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How Churches Can Help Our New York Warehouse

By J. C. HOLLAND

THE members of the churches in the Columbia Union are to be highly commended for the splendid amount of clothing they have gathered, repaired, and sent to the New York warehouse. The latest report shows that a total of 59,059 pounds was sent during the months of June, July, and August of this year. This is very encouraging, yet it is far short of the needs and what we had hoped would be gathered. With the greater needs which were vividly presented to us recently and the urgent appeal for larger gifts of both clothing and food, we are confident there will be a whole-hearted response by all our people, resulting in much larger gifts of clothing for the next few months. To save the 60,000 of our people from freezing, we must be prompt in getting clothing there before the weather is too severe.

Before the clothing is packed and shipped, the Dorcas societies check every garment to see that it is clean, in good repair, and worth sending. Fortunately, most of the clothing brought to the various depots and churches is in good condition; however, recently some very soiled clothing has been received, and much of it is absolutely unfit for use. We are happy to report that this is not the usual thing, and perhaps did not come from the homes of any of our members. However, some of the Dorcas societies have appealed to the writer to get word out to all our churches to do everything they can to eliminate garments that are too badly soiled and too poor to be used. So we are making this earnest appeal to everyone who gives clothing to send it to the depot clean. I am sure everyone will be glad to cooperate in this matter.

A request to cooperate with the workers in the warehouse in two ways has come to us from the New York warehouse committee. Only about one-third of the garments have the label, "Contributed by Seventh-day Adventist Churches of North America," attached to the garments when they arrive in the New York warehouse; and since the General Conference plan is to have one of these labels stapled on every garment, the volunteer workers who give their time every week to sort and re-pack the clothing to be shipped to Europe have to take their time to staple these labels on the gar-

ments. If every Dorcas society would see that these labels are attached before the clothing leaves the local church, it would be a great help to the workers at the New York warehouse. Any society that does not have a supply of these labels should order them from the local conference Home Missionary Secretary.

The other way in which we can be of greater help to the New York warehouse and to the whole relief program is to see that the express or freight charges are paid on every box or package of clothing that is sent. Many have failed to do that and have made it very difficult for the warehouse, as they have no funds with which to pay express or parcel post. The money that the General Conference has to provide to pay for these packages is so much money taken from the food fund that has been raised, and causes somebody to go hungry as a result. We are appealing to our churches to raise the money and prepay the freight or express on all shipments to the warehouse.

The blessing of God is resting upon this great missionary endeavor, and everyone who has a part will hear the words spoken, when Jesus comes, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Colporteur Rally Sabbath

WHEN? October 4, 1947.

WHERE? In every Seventh-day Adventist church throughout the Columbia Union Conference.

WHY? In order that the importance of colporteur evangelism may be brought with new and added force to the attention of all our people. Sister White said, "The importance of the colporteur work is kept ever before me."

A suggestive program will be found in the October number of the *Church Officers' Gazette*. Also up-to-date experiences from our field are being sent from the conference headquarters to the churches. The hearty cooperation of each conference worker and church elder is earnestly solicited in making this special day set apart by the General Conference a real success.

J. F. KENT

Children Starving in America

MANY parents today complacently assume that our schools *really* teach everything, but a closer look reveals that the child's education is not complete without the contribution which can come only from his home. Though great strides have been made in raising the standards of classroom teaching and technique, the prevailing lack in the educational system was recently stated by one writer in these words:

"With all their advantages, America's children are being starved as surely as were war victims, only in an area which shows

it less at the moment. Our children are showing signs of spiritual rickets. They are starved for the food which will make strong their backbones of moral integrity and fill well their minds with principles of right and wrong, and develop in their hearts ideals shaped by love of Christ."—*Christian Home Life*, July, August, September, 1947.

How grateful every Seventh-day Adventist parent should be for our system of schools, which gives religion its proper place in the training program! The above statement should be a challenge to Christian parents to be alert to detect any symptoms of spiritual disease. Just as physical rickets is a sign of malnutrition, so spiritual rickets results from certain deficiencies.

In a world that is fast losing its appreciation of spiritual values, we have an added incentive to bring up our children in the way they should go. "Nothing can replace the training of the home." Yet we are made sad to see many parents neglecting or ignoring their part in the training program. Because of the unique position which parents occupy in the education of their children, the Home and School Association functions to combine the work of these two important institutions. "The teachers in the school should have a sympathetic understanding of one another's work. They should labor together harmoniously, imbued with the same missionary spirit, striving together to benefit the children physically, mentally, and spiritually, and to develop characters that will stand the test of temptation" ("*Counsels to Teachers*," p. 157).

