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## Church Publicity Increasing

By J. R. FERREN

Publicity Secretary, General Conference

You may never have heard of the Seventh-day Adventist church at Jackson Center, Ohio. I never had until recently. At the beginning of 1943 there were 21 members; at the close, 34. Their tithe during the year totaled \$1,886.57; mission offerings, \$515.19; local missionary funds, \$46.88. The Sabbath school gave in offerings \$390.64, and the public contributed toward the Ingathering \$166.91. The members have been active in giving Bible studies and in distributing literature.

The Sidney, Ohio *Daily News* gives this and other interesting information about this faithful group of Adventists. Incidentally, the church elder says that they were organized into a church only about two years ago.

The item is headed "Seventh" (Continued on page 6).

### Army Literature Fund Success

ABOUT two weeks ago we promised to tell you sooner or later how much was realized through the Army Literature Fund from our churches and Missionary Volunteer societies this year. The remittances have all been received from the conferences and hence we are in a position to tell you what the total results have been. With the Missionary Volunteer secretaries we set a goal for the year of \$2,000 for the entire Union and you will readily see from the following statement that we have gone far beyond that amount:

	Goal	Received
Chesapeake	\$200.00	\$166.48
East Pennsylvania	320.00	551.42
New Jersey	260.00	319.45
Ohio	500.00	732.63
Potomac	500.00	802.25
West Pennsylvania	160.00	179.13
West Virginia	80.00	197.79
Total	\$2,020.00	\$2,949.15

At the beginning of the year we estimated our needs and felt that the goal of \$2,000 would be a conservative amount to set as a goal. During the year we spent \$500 that we did not anticipate at the beginning of the year for the servicemen's Morning Watch calendars.

We greatly appreciate what the societies have done to help us in supplying this literature to our camp pastors and to those in service. If your society did not take an offering on January 29 for the Army Literature Fund it is not too late to take your offering and turn it in to the church treasurer marked, "Army Literature Fund." We sincerely thank everyone who has made possible the results of last year and who is helping in our endeavors this year.

CHRIS P. SORENSEN

## NEW JERSEY

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### Dedication of Rockaway Church

THE Rockaway Church building, built in 1931, was freed of debt in 1943 and rededicated to the Lord on Sabbath, October 23, 1943.

At the end of 1940 a debt of about \$1,900 still remained against the church. With plans from the Conference, and under the leadership of Elder Nerlund, the pastor, and the labor and sacrifice of the members, the church was enabled to liquidate the debt completely by Sabbath, July 31, 1943. Together they worked—together they rejoiced over the victory attained—and together thanked God for

the success He had given their efforts.

The Sabbath morning dedicatory sermon was delivered by Elder F. H. Robbins, President of the Columbia Union Conference, and the dedicatory prayer was offered by Elder M. G. Conger, President of the New Jersey Conference.

The early history of the church dates back to 1908 when Brethren C. E. Gray and W. B. Plant pioneered this territory with our truth-filled literature. Other interesting facts and data were related by the local elder, Albert Johnson. Commending the church for its achievement in lifting the debt, Elder Conger handed the treasurer the note covering the balance of the indebtedness. Much interest was manifested in this note and great joy was expressed as the note was later burned by the local elder.

A number of pledges were made toward a fund for further improvements in the church, and after a liberal thank offering had been taken, the congregation sang in closing the Sabbath services, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow," and we were dismissed with prayer by Elder Robbins.      ALBERT JOHNSON

### News Notes

*Reaching the neglected class:* For years a large group of people has been largely neglected by us in the giving of the message. Your Conference committee has accepted and agreed to promote throughout this field a suggested plan to reach these. It has been difficult to interest the wealthy of our communities through the regular means of work, yet we know that these are many times as needy for the gospel and as honest in heart as are those of lesser means. A special offering will be taken in each church of the Conference on February 5 for this work. This enterprise calls for the generosity of every believer.

*Sabbath school progress:* We

## Temperance Rally

A LARGE temperance meeting will be held in the Livingston Avenue Methodist Church in New Brunswick, Sunday night, February 6. Dr. Frank Yost from the Theological Seminary will be the speaker. We hope that all our members from our churches in the vicinity will plan to attend and help to make this meeting a real success.

W. S. JOHNSON  
Temperance Secretary

thank the Lord for the splendid gains shown in the compilation of the third quarter report for 1943 of the fifty Sabbath schools in the New Jersey Conference. We credit each officer and each pastor for this splendid showing. We are happy to report a total offering of almost \$8,000 during the third quarter through our Sabbath schools, nearly \$3,000 of which was the Thirteenth Sabbath offering. More than \$410 came in through the Investment fund, and still more is on its way. God is blessing the work of our Sabbath schools. We are seeing much progress being made throughout the field. We had three "A" Sabbath schools last month, as well as seven "B" and ten "C" schools. We know that many others will be working to improve their grade. It is with a feeling of joy that we are also able to report that sixteen of our white schools reached their full goal of an average for the quarter of 30 cents per member, as well as four colored schools which deserve the same credit. We are looking to our present year of 1944 as an outstanding period of soul winning through the Sabbath schools. We give thanks to God for His many blessings.

