructive enemy at large in this fair land of North America is alcohol.

Alcohol is an enemy. Physically it is a poison. Financially it is a wrecker. Spiritually and mentally it is a destroyer of men's souls and minds.

The Bible pronounces a woe upon the drinkers of alcohol in these striking and solemn words: "Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine and men of strength to mingle strong drink." Isaiah 5:22.

We repeat, alcohol is a poison. A poison is always a poison, it matters not how attractively it may be wrapped or how glowingly advertised.

Physicians all agree that alcohol is a poison, and none have attempted to deny this fact. One of London's outstanding doctors wrote of beer:

"Beer is a devitamized, devitalized, drugged, decayed, impoverished drink, and nothing under the sun but poisoned water."

Three of Baltimore's leading doctors—none of them prohibitionists—appealed to the American Medical Association to use its influence to have all alcoholic liquor labeled as poison. Alcohol is a poison, and poison never supplies what the nation demands in these days of need and stress.

This poison is being consumed at a cost of upwards of \$12,715,000 per day in the United States alone. The annual consumption of liquor is sufficient to buy 15,258,000 twenty-five-dollar war bonds each month of the year. That is some-

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thing worthy of thought. Since poison is destructive to human life, and all other life, the above statement means that all this money is simply being thrown away. Therefore, financially, alcohol is a wrecker.

J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, is authority for the statement that for every \$10 received in liquor revenue, there is a direct cost to the United States of \$66.95. That means financial insolvency.

The attested story of the repeal of the Volstead Act is a sordid one. This repeal was deliberately engineered by a group of millionaires, led by the DuPont interests, who, in order to save heavy personal and corporation taxes, successfully sought to reintroduce liquor to the people of America.

To some men individual wealth is of greater value than human life or national prosperity.

Alcohol beclouds the mind and confuses the thinking of those who consume it. Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, President of Stanford University, declares: "The widespread misuse of alcohol does not go well with intricate instruments of industry and war, or the cyclonic maneuvers of combat."

With the promise of 1932 that the saloons, where this body and mind-destroying poison was sold, would not return—today we find them multiplied three times as compared with pre-prohibition days.

In such a time as this, when morale is needed, we find brewers and even men prominent in government circles publicly declaring that the service men must have alcohol to lift their morale.

As Dr. George B. Cutten, ex-president of Colgate University, so recently and aptly stated, "The

morale which comes out of the bottle is not the morale which goes into the battle."

Because of the serious situation and the tremendous danger facing this nation and its people through increasing intemperance, some thinking people are awakening.

One writer says, "Either America must destroy the liquor traffic, or the liquor traffic will destroy America."

Several states are turning from wet to dry. Eight hundred newspapers throughout the land are writing against the liquor traffic. One of the nation's leading weekly journals has recently refused to advertise liquor in spite of most tempting offers.

Churches are becoming active, and young people are being stirred to do something for their own protection. Recently in Texas a group of 7,000 youth demonstrated with flags and banners, demanding that something be done about the terrible alcohol situation.

It was a Seventh-day Adventist—Captain Joseph Bates—who formed the first total abstinence society in North America. Others within our ranks followed his lead, and today as a people we should be occupying a position of absolute leadership in this temperance movement.

The question is, Are we really doing it? Elder Floyd C. Carrier was called last October to be the Secretary of the American Temperance Society of Seventh-day Adventists, with headquarters at the General Conference Office in Washington, D. C. He has made valuable contacts with the leaders of our own and other churches, and with temperance organizations.

In our churches temperance societies are being organized, and temperance leaders and secretaries appointed, so that as an organized body we may make greater prog-

ress in this important and needed reform.

Rallies are being conducted at regular intervals, and from a number of centers literature is being distributed.

The recent Temperance number of the *Signs of the Times* enjoyed unprecedented circulation—amounting to 2,300,000 copies.

There is much yet to be done, and "time is short." As the messenger of the Lord wrote, "We have no time to lose, the end is near, probation is closing."

With millions subject to enslavement through the chains of alcohol, shall we not, as a body of men and women called of God to lead out in these last-day reforms, seize this great national and human need as our opportunity?

In "Ministry of Healing" we find these words:

"Let an army be formed to stop the sale of the drugged liquors that are making men mad. LET THE DANGER FROM THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC BE MADE PLAIN, AND A PUBLIC SENTIMENT BE CREATED THAT SHALL DEMAND ITS PROHIBITION. Let the drink-maddened men be given an opportunity to escape from their thralldom. LET THE VOICE OF THE NATION DEMAND OF ITS LAWMAKERS THAT A STOP BE PUT TO THIS INFAMOUS TRAFFIC."—Mrs. E. G. White.

## Recent Manpower Developments

The War Manpower Commission has abolished the 4-H classification, thus paving the way for the resumption of the drafting of men over 38 years old "if and when the armed forces determine they can be used in the military establishment."

Local Boards have been directed to:

1. Classify no more men in Class 4-H.
  2. Classify all agricultural workers now in 4-H as 2-C or 3-C by May 1.
  3. Place all other 4-H registrants in classifications to which they properly belong by reason of occupational dependency and physical condition as soon as possible after May 1. This means that our ministers who have been placed in 4-H should automatically go back to 4-D.
- Registrants who are reclassified out of 4-H and have no cause for deferment other than age will be placed in 1-A and will be the first men over 38 to be inducted if and when the armed forces determine

they can be used in the military establishment.

In order that registrants over 38 who are reclassified into other classes can be distinguished from men under 38, the new regulations provide:

"Whenever a classified registrant has reached or hereafter reaches the thirty-eighth anniversary of the day of his birth and has not attained the forty-fifth anniversary of his birth, he shall be identified in all records by following his classification with the letter H. If such registrant is in Class 1-A, he shall be identified thus, Class 1-A (H). If such registrant is in Class 2-B he shall be identified thus, Class 2-B (H). If such registrant is in Class 3-C, he shall be identified thus, Class 3-C (H). If such registrant is in Class 4-F, he shall be identified thus, Class 4-F (H). The identification (H) shall be used for such registrant regardless of his classification."