As the school bells all over the land call the children to return to their books, shall they not also call each parent to renewed effort in behalf of his children? Many parents feel inadequate to their task, but association in study and counsel with others having the same interests bring mutual strength. The Home and School Association is the medium for supplying this mutual help. Lay plans at once to begin the regular meetings with the opening of school. Suggestive topics for consideration at these meetings for the 1947-48 school year are to be found in the Department of Education section of the August issue of *The Church Officers' Gazette*. Thereafter program material on these topics will appear month by month in this

same section of the *Gazette*. This magazine is a *must* for every Home and School leader. If you are not already receiving it regularly, order your copy now, and be prepared to conduct meetings that will be worthwhile.

Further, to meet the specific needs of parents, home education courses are available on several age levels, for group or individual study. Your conference educational superintendent will be happy to explain this study plan, to fill your order for any of these courses, and to give all possible assistance. Our heavenly Father has given us a definite plan for parents in their work. Do you know what it is? "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them."

MRS. FLORENCE K. REBOK
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Living in the Country

THE Commission on Rural Living is making up an additional listing of business opportunities, farms, and homes for sale, jobs, and other openings in the country to send out to those now living in the cities who are interested in this information.

We ask once more for this information to be sent in to us from all quarters so that we may have a complete list of such openings, jobs, farms, and homes to send out to our people desiring to get out of the cities.

We ask also for those living in the cities who are interested in receiving this information to send in their requests. All requests and all information should be mailed at once to: C. B. Haynes, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Washington 12, D. C.

CARLYLE B. HAYNES

Influence of "Our Little Friend"

Our Little Friend is now in its 58th year of service. It is impossible, of course, to measure its influence upon the lives of our children and youth through all the years. Thousands of mothers and fathers would gladly testify to its great helpfulness in the homes of Seventh-day Adventists. The following excerpts from letters reveal a little of the influence of our children's paper in non-Adventist homes:

1. The wife of a Methodist

minister expressed appreciation of the visits of *Our Little Friend* to her home and wrote: "There are thousands of homes about us that need just such a paper for the children. They should have its uplifting influence."

2. In a Sabbath school convention a mother arose to tell of the influence of *Our Little Friend* that was brought to her home by a child. Then her two little girls were invited to attend Sabbath school with the child who brought the paper. Week by week the girls received *Our Little Friend*. The mother read the Bible lessons as well as the stories. The father became interested. Mother went with the girls to the Sabbath school. The family is now in the church.

3. A local church elder tells of *Our Little Friend* sent regularly through the mail to his daughter by a friend in the West. He read the stories to his little girl. She begged him to read the Bible lessons also. This was the first Biblical matter he had ever read in his life. He was impressed with the lessons. They led him into the light.

Our Little Friend is the most helpful thing we have today in starting branch Sabbath schools. Requests frequently come to the *Our Little Friend* office for sample copies to be used in contacting homes where a school is being started. There is a tremendous need for this type of missionary effort today. We are informed by those who know that some 18,000,000 boys and girls in the United States are without any connection with church or Sunday school. No religious influence is being brought to bear upon their lives. What a challenge to us! It is God's plan that our own boys and girls and

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their parents be enlisted in the work of gathering in others. And *Our Little Friend* is the best helper in such work.

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Most Difficult Task Well Done

ONCE heard the following remarks which I believe give room for thought:

"To write books is easy; it requires only pen, ink, and paper. To print books is a little more difficult, oftentimes because of illegible handwriting. To read books is more difficult still; one often has a tendency to sleep. The most difficult task of all that a man can embark upon is to sell books."

There seems to be a lot of truth in that last sentence. The person who masters the art of selling has ability, and the one who has proved his calling in the spiritual ministry of literature is outstanding.

As we look over the reports each week, we rejoice that in the colporteur evangelist army in our beloved Ohio field we have a band of outstanding men and women who I believe this year will prove outstanding, too, in respect to souls as well as sales.

The work of the Ohio colporteurs is being followed up by a correspondence course. The following letter was written by a lady who is taking the course as a result of being contacted by one of our colporteurs. Could this be one of your experiences? Why not?

"Today I received your card inquiring about my unreturned lessons, numbers 18 and 19. In an earlier lesson we were taught to sound out or prove and test the doctrines and spirits. Having been reared in Methodist and Christian Church creeds, and following marriage, the Episcopal faith, I was quite disturbed at the Sabbath lessons. However, follow-

ing much contemplation and discussion of the Sabbath, I am ready to accept the message; and in so doing, I have convinced and enlisted *another member*. I'm ashamed of my ignorance of the Bible and lack faith in being worthy of our Lord's acceptance. I'm trying very hard and sincerely hope to be found faithful."