*Investment service at Newark Number Three:* Your Conference Sabbath School Secretary reports a most interesting and unique investment service held in the Newark Number Three Sabbath School. Each person taking part in the service had his money, secured through the Investment plan, in a small laundry bag about three inches square. Then as opportunity was given, they all arose one row at a time, as their victory song was sung, marched to the front, and hung their bags on

a line stretched across the front of the church. That same evening they held a church social at which they raised additional money for Investment. More than \$106 was hung on the line during Sabbath school period, besides that which was raised at the social. Congratulations, Newark Number Three! We hope that many Sabbath schools will catch the same spirit.

*The Jericho Number One Sabbath School* during 1943 used every possible legitimate means for raising money for the Investment offering. Their efforts have been greatly blessed in the large amount which they have raised. They report more than \$300, which is more than \$4 per member. Many thanks to the Jericho Church for this splendid endeavor. We hope that every Sabbath school will work toward this end.

C. R. FRENCH

## Week of Prayer

A MOST blessed Week of Prayer was experienced throughout New Jersey. The faithful, spiritual labors of our district ministers were generously supplemented by the daily intensive service of every Conference office ministerial worker and by the presence in our field of the following General Conference and Union Conference brethren: Elders J. F. Wright, H. T. Elliott, N. F. Brewer, J. J. Strahle, W. K. Ising, C. P. Sorensen, and J. H. Wagner. New Jersey

### New Jersey

## Colporteur Evangelist Training School

Newark, New Jersey

FEBRUARY 13-20

THE Lord is impressing many to do colporteur evangelistic work. If you feel that the Lord is really calling you to soul-winning service in the literature ministry, you should attend the New Jersey Colporteur Evangelist Training School.

For more information write to: Field Secretary, New Jersey Conference S. D. A., 1574 Brunswick Avenue, Trenton 8, New Jersey.

C. A. DORNBURG

churches greatly appreciated the presence and counsel of these visiting brethren. A "schedule" of this supplementary help had been prepared and was carefully followed. In addition to the regular, heavy, daily responsibilities, some of our office workers traveled hundreds of miles, visited a dozen and more churches, and engaged in much spiritual counsel. Some of the services were combined meetings, where the interest was heightened by several congregations of one city meeting together for the evening.

Churches, academy, and church schools entered into the Week of Prayer most heartily. The attendance and interest was very en-

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## WEST VIRGINIA

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Parkersburg, W. Va.

Make wills and legacies in favor of the Seventh-day Adventist Book Society.

## Winning the Wealthy

THE Spirit of prophecy speaks very clearly about our duty toward the wealthy. "There is a work to be done for the wealthy. . . . Many in high social positions are heart-sore and sick of vanity. They are longing for a peace which they have not. In the very highest ranks of society are those who are hungering and thirsting for salvation."—"Christ's Object Lessons," pp. 229-231 (1900 edition.) Again, "The servants of Christ should labor faithfully for the rich men in our cities, as well as for the poor and lowly. There are many wealthy men who are susceptible to the influences and impressions of the gospel message. . . ."—Volume 9, pp. 113, 114.

You will recall that Nicodemus was a rich man. He accepted the

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gospel of Jesus Christ, and he employed his wealth in sustaining the infant church that the Jews had expected to be blotted out at the death of Christ. Might it not be that there is at least one Nicodemus, or several, right here in West Virginia who will employ wealth to help finish the work of the remnant church! Our dark counties might be speedily evangelized and more funds flow into the needy mission fields. In West Virginia there are 1,830 families, Catholic and Protestant, that receive an income each year of \$10,000 or more. Surely there are honest hearts among this class of people. It is our purpose to find them, and to win them to the truth of the third angel's message. A plan has already been worked out whereby we may tactfully approach this wealthy class of people.

The Southern Publishing Association has provided literature to use. It includes the booklet, "David Dare" which will likely be called "The Search for Certainty"; twelve issues of the *Watchman* magazine; and the booklet, "Why I Am a Seventh-day Adventist," under a new title of "My Confession of Faith." Appropriate inserts and a lovely introductory card and envelope explaining why the literature is being sent, will be mailed to each wealthy family. The price per unit will be 85 cents. In order, therefore, to reach these 1,830 wealthy families, it will cost \$1,555.50. Suggestive goals have been sent to each church. Our isolated believers are cordially invited to send in a liberal offering to help finance this plan, too. The date set for receiving the offering is *February 12*.

On our way to the Omaha Home Missionary meeting, Elder W. B. Hill and I met and conversed

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with a very influential national leader among men and youth. During our conversation, he requested that we send him some of our literature since he knew very little about Seventh-day Adventists. Select literature was sent. Since receiving it, he has written to us that "My wife and I spent sometime together in familiarizing ourselves with its contents. In the main, I am in full accord with the viewpoint set forth and the information conveyed." This man is President of a large insurance company, owns much land, and is no doubt a wealthy man. Do you ask, "Who is he?" Well, he is none other than the President of the Boy Scouts of America. Today he is reading and appreciating Seventh-day Adventist literature. There are many more good, honest, wealthy men and women who do not know the truth for this time. But they should know. If we convey the message to them, however, the Lord promises that "Some will accept it." Brethren and sisters, the least we can do is to give a liberal offering on *February 12*. Sow the seed. God will honor our efforts, and will give the right increase.