Broader bases for occupational deferment for college and university students has been advised by Selective Service. Occupational Bulletin No. 11 lists the following as eligible for such deferment:

1. "Competent" undergraduates who are scheduled to graduate on or before July 1, 1945 and who are studying to become any of the following: Engineers (aeronautical, automotive, chemical, civil, electrical, heating, ventilating, refrigerating, air conditioning, marine, mechanical, mining, metallurgical, petroleum, radio, safety, sanitary or transportation); bacteriologists, chemists, geophysicists, mathematicians, meteorologists, naval architects, physicists, astronomers.

2. Graduate student in any of the fields mentioned above if in addition to pursuing further studies he is also acting as a graduate assistant in a recognized college or university. His work should either be certified as related to the war effort by a federal agency or he should be instructing not less than 12 hours a week in one of the designated fields.

3. Undergraduate, preprofessional student (medical, dental, veterinary, osteopathic, theological) if he is a full-time student in good standing at a recognized college or university provided he will complete his course by July 1, 1945 and has been unqualifiedly accepted in a recognized medical, dental, veterinary, osteopathic or theological school.


4. Students in professional schools (medical, dental, veterinary or osteopathic) provided they are certified by the institution as being in good standing. Internships are not to exceed one year. This does not include theological students who are deferred by law.

5. "Competent" undergraduate students of agriculture, forestry, pharmacy and optometry provided they have completed one half of their undergraduate work.

Selective Service advises an additional six months of deferment for students who have completed their training to allow them to find suitable jobs in the armed forces or essential civilian activity.

CARLYLE B. HAYNES

**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

BOX 55 · LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Coast to Coast—Mutual Broadcasting System

THIS morning as I see this large pile of heart-stirring letters and definite interests in this message, it seems too bad that we cannot read them all to you. Not until the day of glad reunion will you or we be able to realize fully what it has meant to have this last warning message flung from coast to coast and from pole to pole.

"This is a most wonderful lesson. It should convince anyone that ever had any doubt about the Sabbath. The only Sabbath is the seventh day. I know now beyond a shadow of doubt that God's Sabbath is Saturday, and I must keep that day if I obey God and can be called a child of God."

Just as I had written that much, one of the seventy workers here at the Voice of Prophecy office brought in a letter from a spiritualist minister in New York City. Here is what it says:

"As you may recall, I was an associate minister in a Spiritualist Church and as such my zeal knew no bounds as I felt I was doing the Lord's will. Then came the Voice of Prophecy broadcast into my life, and I enlisted for the course. I praise the Lord and thank Him that by His grace I endured unto the end, and have gained a great victory over the enemy of my soul. After the fourth lesson, the Lord started dealing with me and by vision and revelation, the works of the devil were made known to me and I was called out to separate myself from all uncleanness and be prepared for service in His vineyard. I gave up my position in the church which also included the State Missionary-ship."

Then this former minister asks us to pray for him that he will have complete victory in the matter of the Sabbath. You will pray for him, won't you?

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# POTOMAC

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## News Notes

THE Winchester Sabbath School report reveals that their branch Sabbath school turned in \$25.30, their home division, \$20. This was a material aid to the excellent goal they reached of 33 cents per capita for the Winchester Sabbath School. Besides the financial goal, Winchester also reached the membership and daily study goals for the quarter.

The Potomac Conference has made the 30 cents-per-capita goal again this first quarter. For three consecutive quarters we have reached 30 cents or more.

Sabbath, March 27, was a red-letter day in the Petersburg Sabbath School. For the first time, the school reached Dollar Day on Thirteenth Sabbath. After a very interesting short program given by the children, Ruth Philligan brought out her basket and recited the poem, "Drop Them In." The people responded gladly by dropping in their dollars. With the first count the Dollar Day had been reached. Congratulations to the Petersburg Sabbath School.

On a recent Sabbath a rally was held in the Fredericksburg Church in the interest of the Sabbath school work. The morning session was devoted to the value of Bible study. In the afternoon session the organization and general Sabbath school plans were discussed. Those taking part on the program had given thought and study to their topics which were presented in a clear, interesting manner. Saturday night moving pictures on the work in Africa revealed some of the work that is being accomplished through Sabbath school offerings. All felt inspired to take a more active interest in the Sabbath school.

By the first of April the Roanoke Church school had already raised \$100 for Ingathering. Two girls in the Richmond Church school have raised \$100 each.

Crisis books and Bedtime Stories changed in price at the time of the Spring Council from 25 cents a copy retail to 35 cents a copy.

These books are still available to our people at half price.

Because of paper rationing and the large increase in sales by colporteurs, many trade books and Crisis books will be out of print either temporarily or permanently within a few months. You had better plan soon to get those books you have been wanting.

According to our records, one out of every two members in our conference last year was invested as a Minute-Man. You will be interested in noticing the following table, giving the number of Minute-Men in your church in relation to your church membership.

In 1939 at the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the Student Volunteer Movement, John R. Mott presented a stirring appeal based upon their motto, "All Should Go, Go to All." This organization for more than half a century has been training young men in colleges and universities throughout our land for missionary service.

This is the final moment of time. Let us wholeheartedly accept the challenge to go to all

Listen to  
**Station WOL, 1260 Kc.**  
Sundays 9:45 A.M.  
Mondays through Fridays 11:45 A.M.  
**BOOTHBY-MANSELL**

with this message. "We are on the very verge of the time of trouble and perplexities that are scarcely dreamed of are before us. . . . Intense earnestness should now take possession of us." "Testimonies," Vol. 9, pp. 43, 44.

In this year of destiny may you willingly sacrifice your talent and strength to attain speedy Minute-Man Victory for Christ. Determine that your church will be among the 100-per-cent churches with every member a Minute-Man. If, in addition to the church members raising their Minute-Man goal, the juniors and youth also achieve Minute-Man honors, your church will be distinguished as one of the churches with more than 100-per-cent Minute-Man participation.

Let us resolve to make this excellent Student Volunteer Motto our compelling slogan, "All Should Go," and by our intensive Minute-Man activity send more missionaries to all nations.