Here is another experience just recently sent in by one of our literature evangelists:

"The good Lord is still blessing me with souls. Last Sabbath we had another baptism, and there was a family of three baptized together that the Lord led me to last winter. They are rejoicing in the truth with us now, and their daughter is planning to go to Mt. Vernon to attend the Academy this fall."

On the week-end of October 17 to 19 we are holding a soul-winning beginners' school. This will be a very fine opportunity for those desirous of doing soul-winning work to receive valuable instruction. If you wish to do such work in hastening the master's soon return, we should like to assist you to attend this rally.

"The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Psalm 68:11.

May we hear from you soon?

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News Notes

Conference Office News. Elder and Mrs. H. R. Nelson, Ray, and Cheryl were recently in California, where Elder Nelson attended the youth's congress at San Francisco.

Elder F. C. Webster is conducting a Bible training class in the Youngstown Church, and visited a number of churches in the interest of the Famine Relief Offering.

Mrs. C. H. Boyts has undergone a major operation at the Mt. Vernon Sanitarium, and we are happy to report that she is making a good recovery.

On August 10 Miss Myrtle Felter was married to Robert Burdette in the Mt. Vernon Academy chapel. Mrs. Edna Vorus of Columbus, Ohio has been employed to fill Miss Felter's vacancy as secretary to Elder F. C. Webster.

Miss Alice Minesinger, who has been serving as receptionist and helping in the treasury department, has resigned in order that

she may attend Washington Missionary College this fall. Mrs. Nadine Norrick of Mount Vernon has been secured to fill this vacancy.

Mrs. Kenneth Lilley has been giving good service as a worker in the Book and Bible House.

M. L. C.

Farewell to Cleveland

It is with deep reluctance that we come to the termination of two years of very fine association and labor with the members of the Cleveland area churches. During the past two years, we have not only enjoyed the acquaintance of the brethren and sisters in Cleveland, but are also very thankful to the Lord for what He has been able to help us accomplish. We are particularly grateful that since the commencement of our fall effort last year we were able to baptize 46 believers into the advent faith.

While we are now leaving the personal association with all of you, we shall continue to think many times of each of you and shall pray that the Lord may keep you faithful and day by day sustain you and guide you in the solution of your every-day problems.

While there were many things that we were forced to leave undone because of the large area of the city of Cleveland, still we are thankful that the First Church is now completely redecorated, and we believe it is a real credit to the Lord's work.

During this time also, I was happy to have associated with me in the district Brother Benjamin Leach who gave unstintingly of his time and cooperation. Through his interest in the Willoughby Church we were able to set in motion a building program there which, under the Lord's blessing, should result in a fine church building in Willoughby within two years. I am happy that the Conference has now placed the Willoughby Church in the district now headed by Brother Leach in order that the building program might continue without interruption.

In leaving Cleveland, I would like to express sincere appreciation also for the efforts of Sister Bruder who has worked far beyond her strength in the interest of saving souls.

To every church and Sabbath

school officer, and to all who worked so faithfully on the church boards and committees, I should like also to extend my deepest thanks.

As we leave the Ohio Conference we do so only because we have felt the call of the Lord to take up a new line of work in the New Jersey Conference. We have greatly appreciated the full cooperation of Elder W. M. Robbins, the Conference President, and of the entire committee in our work in Ohio. As we leave, we earnestly request that you might continue to remember us in your prayers.

K. H. WOOD, JR.

NEW JERSEY

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Evangelism in Jersey City

THE great metropolis of Jersey City is now hearing for the second week the gospel of the three angels' messages as heralded in word and song by the Burrows-McComas Bible lectures. The beautiful auditorium of the Jersey City Woman's Club has been well-filled each of the first two Sunday evenings, the second showing about a 20-percent increase in non-Adventist attendance over the first—in spite of unseasonably hot weather.

Busses, store windows, handbills, and newspapers have declared with a loud cry that we are in town. Those who have come in response have been of the finest class of people, typically representative of the sophisticated metropolitan atmosphere.

The Lord's hand has been evidenced in the procuring of this one available hall which is so suitable for our purpose, located in a convenient and fine neighborhood. It was with some hesitancy that Elder Spencer Burrows and Brother Kenneth McComas united to enter this great Roman Catholic stronghold which has proved so gospel-resistant in the past. Already, however, God has rewarded faith with a good attendance.

Our hands have been strengthened by the assignment to our company of Elder James Terzo and Sister Meierhofer. In addition, two faithful pianists, Sister Terzo and Sister Abbott, assure us

of dependable accompaniment at each meeting.

Earnestly we solicit the prayers of our people everywhere that God will impart the necessary wisdom and tact necessary to bring the many honest souls in this difficult area into the ranks of the great advent movement.