H. E. VOORHEES

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**EAST PENNSYLVANIA**

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**Notes from the Field**

THE Conference President visited the Harrisburg and Lebanon Churches on the week-end of January 15, and met with a most cordial reception from both of these bodies. Elder H. W. Walker took up his work in this district on December 1. It is quite evident that the hearts of his people have opened and received him and Mrs. Walker in a most cordial manner. His work is well in hand and is pointed toward great successes in the immediate future. May the Lord bless his efforts to advance the message in the Harrisburg district.

Brother Harold Toms reports that an effort he has been conducting in Honesdale is now nearing the "binding off" period. At the very height of his presentation a nominal church evangelist of some note appeared in the city and spoke with considerable vehemence

and venom against the work of Seventh-day Adventists. Some disparaging remarks were made which seemed quite inappropriate for one engaged in Christian work. However, Brother and Sister Toms have steadfastly continued their meetings, and it appears that there will be a fine class baptized as a result of their labors. There is a possibility that some answer may be given to this bold defier of the gospel armies of Israel.

Elder J. G. Mitchell is perfecting his arrangements for an effort of some dimensions in the City of Chester. The beautiful Masonic Temple auditorium has been secured and connections have been made with various advertising interests which will permit a large publicity. The evangelist will be assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Christman, who previously have been serving in the Norristown district in connection with an effort held by Elder Dallas Youngs in Norristown. We bespeak a definite interest in the prayers of God's people that this effort may be one of more than ordinary fruitage.

The people of the two Italian churches in Philadelphia are thrilled at the arrival of William Aprile and his family to take up work in the Italian language in the city. There are many thousands of Italian people in Philadelphia, and it is a heartening thing to know that this citadel is about to be attacked in a very earnest way by this young worker who comes to us from Pacific Union College and who is of Italian origin. Associated with him will be Miss Lilla Morati as a Bible instructor. There is every reason to believe that new life will come to the work in this language as Brother Aprile takes up his work.

Elder C. R. Gibbs and family are now located in their new home beyond 69th Street. This experienced worker comes to us from Atlanta, Georgia where he was pastor of the Beverly Road Church. Elder Gibbs is a man of ripened judgment and throughout his career has been a successful winner of souls. The North Philadelphia Church has welcomed him as pastor, and already there are signs of new advances which give courage to the workers there. He is cordially welcomed to the circle of Philadelphia pastors.

Elder G. F. Theiss of Milwaukee has now located a home and is entering into his work as the

pastor of the Philadelphia German and Telford Churches. Elder Theiss is a man of long experience in both foreign and home fields. He is being cordially welcomed by the members of his churches and is laying plans for an intensive evangelistic campaign in the near future.

Elder C. L. Blandford, pastor of the Temple Church, reports that progress is being made in the building effort under way. At least \$35,000 is to be raised and a church will undoubtedly be purchased in a desirable neighborhood as soon as sufficient funds are in hand. Under the leadership of Mrs. Trautman, a work of solicitation has been going forward that is very productive and bids fair to permit a reasonably quick realization of the objective.

Elder J. D. Snider, manager of the Book Department of the Review and Herald, and Elder W. P. Elliott, General Manager of that organization, were in Philadelphia Sabbath, January 29, the former occupying the pulpit at the Ebenezer Church, and the latter speaking at the North Philadelphia Church.

A colporteur institute convened for nearly 10 days at the Temple Church in Germantown on Monday, January 30. The literature forces of the field have enjoyed remarkable success during the past year, having delivered in excess of \$96,000 worth of message-filled literature. This represents an increase over 1942 of more than 100 per cent. So the colporteur army, under the leadership of Elder Arva Nickless, convened for training and planning for the year 1944. Brother S. L. Clark and Mrs. Lloyd Holbert of the Columbia Union Publishing Department were on the instructional staff and occupied leading parts in conducting the institute. Brother C. H. Boyts of the Book and Bible House also gave strength to the meetings, especially in behalf of the easy-payment and periodical work. For the first time the Magazine Department was represented by a leader in the person of Mrs. Ruth Albertson, who already has begun to gather additional persons for that department.

L. H. KING

## A Sabbath School in Embryo

AN interest has been created among the Jugo-slavian people in Jonestown, near Lebanon. Elder

and Mrs. A. D. Haynal, who have been laboring in our conference since last summer, give a most encouraging report of these faithful, truth-loving people. If the interest continues—and we believe it will—we shall have the privilege of organizing our first Jugo-slavian Sabbath school in the Conference. Shall we not all pray that God will water the seed already sown, that it may yield a bountiful harvest of precious fruit for the kingdom?

SYBIL M. KING

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

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## Oil City's Investment

THE Investment plan was new to many members of the Oil City Sabbath School, inasmuch as a goodly number of these members have only recently accepted the third angel's message, but it cannot be called new any longer.

Last May the Investment program explained fully the meaning of Investment, its objects, and presented a host of suggestions as to things which could be done. At the close of this enlightening program the Investment secretary made a few remarks showing that, "Without a goal, nothing is accom-

plished." A goal of \$100 was suggested. Some really felt this was too large, as this is a small Sabbath school, yet they agreed to work toward that end.

The interest was not allowed to lag, for every two or three weeks a call was made for funds to be turned in and the progress was recorded on the Investment thermometer. The mercury kept climbing gradually, much to every one's satisfaction.