	Mem.	Minute-Men	%
Portsmouth	18	22	122
Hillandale	57	69	121
Danville	10	9	90
Comus	9	7	87
Amicus	22	19	86
Yale	43	37	86
Conference	15	12	80
Hyattsville	190	136	75
Leesburg Co.	4	3	75
Glen Echo	55	40	73
Hillside	84	61	73
Petersburg	48	35	72
Appalachia	24	17	71
Lynchburg	45	32	71
Roanoke	94	65	69
Rileyville	31	12	66
Buena Vista	14	9	64
Oak Ridge	25	16	64
Winchester	47	29	62
Altavista Co.	8	5	62
Mt. Lebanon	13	8	61
Staunton	65	39	60
Ilda	23	13	56
Arlington	73	39	53
Richmond C.	40	21	52
Konnarock	65	33	51
South Boston	6	3	50
First Church C.	226	110	49
Harrisonburg	35	17	49
Mt. Pleasant	81	39	48
Newport News	81	38	47
Norfolk	65	30	46
Staunton C.	16	7	44
Sanitarium	285	122	43
Petersburg C.	54	23	42
Vienna	104	43	41
Alexandria	80	32	40
Takoma Park	732	307	40
Capital Memorial	436	215	40
Fredericksburg	45	17	38
Kilmarnock	70	27	38
Galax	19	7	36
Richmond	273	94	34
Spencer C.	3	1	33
Ephesus C.	245	81	33
Wytheville	12	4	33
New Market	54	15	28
Sligo	1007	267	26
Ford	33	8	24
Danville C.	30	7	23
Norfolk C.	36	7	19
Newport News C.	41	7	17
News Ferry C.	6	1	17
Stanley	71	10	14
Alexandria C.	10	1	10

BE ONE OF THE 100-PER-CENT MINUTE-MAN CHURCHES

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## News Notes

ANOTHER baptism of six precious souls was conducted following the Sabbath morning preaching service, April 3. We are glad to welcome these new believers into our church here at Charleston.

In just two weeks' time the Charleston Church has reached well over half of its 1943 Ingathering goal.

K. H. WOOD, JR.

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### Why Not This Week?

WHEN this copy of the VISITOR reaches you, we shall be near the close of the first week of Ingathering. Personally, I have decided to have the money for my goal in the treasury this first week. Why wait any longer? The goal is not large—it is only \$12.55. If all our people could only raise this small amount or write out a check for it, the campaign would be finished in one week. We can do it. Why not?

The success of this six-week campaign depends on organization in the churches. Is your church organized into bands? A church I visited on a recent Sabbath was thoroughly organized. The leader of the band said that it would require only about \$24 a week for each band of about twelve members to reach the goal in six weeks. That is a small amount to raise. Why shouldn't we put this campaign over in six weeks? Where there's a will, there's a way." Let us roll up our sleeves and make a quick job of it, and sing the song of victory.

Think of what your money will do. It will take the light of truth to persons sitting in the midnight darkness of despair, who have no ray of light. Let us rise and raise our quota, and see that the advent message marches on to those who yet sit in darkness.

T. M. FRENCH

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### Farewell

I AM reminded now more forcefully that we belong to the advent movement. It is now 28 years since Mrs. Carter and I began to work with our literature in the Ohio Conference. Since then, we have labored in West Virginia, Chesapeake, New Jersey, West Pennsylvania, and East Pennsylvania. We are now leaving to answer a call to connect with the Northern California Conference as Field Secretary.

We have enjoyed our labors together with all the workers and church members in these conferences. We have enjoyed very much

visiting with you in your homes. Most of all, we have enjoyed the blessings we have received around your family altars as we have read the Word of God and prayed together. These wonderful seasons we shall long remember.

We are leaving with a great deal of joy in our hearts, as we think of the thousands of homes in which we have placed our wonderful literature. As we leave you, we shall pray that God, by His Spirit, will water the seed that has been sown. I want to thank the presidents with whom I have labored in this union, and all the ministers, for their cooperation. We shall continue to pray that God will send more workers into the vineyard, that the work may soon be finished.

We say good-bye to every colporteur with whom we have labored, and may God keep you faithful until Jesus says, "It is finished." Then will come that grand reunion, when we can all meet our Saviour face to face, and be escorted to those heavenly mansions He is preparing for us.

Our new address will be 527 25th Street, Oakland, California.

GEORGE H. CARTER

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### Progress of Harrisburg Number Two Church

THE colored work in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is on the upward grade. The last Sabbath in January we took possession of a property, the first in the history of the church, which becomes our permanent home. We are glad to have this place where we can invite the public to hear the last message of God to a doomed world. Already we are seeing many new faces regularly in our midst. We feel that the Lord led in finding this place. It was bought for one-half the assessed valuation. The community is all we could ask for, and this is quite a contrast to the community from which we moved. The present financial status is safe and sound. All things being equal, there will be no need for anxiety.

A new spirit is taking hold of the membership. More calls than can be answered are coming in, and some are answering, "Here am I; send me." We already have a branch Sabbath school, and two more have been organized. Financially, the work is making strides. Our tithe for the first quarter of 1943 shows nearly a 400-

per-cent gain over the same period of 1942. The offerings show a 100-per-cent gain. We have been on the honor roll for Harvest Ingathering for the last three years. The membership has doubled since we came two and a half years ago.

The time is ripe for a tent effort, and we feel sure if we can have one, our membership can be doubled. We solicit the prayers of our good people for the work here. To God be all the glory.

R. L. BRADFORD

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### Mammoth Week—"Blockbusters"

A MILITANT book man came into my office and said, "Brother Colporteur dropped twenty 'blockbusters' last week, and he is just a new worker, too." I said, "Brother, what's a 'blockbuster' in colporteur parlance?" He said, "Oh! Those big sets we're selling." I said, "How many books are in those sets?" He said, "We combine 'Great Controversy,' 'Desire of Ages,' 'Bible Readings,' and 'Patriarchs and Prophets'—selling them on the Easy-Payment plan." "What do they sell for?" I asked. He replied, "Those sets have 3,200 pages of Seventh-day Adventist literature and they sell for \$31.20 in cloth and \$42 in leather."

#### Mammoth Week

Just as the great shell of explosive weighing from two to four tons, called in common military parlance the "blockbuster," makes possible the devastation of modern cities of enemy countries, just so the spiritual "blockbuster" described in the foregoing paragraph conveyed by the Easy-Payment plan makes possible the great spiritual conquest of city and countryside of the Chesapeake Conference in these momentous closing hours of human history. The consecrated vision and energy of our colporteur army concentrated on a given territory within a planned period has truly produced marvelous results.