S. W. BURROWS

North Jersey Federation Business Meeting and Picnic

ON August 31, 1947 the members of the North Jersey Dorcas Federation met for a business meeting and picnic at the beautiful wooded park of the South Mountain Reservation of West Orange. Besides the regular members we were very happy to have Elder W. B. Hill, our Conference President, and Elder K. H. Wood, our new Home Missionary Secretary, and their families with us.

Here in God's great out-of-doors our hearts were inspired as we sang and listened to the devotional period which was presented by Elder S. W. Burrows.

After the regular business was taken care of, Elder Hill gave us a few appropriate remarks and introduced Elder Wood. In Elder Wood's discourse he explained the necessity of Dorcas workers to present the truth which they believe and profess. From the "Testimonies" the thought was brought to us that it isn't what we profess that will be asked in the Judgment, but what we have done in the work of benevolence and in deeds of kindness. We can have no assurance of eternal life if we neglect those in need. We should be willing to put aside our own interests and not become weary of well doing even though it seems at times that our efforts have been in vain. Elder Wood also enlarged

upon the thought that Dorcas work cannot be confined to the ladies because they are not the only ones who should go about doing good.

After eating our picnic lunches, games were played by the various age groups. Thus a very profitable and enjoyable day was spent by the entire Dorcas group.

The reports of the societies show that the North Jersey Federation is growing and accomplishing much to help those in need. Besides attending to other phases and duties of the Dorcas Federation, they have sent 8,772 pieces of clothing and 38 quilts to the needy overseas during the first two quarters. The different societies have also worked their specified days at the New York warehouse. During the first two quarters of this year 748 individual packages, valued at \$3,057, were sent to Europe. We are glad also to state that 5,498 pieces of literature have been distributed in Dorcas work, thus helping to fulfill the commission that our Dorcas societies should be soul-winning agencies.

Pray for us that the Lord may bless us as we individually strive to do our best through the Dorcas societies to help alleviate the misery and want of the world.

FLORENCE FOWLER
Secretary, North Jersey Dorcas Federation

Farewell

THE four years of loving service through the ministry of Elder and Sister Stephen Paully have made a deep and lasting impression upon the church at Paterson. Their leadership was very fruitful and uplifting.

On Sunday, September 7, the church had an outing at its favorite pleasure ground, Goffe Brook Park, Hawthorne, in their honor. Near the close of the pleasant day our local elder, Brother George B. Suhrie, presented the Paullys with a purse contributed by the church members.

Sister Fannie Lowe read a poem which she had written for the occasion:

TO THE PAULLYS

Since the Paullys are soon to leave us,
We are all a wee bit grieved;
For we know that under their guidance
Rich blessings we've received.

But they too received a blessing
When the Lord sent a baby so fair;
A dear little daughter named Linda.
May she grow up heaven's joys to share!

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Four years go by so swiftly:
Having endeared themselves to each heart
Because of the inspiration
Their lives to each one did impart.

It is hard to part with those we love,
But the Lord leaves us not alone;
For He sends us another shepherd
To help guide us safely home.

For, as the Paullys from us must go,
The Ipes' come to do their part
In teaching the truth in this city of ours
And seeking the honest in heart.

So, as we shake hands with the Paullys,
Let us all wish them well,
That they may find joy in service
As they go forth Love's story to tell.

The sorrow attending their departure was mitigated somewhat by the knowledge that the Trenton, New Jersey Church and its friends will benefit from their leadership as we have.

H. E. WIDMER

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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"Workers' Forum"

A MOST heartening and encouraging meeting was held for the East Pennsylvania workers on Monday, September 15, as ministers, Bible instructors, and departmental secretaries gathered at the Reading Church to discuss problems of mutual interest which arise in their work. The meeting differed entirely from the conventional workers' meeting and became rather a "workers' forum" with open discussion of one great question, "The Problem of Preaching."

Elder Unruh, the President of the Conference, led the assembly with a challenging heart-searching sermon entitled, "The Power of Preaching." His message, striking squarely at the roots of our difficulty and present lethargy, inspired a lively discussion among the assembled workers. Two discussion groups took up the challenge laid down by the President that the answer to all our difficulties will be found in constant Spirit-filled preaching, and elaborated on it under the headings, "What to Preach to our Churches," and "What to Preach to the Public at This Time." Each panel was under the leadership of three ministers; Elders Ortner, Blandford, and Mitchell heading the first, and Elders Gibbs, Jensen, and Reed leading the second.

It was resolved that this inspiring interchange of ideas and problems should be continued on a

periodic basis, inviting in guest speakers on some important questions, and each worker bearing his own expense of travel and entertainment.

H. V. REED

Radio Work in Waynesboro District

THE program, "Your Bible Speaks," coming from Chambersburg (WCHA) Pennsylvania every Sunday at 10 A.M. is introduced by the theme song, "Give Me the Bible," beautifully sung by the King's Heralds Quartet.