On December 4, the fall program was held. The mercury was well toward the top and yet—it wasn't quite there. Before the recitations by the children all remaining funds were collected and when the last child had finished, the Investment secretary showed us that the mercury was overflowing. A total of \$105.57 had been gathered. One sister gave the money from Sabbath eggs, another who owns some oil property gave the increase in her oil check. Another sister who is an invalid gave a penny for each guest she had. Each one had done his part and God has blessed the efforts of this faithful group.

We are already working on Investment for 1944 and feel sure that with God's help we shall do better than in 1943.

MRS. JAMES R. CHAMBERS  
*Investment Secretary*

## OHIO

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## A State Legislator's Response to "American State Papers"

IT has been my privilege recently to visit various local members of both houses of the Ohio state legislature in the name of the American Religious Liberty Association. I left with each one the complimentary copy of "American State Papers" supplied by the Conference. One of these men was not at home when I called, so I left the book with his wife. A few days later I received from him the following letter of appreciation:

OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Columbus, Ohio

January 9, 1944

Pastor Richard F. Farley  
Mt. Vernon, Ohio

Dear Sir:

When you so graciously presented me with a copy of "American State Papers"

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Make arrangements with your Field Missionary Secretary—

ROGER VAN ARSDELL  
Box 5092, East Liberty,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

on freedom in religion, my wife failed to get your full name, but I assume from reading the church items in the "News" that you are the donor.

I very much appreciate your kindness and assure you that I will read the book at my first opportunity.

The farther this war progresses, the more I am persuaded that the freedom we are fighting for will never be secured by governmental fiat and balancing political power, but by a real application of the teachings of Christ, commonly called the Golden Rule.

Again thanking you for your gift, I am  
Sincerely,

In all my contacts with these men in whose hands the legislation of the State of Ohio resides, I found them friendly and courteous and appreciative of our principles and of the book.

RICHARD F. FARLEY

## Farewell Reception

AN open-house reception was held in the home of Mrs. Rachel Blakely by members of the Youngstown Number Two Seventh-day Adventist Church for Brother and Sister H. F. Brown of Cleveland. Brother Brown has faithfully served as local elder of the Youngstown Church for the last four years and has asked to be released from his office this year. Brother Brown has not only given faithful and untiring leadership of the Youngstown Church the four years he has served as its elder, but he and Mrs. Brown have endeared themselves to the hearts of the church members and many not of our faith who live in the city. While Brother Brown is not now serving as our local elder, we are satisfied that his prayers and interests will still be for the Youngstown Church.

MRS. BERTHA FANCHER

## News from Cincinnati Shiloh Church

THE Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist Church at Cincinnati reports an inspiring meeting on the Thirteenth Sabbath, December 25, 1943. While the world was celebrating Christmas in its fashion, this group of church-goers were showing their appreciation of the birth of Christ by trying to send the third angel's message to all the unreached parts of the world. The result of their sincere efforts was \$401.22, which will be sent to further the gospel of the soon-coming Saviour.

The official roster of the Sabbath school is as follows: Mrs. E. Taylor, superintendent; Mr. S. P.

Gross, assistant superintendent; Mrs. Zoe Wright, secretary; and Charles Jenkins, assistant secretary.

That Shiloh has really caught the spirit of evangelism, both at home and abroad, and is determined to make this the greatest year in the history of the church, from the standpoint of souls won and funds raised, will be evidenced by future reports.

We beg an interest in the prayers of all the believers.

B. J. KNOX

Reporter, Cincinnati Number Two Church

## CHESAPEAKE

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## Critical Hour for Remnant Church

BEFORE us stretches another twelve-month period through which we hope to labor as earth's dark night hastens on apace. Men are planning and dreaming of a thousand years of peace under human government in one form or another. While we honor and respect men for their high ideals and earnest labors, we know that all plans for permanent peace are doomed to failure. Just as long as sin prevails in the hearts of men there will be fighting on a national as well as international scale.

Forward-looking statesmen anticipate the importance of the coming peace table and hope to so stabilize international relationships as to guarantee permanent peace. Already prominent leaders are stressing religious principles they believe should be woven into the fabric of the world program of the future.

That some kind of religio-political plan on a world-wide scale will appear is clear from the prophecy of Revelation 13: "And he exercised all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed." Revelation 13:12.

Thus the greatest of world political powers, the United States of America, is pictured in its final role as supporter and promoter of papal principles, whose objective

in human government is reached when church and state are united.

The place of the remnant church in its relationship to the trend toward union of church and state is clearly indicated in the Spirit of prophecy. The church, under direction of able leaders in the field of religious liberty, has held religious laws in abeyance in America. How long these trends can be prevented from crystalizing into law no one knows. We do know that if we will be up and doing in behalf of religious liberty principles we can, under the blessing of heaven, restrain persecuting forces until the work is nearly done.

A potent instrument has been provided for us in the *Liberty* magazine, the only magazine devoted exclusively to religious freedom in America. Let us continue to circulate it by the thousands in the Chesapeake Conference. Last year some supplied 100 subscriptions, many 50 subscriptions, and large groups supplied 25, 10, and 5 subscriptions respectively. Our day of opportunity is here. We have no assurance of tomorrow. Let us labor while the day lasts. Let us labor while we may.