#### Officers and Workers Plan Conquest

Captain Circle and his two lieutenants—Jones and Matthews—

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with men and women of the ranks, planned for the biggest "Big Week" ever. Officers and workers set their goal at \$10,000, a new unheard-of objective for this conference—and, dear friends, they went beyond the goal, placing within the six-day period \$10,547 worth of literature. There have been whole twelve-month periods not very far back in our history when our conference has sold no more than ten thousand dollars' worth of subscription books and magazines.

#### Our Hats Off to Trail Blazers

To the noble army of colporteurs who made this remarkable sale our hats our off. Significantly the men who made the largest sale also worked the longest hours: Wonderful is the record of Leslie Jones who in 81 hours sold \$1,228 worth, and delivered \$1,073 worth of literature. Following closely the record made by Brother Jones is that of Victor Onstad, who sold \$1,003 worth in 73 hours. While we can hardly hope that the Chesapeake Conference will lead the conferences in the Columbia Union this Big Week, we do anticipate that Brother Leslie Jones will hold the record for sales for the colporteurs of the Columbia Union. We shall not know concerning this, of course, until all the reports are in.

Oscar Dunn sold \$739 worth, while Jennie Russell followed closely with \$715. Our faithful Field Missionary Secretary, Brother Circle, came next with \$600 in sales. It was necessary for Brother Circle to assist others part of the time. He made the \$600 in sales in four full days. Brother Paul Cummings then came along with a sale of \$456. Hettie Jackson sold \$405 worth.

The regular book workers made a good record. Sister Beulah Houck led the procession with a sale of \$309 worth in 31 hours. Sister Venus Harris came in second with a sale of \$226.

Marching right alongside the colporteurs with their "blockbusters" were the magazine workers. Those specializing on the five-year plan led the way in sales. Sister Lloyd Holbert, our Union Magazine Leader, tops the list with a sale for the week of \$337 in 35 hours. Sister Juanita Jones, our colored associate field secretary, took second place with a total of \$308. Then followed Sister Rhoda Matthews, recently called to lead the magazine work among our

white workers, with a sale of \$262 in 37 hours.

Our single-copy magazine workers also did exploits. While their average sale was much lower than that of the five-year plan workers, the outstanding single-copy magazine sale of the week was made by Dorothy Price, who sold \$494 worth of magazines and other literature. Sister Price is an outstanding specialist in this particular work and accomplishes results that almost baffle the imagination.

Thomas Edison is reputed to have said: "Genius is two per cent

inspiration and ninety-eight per cent perspiration." An old philosopher said: "No excellence without great labor." We have not yet seen the top results of "all out" consecration and devotion in the work of God in any field in our conference. We thank our Chesapeake colporteurs for blazing the trail to great accomplishment. May the God of Heaven bless you as you march on in the great spiritual literature conquest of the Chesapeake Conference.

#### Latter Rain in Figures

Truly significant is the attain-

### LOCAL RADIO LOG For Columbia Union Conference For Week Commencing May 9, 1943

PLACE	STATION	DIAL (Letters)	Kilo.	TIME	SPEAKER
Akron, Ohio	WJW		1240	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Allentown, Pa.	WSAN		1470	Sunday 9:15 A.M.	W. C. Moffett
Atlantic City, N. J.	WFPG		1450	Sunday 9:15 A.M.	H. W. Wolcott
Baltimore, Md.	WBFR		1300	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
	WITH			Sunday 12:45 P.M.	Hanson, Harris
				Mon.-Fri. 11:15 A.M.	Hanson, Harris
	WCBM		1400	Sunday 8:30 A.M.	Hanson, Harris
				Mon.-Fri. 12:15 P.M.	Hanson, Harris
Bluefield, W. Va.	WHIS		1440	Sun. & Mon. 1:15 P.M.	E. Koch
				Tues.-Fri. 4:00 P.M.	E. Koch
Bridgeton, N. J.	WSNJ		1240	Sunday 9:30 A.M.	W. G. Gibson
Camden, N. J.	WCAM		1310	Sunday 11:15 A.M.	W. C. Jeffreys
Canton, Ohio	WHBC		1230	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Charleston, W. Va.	WGKV		1490	Sunday 9:15 A.M.	K. Wood, Jr.
				Sunday 10:30 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
				Tues. & Thurs. 7:15 A.M.	K. Wood, Jr.
Cincinnati, O.	WKRC		550	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
	WCPO		1230	Sunday, 11:15 A.M.	O. L. Denslow
	WLW		700	Sunday, 10:00 A.M.	Voice of Proph.
Cleveland, O.	WHK		1420	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
	WCLE		610	Sun.-Fri. 6:15 P.M.	Leon Robbins
Columbus, O.	WHKC		640	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Danville, Va.	WBTM		1400	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Dayton, O.	WING		1410	Sun.-Sat. 10:15 A.M.	C. Osborn
Easton, Pa.	WEST		1440	Sunday 8:30 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Fredericksburg, Va.	WFVA		1290	Sunday 1:30 P.M.	G. R. Finley
				Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
				Mon.-Fri. 12:15 P.M.	G. R. Finley
Hagerstown, Md.	WJEJ		1240	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
				Thursday 10:15 A.M.	W. F. Schmidt
Harrisburg, Pa.	WKBO		1230	Sunday 1:00 P.M.	B. F. Gernet
				Thursday 10:00 A.M.	B. F. Gernet
Harrisonburg, Va.	WSVA		550	Sunday 1:00 P.M.	K. S. Crofoot
Hazleton, Pa.	WAZL		1450	Sunday 8:30 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Newport News-Norfolk, Va.	WGH		1340	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
				Sunday 12:15 P.M.	R. S. Fries
New York, N. Y.	WHN		1050	Sunday 9:30 A.M.	R. H. Pierson
				Mon.-Fri. 9:30 P.M.	R. H. Pierson
Norfolk-Portsmouth, Va.	WSAP			Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Paterson, N. J.	WPAT		930	Sun. & Thurs. 2:15 P.M.	A. E. Holst
Philadelphia, Pa.	WIBG		990	Sunday 10:00 A.M.	J. G. Mitchell
	WIP		610	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Pittsburgh, Pa.	WCAE		1250	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
	KQV		1410	Mon.-Fri. 8:30 A.M.	A. C. Peering
Portsmouth, O.	WPAY		1400	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
				Wednesday 5:45 P.M.	Arthur Wade
Portsmouth-Norfolk, Va.	WSAP			Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Richmond, Va.	WRVA		1140	Sunday 9:15 A.M.	Voice of Proph.
Roanoke, Va.	WSLS		1490	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Salisbury, Md.	WBOC		1230	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Scranton, Pa.	WARM		1400	Sunday 10:15 A.M.	H. R. Veach
				Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Steubenville, O.	WSTV		1340	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Trenton, N. J.	WTNJ		1310	Sunday 5:30 P.M.	A. D. Nagy
	WTTM		920	Sunday 9:30 A.M.	R. K. Krick
				Mon.-Fri. 9:30 P.M.	R. K. Krick
Washington, D.C.	WOL		1260	Sunday 9:45 A.M.	R. L. Boothby
				Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
	WWDC		1450	Mon.-Fri. 11:45 A.M.	R. L. Boothby
				Sunday 7:45 P.M.	R. L. Boothby
				Mon.-Fri. 6:15 P.M.	R. L. Boothby
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	WBRE		1340	Sunday 9:30 A.M.	H. R. Veach
				Tues. & Thurs. 9:30 A.M.	H. R. Veach
	WBAX		1240	Sunday 7:00 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
Williamsport, Pa.	WRAR		1400	Sunday 12:45 P.M.	Dallas Youngs
Winchester, Va.	WINC		1400	Sunday 1:30 P.M.	Voice of Proph.
				Sunday 7:15 P.M.	P. W. Manuel
Zanesville, O.	WHIZ		1240	Sun.-Fri. 10:00 A.M.	J. M. Hoffman