Our program has an Adventist label on it, for the announcer begins, "Good morning, radio friends. Each Sunday morning at this same time the Waynesboro Seventh-day Adventist Church presents its pastor, B. K. Mills, in a program dedicated to the Book of books, the Holy Bible," etc. We have been gaining many friends and also many Bible school enrollees. I believe we gain much in letting people know who we are. Also, our program is self-supporting.

Read some of our recent letters:

A young mother: "I am a regular listener to your program on Sunday morning. I want you to know I enjoy them so much. They are the most interesting sermons I have ever heard. Would you kindly tell me who the quartet is? Are they members of your church? I have never heard any better." (She sent one dollar and requested enrollment in our free Bible course.)

A young husband: "I would like to know the location of the Seventh-day Adventist church in Waynesboro and also if there is one in Chambersburg—also the time of meeting. I would like to visit sometime in the near future." (This returned soldier is enrolled in our Bible course and has sent in \$32 thus far.)

A lady: "I listen each Sunday morning to your broadcast, and find much comfort in my soul after listening. I am sending \$10 for the broadcast, and may God bless you for making His word so clear and plain."

A young mother: "Please send me your free Bible course, as I am interested in learning more about the Bible. As each day goes by, it seems something happens to bring the thought of Jesus to me. I know I am not living as I should and want very much to

be saved and live my life for Jesus. I have a daughter who is nearly two years old. My aim is to be saved and teach her the way of God and His Holy Book. Please pray for me that I may find the straight and narrow path and walk in it as Jesus would want me to do. I have been saving tithe (\$30) for some time and I'm enclosing a sum to help continue your broadcast."

Our mailbox is full of such letters as these. We have been on this new radio station a year now and our enrollees have reached approximately the 500 mark. We are kept busy contacting these interested ones within our district and are helping them to see the importance of living out these truths in their lives so that they may be ready to meet the Lord when he comes.

B. K. MILLS

Elder Ruf Visits Bloomsburg District

THE visit of Elder A. F. Ruf, our Educational Superintendent, Sabbath, September 13, was greatly appreciated by every member of the three churches that make up the district, Bloomsburg, Danville, and Northumberland.

After a stirring message on Christian education, Elder Ruf appealed to the parents to "save the church by saving the children," and he urged all parents to take advantage of the opportunity to send their children to the district church school.

The parents responded and this year ten children are receiving a Christian education.

Miss Margaret Smith came to be our school teacher two years ago when the Ridgeville Union school was established. We are glad that she is with us again this year.

No doubt many are planning to move away from the larger cities in the very near future. One of the problems that must be cared for is the Christian education of our young people. The towns of Bloomsburg and Danville are small, and they are surrounded with beautiful farming country. Although the membership of the churches here is small, they have already established a school. We invite you to consider this rural section as you move out of the larger cities.

J. E. HOFFMAN

Pastor

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Make wills and legacies in favor of the Chesapeake Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

North American Youth's Congress

THE first North American Youth's Congress convened according to schedule September 3-7. This meeting was well-attended, some 10,000 regular delegates and friends being present throughout the five-day meeting. On Sabbath it seemed there was another 10,000 trying to get into the large convention hall which could care for only 10,000.

The Chesapeake Conference had 18 delegates and several visiting friends, bringing the attendance of Chesapeake to about 30 which was a good representation as compared to the attendance from other conferences of comparable distance from the place of meeting.

Emphasis was placed upon the importance of consecration and evangelism on the part of our youth in these momentous times. The delegation of youth present dedicated themselves anew to God and pledged themselves to faithfulness in sounding the third angel's message to North America and the world field.

To an observer of nearly 40 years of growth and development of our young people's work it is clear that (1) our youth are well organized to join the fathers in completing the task assigned to us in Matthew 24:14; (2) that they have the inspiration and courage to undertake anything the Lord commands; and (3) that they see the work assigned the Missionary Volunteers of the second advent movement as being primarily evangelistic.

We bespeak for the Missionary Volunteers of North America and the Chesapeake Conference a period of great accomplishment in the days just ahead. We believe the reports of our delegates will kindle enthusiasm and inspire to Christian service the rank and file of the youth in our conference. May each Missionary Volunteer in the Chesapeake Conference quickly find his place in the great closing work, keeping in mind the challenging words of the Spirit of prophecy, "With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly

trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world" ("Education," p. 271)!

C. V. LEACH

POTOMAC

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Richmond, Lynchburg, Roanoke, Tazewell, and Staunton where he showed our welfare film, "Inasmuch." We know that this mighty appeal in behalf of our suffering European believers will not go unheeded by our faithful church members in the homeland.