C. V. LEACH



February 6-12

### ASSIGNMENTS FOR SIXTH WEEK

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### Gem Thought

We are to ask blessings from God that we may communicate to others. The capacity for receiving is preserved only by imparting.—C. O. L. 143 (142)

### THEY MAGNIFY THE WORD OF GOD

Last year and this year I have followed the systematic reading of the Spirit of prophecy books, and cannot speak too highly of this method of growth in grace and spirituality. It has meant much to me in Bible study, for these books magnify the Word of God so as to make clearer the meaning I would not exchange the Spirit of prophecy books and the privilege of reading them for all other blessings that I enjoy.—A Missionary Reader.

### SUNSET CALENDAR

	FEB. 4	FEB. 11
Baltimore, Md. ....	6:30	6:38
Cleveland, Ohio .....	6:47	6:55
Columbus, Ohio .....	6:53	7:01
Cumberland, Md. ....	6:37	6:45
Parkersburg, W. Va. ....	6:51	6:59
Philadelphia, Pa. ....	6:22	6:30
Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	6:41	6:49
Richmond, Va. ....	6:37	6:45
Toledo, Ohio .....	6:55	7:03
Trenton, N. J. ....	6:20	6:28
Washington, D. C. ....	6:32	6:40

# Washington Missionary College

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## "Truth Triumphant"

"A MONUMENTAL work in support of our faith," is one comment regarding "*Truth Triumphant*," a gripping account of the teachings of Jesus Christ and the apostles, as those doctrines were preserved through the Dark Ages by heroes of the cross. It is a clear exposition of the true church in Ireland, Scotland, and England, under the leadership of the great men, Patrick, Columba, Dinooth, and Aidan, and sets forth the valiant struggle of the Waldenses to preserve the Bible and the pure doctrines of the apostles.

This book features the struggle of truth in the period from 538 to 1798, showing how it marched so triumphantly in Syria, India, China, and the Philippines under the hand of God. It contains the real facts of the history of God's true church from the apostolic age to modern times, and bears a definite message that establishes confidence in God's leadership. It is a well-rounded study of the great prophetic gift and its value to the remnant church.

Presenting evidences of the guiding hand of God through the history of the advent movement, and showing how the prophetic gift has remained in the church through the ages, "*Truth Triumphant*" is a fitting sequel to "*The Abiding Gift of Prophecy*." Every layman who has read that volume will appreciate this new book as a masterful introduction to "*Gift of Prophecy*." Fully indexed and containing complete footnotes and bibliography, it is invaluable as a reference book on the Church in the Wilderness, and thus should be in the library of every minister, teacher, and student.

Dr. Wilkinson has spent years in study and research in preparation of the manuscript, and can justly be proud of a work that has no equal in its field. It is prepared in an easily readable form that will hold the attention throughout. We recommend it to all as being of great value in establishing faith in the Church in the Wilderness as "the true church of Christ, the guardian of the treasures of truth which God has committed to His people to be given to the world."

# POTOMAC

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last day of the meeting, which was largely devoted to the study and work of evangelism, far exceeded the goal set in 1943. If these goals in souls are reached, what a mighty revival it will bring to every church and company of believers throughout the Potomac Conference!

H. J. DETWILER

## News Note

MRS. L. J. PRYOR, wife of the pastor of the Washington First Church, was painfully injured in a streetcar accident about two weeks ago. She is still confined to her bed, under the care of her physician.

## Rambling Through Nature . . .

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If you would like to start but do not know how, write to me. I shall be happy to get you going.

There are only three kinds of rock. First, igneous, which means made by fire, such as plutonic granite which is formed deep in the earth or of volcanic rock or lava, quartz, and mica. Next, sedimentary, which is made from sediment—mud and sand washed about by the flood or later rains—which has hardened like cement. Examples of these are limestone and sandstone. Lastly, metamorphic, or rocks that have changed their form owing to heat or pressure as limestone will change to marble, solid clay to slate for roofing.

Note: Send all communications directly to R. N. Montgomery, Newark, Delaware.

## Church Publicity Increasing

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Day Church At Jackson Gains." As it closes, the time of all services is given, with a general invitation to attend.

What a thrill it gives to know that by someone's faith and effort this little story of this thriving Adventist church has gone into approximately 8,000 homes in the communities served by the *Sidney Daily News*. Truly it is a good example for all our churches, many of which are larger and possibly more favorably located for newspaper publicity.

I am glad to tell you that the publicity work is becoming a part of the program in many of the churches in the Columbia Union, and many splendid reports covering various phases of their work are being published. We are anxious to see all our churches having this experience.

Our newspaper audiences run into many thousands of people, a large number of whom know little or nothing about Seventh-day Adventists. Pray with us that the Lord's Spirit may impress and influence favorably many who read the reports of our work their newspapers are bringing to them.

## NEW JERSEY

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couraging. A wholesome spirit of consecration and seeking the Lord was everywhere present. Appreciation of the spiritual blessings received was clearly indicated in the very liberal Week of Sacrifice offering surpassing all previous records. One hundred German believers brought to the Lord \$820 in this one offering! The Trenton English Church alone contributed more than \$500. Many other churches doubled and more than doubled what they had been donating in previous years. The grand total of this Annual and Week of Sacrifice offering amounted to the sum of \$5,080.46, a splendid amount indeed to augment our ever-increasing gifts to finish the work that Christ may come and His people go to their eternal home in the new earth. For all these spiritual blessings we reverently, humbly thank God, who alone made them possible.