Send corrections and changes to J. C. Holland, Radio Secretary, Columbia Union Conf.

ment of our publishers in these times. The call of the prophecy is—"The gospel must first be published among all nations." Mark 13:10.

A few weeks ago Elder McElhany, when addressing a group of our workers at the recent Review and Herald constituency meeting, said that a fellow General Conference worker had remarked to him after hearing the 1942 sales report for the Review and Herald territory, "We have just heard the latter rain in figures." Truly this is the time of the latter rain. Truth-filled literature should cover the earth "as the waters cover the sea." Let us press on, dear fellow literature workers, until the task is fully accomplished and Jesus comes to receive His faithful workers and people.

C. V. LEACH

## OBITUARIES

**HOTTEL:** Elder Robert DeWitt, was born March 15, 1857, at a farm home north of New Market, Virginia.

In 1860 Mr. Isaac Zirkle left the Shenandoah Valley and settled in Indiana where he soon learned of the doctrines taught by Seventh-day Adventists. Letters written by him to his relatives in Virginia aroused their interest and curiosity. As a direct result of this interest Elders E. B. Lane and J. O. Corliss accepted an invitation to come to Virginia. They arrived in New Market on Friday, January 28, 1876, and were entertained at the home of John and Elizabeth Zirkle, parents of Mrs. R. D. Hottel. Plans were immediately formulated to conduct evangelistic services in several of the near-by communities. At the first baptism held south of the Mason-Dixon line Mrs. Hottel's mother was the first of two candidates to be buried with her Saviour in Smith's Creek, two miles east of the Shenandoah Valley Academy.

During one of these series of services Robert Hottel, a tender youth of nineteen years, first heard the story of the great advent and the Sabbath truth. He struggled with convictions for about a year before he yielded his life to the Saviour, whom he dearly loved to the moment of death. In the fall of 1880 he entered Battle Creek College where he spent his first year in a Seventh-day Adventist institution. That school year settled his future plans as it brought to him the call to enter the ministry, which he accepted in 1884. On August 8, 1887, he was ordained. On January 10, 1888, he was united in marriage to Mary Zirkle, daughter of the first baptized convert of the Southland.

During the years of service Elder Hottel was dearly beloved and deeply respected by all who knew him. His life and service were filled with devotion and sacrifice to the cause he loved. In 1889 he was elected president of the Virginia Conference in which capacity he served for two years. In 1900 he was again elected to serve as president, this time for seven years. He also served pastorates in New Jersey, Delaware, Alabama, North and South Carolina, and Virginia. The last years of his life were most closely spent in service to the New Market Church and the Shenandoah Valley Academy. To him is due much credit for the survival of this institution during the earlier years of its existence.

On Christmas morning of 1942 a union of nearly 55 years was broken by the sudden death of Mrs. Hottel in her New Market home. This stroke of bereavement marked the beginning of the end to this aged and ailing veteran. He took up

residence in the Washington Sanitarium where he underwent treatments for conditions which had troubled him for years. On Sunday morning while preparing to leave the Sanitarium for a short ride with his son, William, and his wife, he was stricken and within the briefest period of time the end came.

Elder Hottel is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Florence Dove, and Mrs. Mary Fern Smith; and by five sons, William, Charles, Paul, Guy, and Professor John Hottel; also a host of friends. The funeral service was conducted in the chapel of the Shenandoah Valley Academy by Elder James Smith of Roanoke, assisted by the writer. Music was furnished by the Review and Herald male quartet. Interment was in the Cedar Grove Cemetery with the certain hope of the first resurrection.

W. T. WEAVER

**STEVENS:** Emma F. Reynolds, was born October 7, 1869 in Rock Hall, Maryland, and died March 30, 1943 in Glendale, California where she had resided since 1923. She accepted the truth in her village under the preaching of Elders R. D. Hottel and E. E. Franke, and was baptized by the former in 1892. She was graduated from the Washington Sanitarium Training School for Nurses in 1913 and followed her profession until she came to California. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Nettie Bramble; and a son, Allen. The funeral services were conducted by the writer. She was laid to rest to await the call of the Life-giver in the beautiful Forest Lawn Cemetery in Glendale, California.