M. KATHRYN KAVANAUGH



Reports of Interest

"My wife and I are Jews but we are planning soon to accept Christ as our Saviour. We have been listening to your program and we want all the literature we can get that will teach us more about Jesus. Also we want to keep the true Sabbath and not Sunday as most Christians do. We hope you can enlighten us and help us in this matter."—*New York*

"I am enclosing my contribution for the month, and thank you kindly for the comforting letters. I feel I get a real blessing from the Thursday morning prayer hour. I thank God every day for the hour when, three years ago, I turned on my radio, and, by chance, heard The Voice of Prophecy for the first time. I was led to take the correspondence course and found what I had been searching for for years. Thanks again to you."—*Colorado*

OBITUARIES

LEIDECKER: Rose, was born in Switzerland September 30, 1873 and died at the Greenville Hospital, Jersey City, New Jersey August 24, 1947. In 1894 she was married to Joseph C. Leidecker, and to this union were born five children all of whom survive: Virginia, Joseph, Frederick, Mrs. Lydia Smith, and Mrs. Mae Myura. On October 16, 1909 she was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church and at the time of her death was a member of the Jersey City Number One Church. In addition to her children, she is survived by her husband; two brothers, Ulrich and William Frueh; and three sisters, Mrs. Selma Hoagland, Mrs. Marie Coriell, and Mrs. Frieda Robinson. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, and interment was in the Cloverleaf Park Cemetery, Woodbridge, New Jersey to await the call of the Life-giver.

S. W. Burrows

GUDAT: Augusta, was born in Germany on December 1, 1875, and died at the Jersey City Medical Center June 3, 1947. Sister Gudat had resided in Jersey City, New Jersey for the

past 58 years and was a member of the Jersey City Number One Church for about 25 years. Surviving are two brothers, William and Albert Gudat; a brother-in-law, D. Zarbounes; five nieces, and two nephews. Funeral services were conducted by the writer.

S. W. Burrows

ADVERTISEMENTS

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

FOR SALE: poultry farm. All modern for layers and broilers. Established egg route. Possession at once. 5½ acres on state road with modern living quarters, 5½ rooms. 13 miles from District line. Terms easy. Buy direct from owner, moving to Ohio. W. R. Campbell, Route 3, Rockville, Maryland. Pleasant 1182.

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ONE HOUSE TRAILER for rent. Sleeps two. No children allowed. Price \$25 a month. Near Ilda Seventh-day Adventist Church. Will be available November 1, 1947. Telephone Fairfax 177-W-11, or write A. A. Dodd, Route 2, Box 702, Fairfax, Va.

FOR SALE: new 7-room frame house (2 rooms, upstairs unfinished) all good grade materials; 11-block high full basement, cemented; forced air oil furnace; complete bath; 50-gal. electric water heater. Convenient to church, Academy, church school, and 2 stores; 1¼ mi. from Mt. Vernon. Also lots for sale, some with city water, gas and electricity. Write S. P. O. Box 13, Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Telephone 1245-Y.

WANTED: Seventh-day Adventist man with truck to cut mine props and cord wood on shares. Three-room, furnished house, rent free. Mrs. N. D. Crider, Route 2, Spout Spring, Virginia.

A boarding and nursing home in Pa. for the chronically ill, convalescents, aged, infirm. Physicians on call. Nurses in attendance 24 hrs. a day.

A beautiful place to rest, just outside the prosperous city of York, Pa. on Route 74. Rates are reasonable. Write for circular. Krout Convalescent Home, Mrs. R. S. Krout, R. D. 2, York, Pa.

WANTED: auto mechanic, married or single; church school near by; full Sabbath privileges. Write Engel's Garage, 3417 Peach St., Erie, Pa.

WILL ROOM AND BOARD boy between 3 and 6 years old. Nice Adventist home in suburbs. One child of my own. \$15 a week. Call WA 4655. Mrs. L. Schnopp, 5024 - 54th Place, Rogers Hgts., Hyattsville, Md.

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REFUGE PSALM RECORDS: price reduced. Psalm 46 as sung by Voice of Prophecy symphonic choir. Three 10-inch, double-faced phonograph records, \$2. Read "Great Controversy," p. 639. If desired, illustrated copies of Refuge Psalm and Shepherd Psalm with records, \$2.75. Order at once. J. S. Washburn, 61 E. Franklin St., Hagerstown, Md.