M. G. CONGER

## ADVERTISEMENTS

RATES: Two cents a word. Minimum charge, 25 cents. All ads must be approved by the local conference office from whose territory the ad is sent. Payment must accompany all ads.

WANTED: Help in grocery store. Address R. M. Jerman, Gambrells, Md.

WANTED: Convalescent and invalid patients. Excellent care. We use old Battle Creek methods. We offer sweat baths, Swedish massage, colonic irrigations, special diets. Reasonable rates. Write J. P. Beach, R. D. 2, Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Telephone 1217-W.

WANTED: Good farmhand. Just 6 miles from Fredericksburg. Good salary with usual allowances. For further information write M. L. Carter, 630 18th St. S., Arlington, Va.

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# THE LITERATURE MINISTRY

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

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 15, 1944

S. L. CLARK, UNION FIELD SECRETARY

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

ARVA NICKLESS, F.M.S.

NAME	HRS.	ORDERS	DEL'D
George D. Yoder, Sr.	46 1/2	55.35	79.05
Elwood Achenbach	40 1/2	139.50	54.90
R. Guinyard	40	127.60	95.70
M. L. Haas	40	234.55	100.45
D. L. Leshar	40	111.60	40.80
O. C. Weller	36	95.85	95.85
Henry A. Fowler	35 1/2	61.75	49.80
William T. Smith	35	71.60	9.70
Mrs. M. E. Sims	32 1/2	78.80	50.40
Ray Brown	23	54.00	17.70
Mrs. W. T. Smith	21	88.50	34.80
John Creighton	19 1/2	156.70	147.75
Naomi George	17 1/2	20.10	20.10
Elsie Passion	17	15.50	15.50
Luke G. Price	14	16.40	16.40
M. L. Howard	31	78.90	
Myrtle E. Justice	30	87.45	
Evelyn Rafferty	22 1/2	10.50	5.70
H. G. Lewis	10	6.25	6.25
Earl B. Smith	5	11.25	
Evelyn Rafferty	4		1.75
Mildred McDonnell	1	17.50	4.00
<i>Magazine Workers—</i>			
Charles S. Miller	40	169.30	139.10
Mrs. L. Frey	16	52.50	52.50
Mrs. Dorothy Price	40	200.00	200.00
Totals	658	1961.45	1238.20

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

ROGER VAN ARSDELL, F.M.S.

Lula Crowder	51	33.25	32.95
Charles Key	50	166.05	39.70
Paul Lindsay	48	130.80	88.65
Lillian Finch	40	67.20	55.25
Edgar S. Campbell	38	57.00	57.00
Richard Lange	35	39.00	29.40
Alfred Redding	34	38.35	78.25
Alice Ruffin	29	160.35	95.50
David S. Reid	18	29.40	27.30
Fred Cermak	15	25.55	33.35
Alma Lange	12	52.50	52.50
G. J. Schuerger	20	46.50	22.75
Mrs. G. J. Schuerger	20	38.33	2.70
<i>Magazine Workers—</i>			
Agnes Bonda	30	132.05	127.05
Mrs. A. Pangborn	31	110.25	110.25
Clara B. Clark	9	68.05	60.60
Dorothy King	15	37.50	
Mary Lucas	20	28.30	40.30
G. Daughenbaugh	7	7.50	8.50
Martha Bowman	24	10.00	10.00
Carrie Finch	20	10.00	10.00
Mrs. Lvdia Klesa	2	5.25	5.25
Mrs. T. White	8	2.90	2.90
Miss Broadnock	8	2.00	2.00
Totals	584	1298.08	992.60

## POTOMAC (Week ending Jan. 22)

W. H. ATHERLY, F.M.S.

Louise Crichlow	45	127.80	71.80
H. R. Cullen	44	137.30	197.40
G. R. Tutt	40	66.60	66.60
Mrs. H. Howard	35	112.95	
Irvin Butcher	34	144.00	166.25
Mary Reid	34	38.50	38.00
Katherine Baker	34	164.95	29.50
P. M. Jenkins	33	76.60	36.00
Margaret Jenkins	33	51.75	26.80
Edna Dodge	31	34.20	87.85
J. G. Vasko	30	135.95	84.05
Marv Mills	26	33.70	81.90
Charles Wilson	25	26.15	14.10
W. M. Wilson	22	25.95	
Lillian Freeman	50		151.00
C. L. Braxton	35	50.65	92.00
Alease Anderson	31	39.25	70.40
Mary Reid	18	40.80	40.80
Ted Henderson	36	40.25	292.75
LeRoy Buckner	36	73.00	7.80
P. Crestakos	31	115.55	87.90
Floyd Williams	31	26.50	11.95
Arnold Blevins	42	150.00	
Blaine Reedv	41	49.00	177.25
Garland Blevins	40	150.00	
J. E. Gould	29	23.70	20.55
Louise Benoit	21	53.45	43.00
Mrs. Ted Henderson	10		63.25
Queen Adams	10	24.00	24.00
Myrtle Bain	4		
J. P. Priest	10	20.00	20.00
E. M. Robinson	10	20.00	41.00
L. Buckner	32	9.60	
J. O. Tew	19	29.25	48.75