J. C. STEVENS

**PERRINE:** Mrs. Jennie L. Tennan, was born July 20, 1865 at Burgettstown, Pennsylvania, and died March 5, 1943 at Academia, Mt. Vernon, Ohio. She was united in marriage to O. B. Perrine in October of 1887. They were baptized together in 1904 and joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church in East Liverpool, Ohio. Later that same year they moved to Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Eight children were born to this union. One child died in infancy, and a son, Ralph, passed away February 16, 1937. She leaves to mourn two daughters and four sons: Mrs. Effie Skeen and Mrs. Viola Eyster; and Charles, Jonathan, George, and Alvin Perrine. There are also thirteen grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren, besides many other relatives and friends. Indeed, a life of unusual sweetness and virtue came to its end in the passing of Sister Perrine. Interment was in the Morris Township Cemetery near her old home.

RICHARD F. FARLEY

**PERRY:** Mrs. Longenia, was born September 23, 1881, and died February 19, 1943 in New York City. She was a member of the Ephesus S. D. A. Church of that city, and died in the hope of a soon-coming Saviour. Interment was in Lincoln Cemetery, Portsmouth, Virginia. She leaves to mourn, a sister, Mrs. W. H. Sebastian; and one brother. Services were conducted in Portsmouth by Elder R. L. Bradford of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, assisted by Pastor J. H. Lester of Hampton, Virginia.

## 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:** Capable, able-bodied, Adventist woman as housekeeper for a family of four in a six-room house. References desired. Generous salary if satisfactory. Communicate details to Marian I. Brown, M. D., Washington Sanitarium & Hospital, Takoma Park, D. C.

**WANTED:** Seventh-day Adventist man or boy to work in apple orchard; good proposition for two boys under draft age. Write for information. J. A. Guild, Allentown, New Jersey.

**WANTED:** After June 1, Adventist mother and small child wish to rent small place with garden, chicken house. Near church and church school. Mrs. Gladys Robinson, 1594 Darwin Ave., Akron, O.

Paper is scarce, but a lucky purchase of a large job lot, enables us to furnish attractive, boxed stationery, printed with your name and address,—100 sheets 6½ x 9½, and 100 envelopes, for only \$1.25, while the stock lasts. ELITE PRESS, Box 4255, Washington, D. C.

**WANTED:** A housekeeper for my home. Also man for lawn, and extra work. Mrs. C. R. Dotson, Avalon Sanitarium, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.



### ASSIGNMENTS FOR NINETEENTH WEEK

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### SUNSET CALENDAR

	MAY 7	MAY 14
Baltimore, Md. ....	8:06	8:12
Cleveland, Ohio .....	8:33	8:40
Columbus, Ohio .....	8:33	8:40
Cumberland, Md. ....	8:16	8:23
Parkersburg, W. Va. ....	8:26	8:32
Philadelphia, Pa. ....	8:02	8:09
Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	8:23	8:31
Richmond, Va. ....	8:08	8:13
Toledo, Ohio .....	8:40	8:47
Trenton, N. J. ....	8:00	8:07
Washington, D. C. ....	8:08	8:14

### A Time for Prayer

THERE has been loosed upon the world a combination of forces that try men's souls. One young man, driven to his knees by the overpowering weight of a decision of life-and-death importance, said he had never before learned what prayer could mean.

A test no less severe awaits every Seventh-day Adventist young man and woman. Safety lies only in faith in God built up through an experience in which divine providence is recognized in the details of daily living. All who are in need of such an experience will enjoy the sixteen-part serial story beginning in the July 6 issue of the *Youth's Instructor* under the title, "Memories of Pioneering Providences in the South," by L. A. Hanson.

A reduced yearly subscription rate of \$1.95 will be allowed on the *Instructor* for one month, May 15 to June 15, when the July 6 issue containing the first chapter of this sixteen-part serial story will be ready for mailing.

All personal or gift *Instructor* subscriptions, new or renewal, entered while this special offer is in effect will include all the chapters of this thrilling story. Because of restrictions on the use of paper, the publishers can guarantee the complete series to those only whose subscriptions are entered by the middle of June. So act promptly. Order now through your church missionary secretary or from your Book and Bible House.