FOR SALE: 6-room house, two blocks from church school and academy. Garage and basement. J. Sivey, Route 1, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 13, 1947

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OHIO				ALLEGHENY				POTOMAC (Continued)			
NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEB'D	NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEB'D	NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEB'D
F. E. Thumwood, P.S.				L. R. Preston, P.S.				C. W. Spradling			
Marie Zimmerman	39	69.10	53.50	L. W. Brantley, Asst. P.S.				Laurel Kollmeyer	14	46.25	7.50
Lester L. Marx	31	200.00	200.00	M. Bellamy	41	137.10	57.30	Margaret Sublett	10		65.45
D. R. Jeffreys	8	30.90	30.90	R. Rikardocole	40	93.00	76.60	Harvey Hayes	10	71.20	27.70
Clark McClurg, Asst. P.S.				J. Reaves				Mrs. M. V. Doran			
J. H. Jackson	48	140.35	97.35	L. Best	33	625.00		E. W. Sherburne	5	16.40	16.40
C. Moxley	47	318.00	227.80	J. Russell	31	138.00		Mrs. Ruth Gruesbeck		7.50	7.50
Floyd Studer	45	151.70	99.80	C. Braxton	29	64.80	42.00				6.50
Harold Quick	40	217.35	205.40	L. Parker	20	75.95	3.00	Totals	724	3028.21	1439.87
Carl Watts	35	210.95	121.95	J. Cunningham	20	12.90	15.60	WEST VIRGINIA			
C. McCampbell	33	46.80	45.00	M. Watson	18	28.10	5.50	J. H. Creighton, P.S.			
William Schnoeblen	33			C. Cuthbert	17	7.95	7.95	Charles Booth	53	448.75	9.50
K. D. Collins	33	101.70	101.70	F. Williams	15	2.85	33.35	A. W. Sanders	51	193.52	106.20
Irvin Butcher	30	70.50	178.25	C. Cuthbert	20	10.00	10.00	T. R. Carlton	40	237.20	104.90
Nora Robbins	30	84.60	85.50	F. Williams	28	24.85	28.05	Jas. L. Long	40	247.80	99.80
Wm. Schnoeblen	25	111.10	103.10	J. Cunningham	20	22.20	12.90	Robert Wiant	38	23.25	12.50
A worker	20			J. R. Britt, Asst. P.S.				R. J. Herbert	35	171.00	115.80
Merle Landis	18		251.50	B. McCloud	38	42.20	42.20	Mrs. R. E. Dakin	33	131.40	122.80
Thelma Pangborn	15	5.25	5.25	M. Trotman	30	36.95	47.70	Chas. A. Booth	24	153.50	2.50
C. Norton	14	37.95	40.70	U. Bracy	30	3.00	27.70	J. D. Miller	20	105.00	105.00
C. Norton	9	27.45	13.65	J. Smith	27	46.65	34.25	Mildred Conner	15	17.50	17.50
Virgil Masters	6			M. Hernandez	24	15.00	15.00	L. Wurschum	8	15.15	6.40
S. J. Kistler	3		22.50	A. Thomas	23	54.35	18.75	O. S. Harrell	7	178.95	24.95
R. O. Schroeder, Asst. P.S.				J. Craig				Mrs. H. Myers			
Yvonne Wolfe	50	97.50	158.70	H. Handy	21	29.75	15.95	Dale Conner	6	9.10	19.35
E. M. Phillips	40		83.50	M. Miah	18	99.00	27.60	Mrs. A. C. Sheets	5		37.00
R. A. Wuttke	37	156.60	34.50	F. Richards	12	17.00	17.00	Chalmer Pifer	2		54.00
James A. Ford	34	76.80	76.80	L. Johnson	11	27.60	1.40	Totals	382	1939.62	838.20
L. F. Rowe	32	85.85	85.85	S. Williams, Jr.	7	4.85	4.85	WEST PENNSYLVANIA			
Mrs. M. S. Sana	21	48.90	81.30	S. Williams	5	5.37	5.37	Marvin H. Reeder, P.S.			
Janice Wolfe	15		150.00	S. Williams	4	5.80	5.80	Clifford A. Yarnell, Asst. P.S.			
Barbara Sauder	12	122.35	25.90	C. Craig	3	3.45	3.45	Harry Sparks	46	69.00	44.65
Ralph Haugsted	9	67.30	65.80	J. Riddick	223	430.61	430.61	James Summers	44	90.30	76.70
Barbara Sauder	4		98.45	L. Riddick	150	113.50	113.50	Raymond Miller	41		
George Sisson, Asst. P.S.				D. Price				G. J. Schuenger			