## POTOMAC (Continued)

W. H. ATHERLY, F.M.S.

NAME	HRS.	ORDERS	DEL'D
<i>Magazine Workers—</i>			
J. F. Hansen	35	173.20	85.95
Myrtle Mayo	26		
Mrs. W. Tate	23	23.80	
Marion Robinson	21	13.45	13.45
Mrs. L. Newton	21	47.80	
Lillian Keenan	10	14.35	4.35
Marie Powell	16	47.80	47.80
Mrs. C. Heath	12		
No Name	12		
Marie Powell	11	35.85	35.85
Mrs. L. Newton	7	12.20	
Pauline Tutt	25	25.00	25.00
Ida Jeffers	20	44.15	44.15
S. McKinney	10	11.58	11.58
Panzv Corbin	8	7.40	7.40
Grace Wilhoit	7	7.00	7.00
Totals	1266	2604.98	2375.18

## CHESAPEAKE

C. F. CIRCLE, F.M.S.

Leslie Jones	48	127.60	123.80
Edward A. Percy	40	169.80	83.10
J. H. Berry	39	108.60	
Ada B. Thomas	31	98.60	57.50
L. F. Cunningham	10	27.70	59.60
Henry & Sarah Grant	15	13.10	13.70
<i>Magazine Workers—</i>			
C. R. Mitchison	13	47.80	47.80
Annie Bannister	40	55.00	55.00
Mary Johnson	30	38.85	38.85
Mrs. Carrie Pindell	21	35.10	35.10
Floyd Williams	20	45.00	45.00
Honest Glenn	13	12.80	12.80
Edward Randall	10	12.50	12.50
Sophia Williams	10	10.00	10.00
Totals	340	802.45	594.75

## OHIO

F. E. THUMWOOD, F.M.S.

NAME	HRS.	ORDERS	DEL'D
Ralph E. Waldron	60	446.20	334.20
A. Clark McClurg	40 1/2	129.85	190.00
S. E. Curry	35	111.95	161.15
David Washington	34	28.90	31.00
Wendell Poole	33	32.35	88.15
Robert Kinney	30	108.50	99.20
Wm. C. Scales	30	246.00	49.70
George W. Sisson	18	181.60	121.50
Arletha Wallace	18		
Part-time Workers	125	100.00	500.00
Mrs. L. Nichols	40	54.25	54.25
James Stewart	29	24.15	24.15
E. G. Haines	28	29.50	54.75
A. Worker	25	35.00	35.00
B. Brunton	12 1/2	14.35	20.75
<i>Magazine Workers—</i>			
Naomi Evans	10		
Mrs. C. Walden	14	15.00	15.00
Edith Hanvey	31	112.50	112.50
Mrs. M. Bernhardt	20	14.50	14.50
Mrs. F. C. Gee	17	23.05	23.05
Mrs. E. Kemerer	16	18.00	18.00
Totals	666	1725.65	1946.85

## WEST VIRGINIA

L. A. WARD, F.M.S.

E. N. McClellan	37	86.35	86.35
Thomas Carlton	34	197.00	119.70
J. W. Burgess	21	153.35	127.80
E. G. Belcher	60	209.45	
H. M. Jones	47	50.00	
Mrs. J. Calloway	26	41.25	22.50
Luciel Floyd	18	33.75	
Mrs. Steve Pantili, Jr.	4	21.00	21.00
Steve Pantili, Jr.	2	12.50	12.50
Totals	249	804.65	387.85

Rambling through Nature . . .

with Uncle Ray

**JUNIOR ASTRONOMER.** "The lesser light to rule the night." Our moon always presents the same face to us, pitted with craters, shadowed by mountains and marked with light-colored streaks. Among these surface markings you may, if your imagination is good, not only see the man in the moon but also a crab, a girl reading a book, a donkey, and a lady's face.

The moon helps to raise the tides in the ocean twice a day. It is believed by many who cannot accept an unscriptural theory as to the origin of the moon that before the flood it shone with its own light, as the Bible calls it a "lesser light." At the time of the flood this light was put out, thereby playing a part in the "windows of heaven" opening by chilling warm moisture-laden air and causing heavy rain to fall. This is the way in which rain is formed today. It is reasonable to believe in the restoration of all things in the earth made new the moon will again shine instead of merely reflecting the sun's light.

The earth and its fellow planets, namely, Venus, Mercury, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune, and Pluto, and the sun and moon together with the lesser sky children—asteroids, comets, and meteorites (falling stars)—make

up our solar system. Unfortunately, they have been given heathen names in honor of false gods. The stars are outside of our corner of the universe. They are suns and are like bystanders watching children playing ring-around-the-rosie, the planets being the children circling the sun while the stars go their own way. These planets or other worlds are not inhabited by strange creatures of terrifying and evil natures such as seen in comic papers but are inhabited by beautiful people.

Note the following quotation from the Spirit of prophecy: "The Lord has given me a view of other worlds. . . The grass of the place was a living green, the birds warbled a sweet song. The inhabitants of the place were of all sizes; they were noble, majestic, and lovely. They bore the express image of Jesus and their countenance beamed with holy joy. . ."—"Early Writings," pp. 39-40. It is possible at nighttime this week to see three of these worlds in the sky, namely, Mars, Saturn, and Jupiter.