# THE LITERATURE MINISTRY

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

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 24, 1943

S. L. CLARK, UNION FIELD SECRETARY

OHIO				POTOMAC (Continued)				EAST PENNSYLVANIA			
F. E. THUMWOOD, F.M.S.				W. H. ATHERLY, F.M.S.				ARVA NICKLESS, F.M.S.			
NAME	HRS.	ORDERS	DEL'D	NAME	HRS.	ORDERS	DEL'D	NAME	HRS.	ORDERS	DEL'D
Erwin Ruth	46	223.00	114.40	P. Crestakos	7	11.60	35.55	D. S. Effs	45	113.70	106.80
Wendell Poole	43½	116.45	195.85	Chas. Wilson	5			O. C. Weller	42	174.05	174.05
Arletha Wallace	42	126.30	56.70	J. E. Gould	34	160.95	4.35	Wm. Blankenhorn	40	121.25	83.95
R. E. Waldron	40	308.00	99.75	A. Blevins	32		447.75	Harry Passion	40	93.25	93.25
C. McCampbell	40	68.86	60.35	J. O. Tew	31	141.71	3.85	J. H. Creighton	35	116.05	140.40
S. E. Curry	39	133.35	108.00	H. C. Wilcox	25	35.00	18.00	Mrs. E. G. Jackson	35	101.65	71.65
Harry Freese	39	169.86	184.11	G. Blevins	24	116.25		Naomi George	35	25.55	25.55
David Washington	36	75.20	72.50	Myrtle Bain	22	52.10	5.25	Elwood S. Achenbach	35	60.70	35.80
Lorene Lucas	35	58.80	48.60	Allen Hayes	22	21.50	6.25	Rayfield Guinyard	40	123.60	112.45
Marie Zimmerman	31	23.00	43.75	<i>Magazine Workers—</i>				Raymond Brown	32½	53.00	53.00
Robert Kinney	27	103.90	84.45	Myrtle Mayo	40	67.50	65.50	H. O. Wells	30	139.45	10.55
Wm. Grall	22	34.90	67.65	M. Bellamy	39	108.40	65.50	Walter S. Miller	31	13.35	13.35
McDonald Moore	46	126.00	46.52	Mrs. C. Heath	36	30.00	24.00	Melvin L. Haas	34	109.40	104.65
Minnie Kelm	36	26.00	23.25	Mary Reid	36	54.15	46.15	W. T. Smith	26	70.50	57.60
Frank Brandstetter	35	96.00	96.00	J. Fountain	35	15.00	15.00	S. L. Hurd	23	71.30	44.90
Georgia Corbin	32	10.00	10.00	R. James	35	15.00	32.40	Mrs. Wm. Smith	15	43.25	54.80
A Worker	25	55.00	55.00	Bessie Norman	33	22.50	22.50	George Baldwin	26	62.50	54.60
James Stewart	24	13.00	13.00	Mrs. W. Tate	30	60.00	54.00	Naomi George			17.00
Mrs. Charles Griffiths	24	10.50	15.75	Lorena Irvin	30	22.50	22.50	Naomi George		2.40	11.90
Wm. Schnoeblen	23	67.05	20.50	A. McNeil	29	37.85	37.85	<i>Magazine Workers—</i>			
Mrs. M. C. Bernhardt	13	24.00	16.00	Marie Powell	26	82.50	52.00	R. O. Schroeder	42	160.50	101.50
Mrs. A. T. Catlin	13	21.50	6.50	Lillian Keenan	24	77.50	68.50	Mrs. R. H. Albertson	42	52.50	46.50
Christ Heil	10	74.50	31.50	Nettye Wingo	23	82.50	82.50	Amelia Haffner	36½	39.00	19.00
Mr. & Mrs. W. Weaver		84.00	88.50	Mrs. G. Bush	16	7.50	12.00	Mrs. Daisy Goins	21½	60.00	8.00
<i>Magazine Workers—</i>				Hester Crocker	7	22.50	22.50	Miriam Justason	18	35.00	28.00
A Worker	40	105.00	105.00	S. Medley	30	39.00	39.00	Mrs. P. G. Shirley	15	37.50	55.00
Evan Miller	36	82.50	82.50	M. Gibson	20	30.00	30.00	Mrs. Mildred McDonnell	3	7.50	1.50
Laura Jane Cummings	31	105.00	112.50	B. Whitaker	16	12.50	12.50	Mrs. Hattie Hartie	21	19.50	19.50
Mrs. W. B. Pope	31	60.00	60.00	Viola White	15	6.25	6.25	Mrs. Ada Hampton	24	42.00	18.50
Lotte Julien	30	60.00	60.00	S. McKinney	14	11.38	11.38	Mrs. Anna Jackson	15	21.15	21.15
Mrs. C. L. Woods	26	142.50	142.50	A Worker	6	16.45	16.45	<b>Totals</b> 803 1969.60 1584.90			
Mrs. C. H. Daniels	15½	30.00	30.00	Ann Belue	4	7.50	7.50	WEST PENNSYLVANIA			
Mrs. Hester Alston	12½	9.75	9.75	Pauline Vasko	2	3.60	3.60	ROGER VAN ARSDELL, F.M.S.			
Anna Spicer (Collect.)	8			Julia Agnetta	2	8.00	8.00	Charlie Key	44	90.20	72.85
George Washum	48	30.00	30.00	<b>Totals</b> 1321 3298.59 2387.73				Paul S. Lindsay	41	88.35	92.25
Georgia Corbin	48	24.00	24.00	NEW JERSEY				Lillian Finch	37	82.25	76.40
Mrs. F. C. Gee	23½	29.25	29.25	CARL DORNBURG, F.M.S.				Sylvia Slagle	36	175.75	33.75
Part-time Workers	15	11.00	11.00	E. Dudley	42	371.80	124.80	Mrs. Nancie Harris	35	211.30	76.65
A Worker (Collect.)	12			U. Bracy	41	158.90	65.60	Harold Remus	16	9.60	44.05
Sallie Johnson	8	7.50	7.50	C. Hager	40	145.55	43.40	Mrs. Alice Ruffin	15	48.40	29.90
<b>Totals</b> 1105 2746.36 2263.33				John A. Craig	40	47.90	105.70	George Finch	12	9.25	18.50
POTOMAC				Mrs. John L. Effs	36	87.40	84.40	W. O. Anderson	9	72.63	68.80
W. H. ATHERLY, F.M.S.				John Craig	35	116.40	77.10	Mr. G. S. Buttermore	4	15.00	2.00
Irvin Butcher	40	174.00	182.00	Joseph Ledonna	30	94.95	73.60	Mrs. G. S. Buttermore	4	2.75	2.25
M. Richardson	40	58.75	70.50	Granville Clark	17	34.38	48.05	Mr. G. S. Buttermore	3½	8.50	7.50
C. L. Braxton	40	60.10	84.35	Granville Clark	12		15.95	Claire Saucier	33	80.00	37.50
V. Smiley	39	47.00	21.50	George Blinn	50		40.00	<i>Magazine Workers—</i>			
K. Baker	37	213.30	48.15	Mrs. M. F. Johnson	21	24.40		Mrs. L. Schlarb		22.50	22.50
E. M. Reedy	36	154.35		Mrs. M. F. Johnson	21	69.20	50.00	Mary Lucas	9	13.80	13.80
Ted Henderson	35	150.45	50.00	Part-time Workers (3)	20	16.00	16.00	Mrs. Martha Bowman	10	10.00	10.00
T. J. Hooper	32	140.25	50.50	A Worker	20	100.00	100.00	Mrs. Rosie Klein		7.50	7.50
Blaine Reedy	31	92.95		A Worker	14	61.30	29.10	D. Murphy	9	3.10	3.10
Margaret Jenkins	30	65.10	45.20	Mrs. M. W. Johnson	14	40.70	18.60	Billie Anderson	5	2.70	2.70
P. M. Jenkins	30	60.30	48.15	Marian Williams	12	48.90		Murphy	10	2.00	2.00
H. M. Dukes	23	66.60	52.55	Marian Williams	7	42.80	60	R. Nelson	4	1.00	1.00
H. E. Ruckle	21	20.85	30.80	<i>Magazine Workers—</i>				<b>Totals</b> 337 956.58 625.00			
P. Crestakos	18	220.50	60.10	Elizabeth Schneider	32	55.30	55.30	WEST VIRGINIA			
Mrs. R. Lynch	16	10.45	7.85	Mary Jane Minner	30	80.60	80.60	Carl E. Calfee	60		365.65
O. Mattingly	13	85.80	23.40	Elizabeth Simon	30	52.50	52.50	M. L. Howard	37	86.80	77.45
J. F. Hansen	13	17.85	17.85	Mrs. W. Cherry	27	56.40	56.40	Myrtle Justice	24	63.40	53.90
W. Quigley	11	58.00	60.10	Mrs. C. Herrmann	13	.50	.50	S. A. Minesinger	22	68.75	79.90
W. M. Wilson	10	16.90		Mrs. M. Nelson	9			<b>Totals</b> 143 220.95 506.90			
J. G. Vasko	9	60.80	43.10	Part-time Workers	45	41.00	41.00	"Love is the basis of godliness. What-			
Jack Marple	8		60.10	Freda Flittner	40	30.00	30.00	ever the profession, no man has pure			
Julia Agnetta	8	8.50	6.50	H. A. Baker	40	50.00	50.00	love to God unless he has unselfish love			
Robert Tyson	6	17.70	11.25	Mrs. A. Smalley	21	28.90	28.90	for his brother."—"Christ's Object Les-			
Cleo Shaw	5	18.30	24.05	Bessie Walker	10	12.20	12.20	sons," p. 384.			
O. Stimpson	5	34.40	43.25	Bessie Walker	9	3.40	3.40				
W. Skilton	3		10.45	<b>Totals</b> 778 1871.38 1303.70							
Wm. Philpott	3	11.25	11.25								
Jack Marple	9	54.95	59.20								

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## Colporteur Big Week in West Pennsylvania

SUNDAY, April 4, the colporteurs of our conference gathered at the Number One Church in Pittsburgh to lay plans to attain the largest goal ever set in the history of West Pennsylvania.

Elder Strahle of the General Conference led out in inspirational talks and instruction. Elder Swanson, pastor of the Number One Church, gave a very spiritual devotional study to begin the day. An earnest season of prayer was held.

Before leaving for their fields, the colporteurs set personal goals totaling \$6,000. Had it not been for sickness in our ranks this goal would have been exceeded.

When the final results were in, the grand total of \$5,014.15 had been reached. Ten colporteurs passed \$200 in sales for the week. Magazine sales were over \$1,000. This was a splendid total from Sister Pangborn's group.

Brother Ruffin led our faithful colored band to victory. Brother Ruffin is doing a strong, well balanced work. We are glad he is with us.

In order to appreciate what was accomplished in distributing the message through our books and magazines this year, we should review last year's report. At that time a goal of \$1,500 was set and a total of \$1,648.05 reached. Thus it can be seen that our total this year was more than three times what it was last year.

We are moved to praise God for this wonderful increase in the circulation of His literature. May He bless all those who purchased a book or magazine, that they may find this precious truth and be among the redeemed, is our prayer.

Surely this is the time to enter the great colporteur army. Any one interested in joining our colporteurs in spreading the printed page, write to the Field Missionary Secretary, Box 5092, East Liberty, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

R. VAN ARSDELL  
Field Secretary

## How the Office Looks at the Field

REPORTS on all phases of soul-winning work are constantly coming in to the headquarters office at Pittsburgh. Those who have to compile and analyze those reports draw certain conclusions from the figures and facts as stated. In this connection, may we express a word of thankfulness to our clerks, treasurers, and other officials who are in almost constant correspondence with us.

The *Signs* Campaign has proceeded a little more slowly than in years past, and we have missed the exhilarating influence of the presence of Editor Maxwell, or some of his associate representatives, of our prophetic weekly. However, we are glad to state that nearly all the clubs are being renewed, and in some instances they are being increased numerically. There is no better medium for teaching the truth in periodical form than the *Signs of the Times*.

The Religious Liberty campaign closed in the conference some weeks ago. It may be very interesting to our faithful church membership to know that a reasonably large offering was received for *Liberty* subscriptions. Approximately \$900 came from the churches of the Conference for this purpose. About \$500 has been sent forward to the publishers, as they have billed us for subscriptions already in their hands. It can be noted that subscriptions authorized by the Conference were 979, and 760 were subscriptions received from the churches, making a total of 1,739 that have already been sent forward. Very soon names will be provided for many more, which will raise the percentage of the conference from 97 per cent to far beyond the 100 per cent mark. This item has been supported very liberally.

The record of *Review* subscriptions shows West Pennsylvania leading the Columbia Union with an excess of 19 above the 100 per cent requirement. It is also very gratifying to note that no other conference in the entire North American Division has exceeded this attainment as of February, 1943.

The Missions Extension is not only in full swing, but is apparently in its closing phases. A per capita of \$1.43 already has been reached, with fully half the dis-

tricts of the Conference having reached the two-dollar-per-capita goal. There is every reason to believe that West Pennsylvania again will record the attainment of the full two-dollar-per-capita requirement. This is blessed in an hour of such great spiritual need in the world.

The Ingathering is being fostered by every church and district just as fast as the victory is reached in the Missions Extension. From districts such as Coudersport and Bradford, that have long since reached the goal in Missions Extension, comes word that they will undoubtedly sing the victory song in Ingathering by the middle of May. Our leaders are alert and are accepting every opportunity to make this campaign the quickest and most fruitful of all. The Lord is blessing them and the faithful people who are joining in their efforts.

The West Pennsylvania Book and Bible House records deliveries of books and magazines, up to the close of March, as totaling \$13,104.48. In the same period last year \$5,973.09 worth was delivered. Thus, there is shown an amazing gain of \$7,131.39. We are just beginning to realize the very large place the literature ministry occupies in the closing work of this message. It is very proper that Roger Van Arsdell and Roosevelt Ruffin and Miss Pangborn, leaders in this department, should be given credit for such successful leadership.

The recent colporteur Big Week reveals the temper of these workers. Sales of our literature reached the unprecedented sum of \$5,039.55, which is a gain over 1942 of \$3,391.50. In attaining these records the West Pennsylvania Conference has exceeded its goal for the first quarter of the year. At the beginning of 1943 a goal of \$50,000 for the year was accepted. It now appears that this conference occupies the distinguished position of having exceeded a sum which would approximate one-fourth of its goal for the first three months of the year. Many others will undoubtedly be joining the army of the Lord in the next few weeks.

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"A new commandment I give unto you. That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another." John 13: 34, 35.