**JUNIOR GEOLOGIST.** Do you have a collection of stones? Why not? You may buy one or, better still, collect it yourself in quarries, afield, and in banks of streams and sand bars.

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# POTOMAC

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Make wills and legacies in favor of the  
Potomac Conference Corporation of Seventh-day  
Adventists.

## Church Officers and Conference Workers Meet

A CONFERENCE-WIDE meeting of ordained and licensed ministers, Bible instructors, church elders, Sabbath school superintendents, home missionary and missionary volunteer leaders, was held in the Seminary Chapel, at Takoma Park, January 10-13.

The meeting opened at 2 P. M. with a soul-stirring address by Elder F. H. Robbins, our Union Conference President. Brother Robbins presented the certainties of the advent message in contrast to the speculations of man. The first devotional service was conducted by Elder J. L. McElhany, President of the General Conference, on Tuesday morning. He spoke on trends in the remnant church. His study was most inspirational and uplifting.

The first hour of the convention was given to the consideration of items submitted by Elders C. P. Sorensen and J. D. Haynes of the War Service Commission of the Columbia Union. They reported that they find Seventh-day Adventist boys in the service devoted to the truth, loyal, and courageous. Plans were approved whereby our boys will be supplied with our church papers and certain denominational books. Every spiritual benefit that can be conferred upon them during the time of their training in the various army camps throughout the Potomac Conference will be freely given by our camp pastors.

An excellent presentation of the topic, "How to Build Up the Home and the Need of Proper Training in the Home," was given by Prof. and Mrs. D. E. Rebok of the General Conference.

Brother W. H. Atherly and his three associates presented a thrilling account of the progress and advancement of our earnest group of colporteur evangelists for 1943. During the past year, they delivered \$120,500 worth of our truth-filled books and periodicals. Ninety attended the colporteur institute held in Washington, D. C. January 2-8.

The great opportunities of the

Religious Liberty Department were vividly presented by Elders H. H. Votaw and C. S. Longacre of the General Conference. Brother W. H. Hackett, Assistant Secretary of the Religious Liberty Department of the Columbia Union, gave a most enlightening report of the aims and objectives of the twelve-month calendar reform advocates. Should their plans carry, the time-honored weekly cycle would be utterly destroyed, and the seventh-day Sabbath would fall upon a different day of the week each year, and upon two different days during leap year. Large sums of money are being spent by them to bring about this proposed change. This wicked scheme, sponsored by those who have no faith in, nor regard for, the sanctity of the Sabbath of Jehovah, presents to us many opportunities to set before civic organizations, church bodies, educators, and other groups the vital issues involved in the proposed change. Indirectly, we also have opportunity to set before these same groups the binding obligations of the Sabbath commandment in the Decalogue.

Excellent instruction was given by Elders Dart and Edwards, in charge of the Sabbath School, Educational, Missionary Volunteer, and Home Missionary Departments. We greatly appreciated the outstanding help from Union and General Conference departmental leaders present. All departments of the work in the Church and Conference were faithfully considered during the meeting.

Definite plans were laid to carry the truth, during this centennial year of our work, to many of the dark counties where we now have no organized group of believers. The 65 dark counties within the confines of the Potomac Conference offer a challenge of the greatest magnitude to our whole constituency, to every Conference worker, church officer, and member. We plan to evangelize one-fourth of these counties in 1944. This may be accomplished through the earnest efforts of our colporteur evangelists, by the circulation of our truth-filled literature, and by offering free the Twentieth-Century Bible Correspondence Course, and by conducting tent and hall efforts; also, by establishing branch Sabbath schools and through other ways and means that were prayerfully studied during this great meeting.

Conference workers and church officers freely participated in the

discussion of the topics presented during the entire meeting, making it one of supreme interest and inestimable value from the beginning to the end. The deepest interest was manifested in the consideration of every item listed on the agenda.

Elder Boothby gave a marvelous study on "The Baptism of the Holy Spirit, Our Supreme Need." Elder T. M. French, instructor in Pastoral Training at Washington Missionary College, set forth the great need of doctrinal preaching in the presentation of the message for these momentous times. Sister Walsh, now connected with the Washington evangelistic effort, quoted the following words from the messenger of the Lord: "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." She emphasized most earnestly the need of training every layman in the church so that all might be able to present the solemn truth for this time to their neighbors and friends. During the year, many churches in the Potomac Conference plan to conduct training classes on "How To Give Bible Studies."

A deep spiritual atmosphere prevailed throughout the entire meeting. Church officers, ministers, and Conference workers returned to their homes and churches with renewed courage and determination to make 1944, the centennial year of our work, the most fruitful in soul-winning evangelistic endeavor ever recorded in the history of the Potomac Conference.

The goal set for souls on the  
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### POTOMAC CONFERENCE Colored Lay Evangelistic Institute

FEBRUARY 5 AND 6

EPHESUS CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

LEADING INSTRUCTORS

Forums on:

Answering Objections  
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Important Topics

Demonstrations

Delegates coming from  
every church!

Trained Delegates Plan a  
Greater Soul-Winning Cen-  
tennial Year!