Kathryn Flory	45	156.00	72.00	S. Williams, Jr.	9	9.45	9.45	Mr. & Mrs. D. Reid	34	113.80	65.75
Dorothy Huber	45	144.00	72.00	S. Williams	4	5.82	5.82	Wilma Widmer	33	223.00	
Jack Circle	42	198.50	138.45	Oscar Dunn, Asst. P.S.				Matt Greenley	30	55.20	51.20
C. F. Circle	40	133.45	133.45	F. Jones	52	37.00	136.00	Arthur Page	27	193.10	193.10
S. E. Curry	38	139.75	111.35	L. Finch	45	202.00	49.50	Matt Greenley	25	105.75	54.90
Joe Spicer	37			M. Dunn	30	86.00	86.00	Arthur Page	24	126.20	126.20
Carroll Bandy	35	117.60	55.65	S. Slagle	30	51.50	13.00	John R. Cordeck	20	47.90	32.70
Erwin Ruth	34	87.75	70.20	G. Earle	8	61.25	22.25	George McKnight	14	.35	48.20
Lillian Keenan	26	85.15	41.55	W. Carter	30	60.00	60.00	George Buttermore	9	46.10	.35
F. Ogg	23	37.20	17.30	C. Evans	18	86.00	86.00	Pearl Keeler	1	.15	.15
Fred Goodman	21	66.00	49.20	E. Whidbee	24	65.00	65.00	Pearl Keeler	1	.45	.45
Wendell Poole	13		36.10	L. Finch	40	121.00	92.50	Students			
Fred Goodman	4		15.60	M. Battle	20	40.00	40.00	Avadene Jones	15		66.80
Mrs. Vincent, Asst. P.S.				Mr. & Mrs. Earle				B. Thomas			
Vera Buxton	31	69.10	69.10	B. Thomas	10	7.45	7.45	W. C. Scales, Asst. P.S.			
Mrs. N. Roberts	20	114.90	114.90	C. Morris				J. Stewart			
Mrs. Carl Gee	20	34.35	34.35	C. Morris	49	85.87	85.87	J. Stewart	43	41.30	41.30
Jean Rowe	15	44.10	247.00	J. Robinson	42	50.70	36.90	J. Robinson	42	50.70	36.90
Evelyn Keller	10	38.40		R. Frye	34	39.60	21.00	R. Frye	34	39.60	21.00
A worker	9	17.65	17.65	L. Stewart	30	157.70	24.60	L. Stewart	30	157.70	24.60
Roberta Foster	8			C. Brown	20	20.80	40.70	C. Brown	20	20.80	40.70
Herman Gill	8	2.80	2.80	E. Brooks	12	20.15	20.15	E. Brooks	12	20.15	20.15
Evelyn Keller	6	45.20	35.40	A. Humphreys	9	6.50	6.50	A. Humphreys	9	6.50	6.50
Dorothy Byrkit	5	20.10	20.10	C. Brown	21	21.00	36.60	C. Brown	21	21.00	36.60
Totals	1347	4029.00	4098.80	Totals	1681	3907.92	2345.22	Totals	260	609.30	1074.25
EAST PENNSYLVANIA				POTOMAC				SUNSET CALENDAR			
J. A. Jarry, P.S.				C. H. Smith, P.S.				Baltimore, Md.			
L. H. Wagner, Asst. P.S.				E. L. Draper, Asst. P.S.				Cleveland, Ohio			
R. E. Waldron, Asst. P.S.				M. V. Doran, Asst. P.S.				Columbus, Ohio			
James Soper	42	86.50	67.00	Lynne Sudduth, Asst. P.S.				Cumberland, Md.			
Arthur Brandt	41	210.70	129.70	Mr. & Mrs. Vasko	46	246.40	237.15	Parkersburg, W. Va.			
Colporteur B	40	117.50	82.50	M. A. Oliff	43	133.25	114.75	Philadelphia, Pa.			
Dee Trautman	40	156.70		Laurel Kollmeyer	41	72.00	39.45	Pittsburgh, Pa.			
O. C. Weller	36	74.95	74.95	Donald L. Rima	40	494.75	20.25	Richmond, Va.			
M. D. Hollenbaugh	35	112.20	41.70	W. Atlee Wood	25	228.95		Toledo, Ohio			
Frances Colyer	33	138.10	94.80	Walter Y. Young	37	108.50	102.75	Trenton, N. J.			
Edgar Hollinger	33	126.10	71.85	Margaret Hogan	36	143.60	64.60	Washington, D. C.			
Emanuel Pitrone	31	64.75	203.00	Mrs. P. M. Jenkins	36	106.75	106.75	NOTE: Time given is E.S.T.			
Edward Hart	30	7.90	12.25	Joseph Reams	35	216.20	70.15				
Anna Dietrich	25	119.90	34.50	A. H. Robertson	33	101.00	72.75				
Charles Koch	19	23.90	23.90	Lynne Sudduth	28	31.75	182.10				
Viola Siegel	17	67.70	67.70	Sallie Buntin	29	209.55	.37				
Mrs. Habig	10	70.00	87.00	J. R. Clark	27	117.50					
George Young	9		11.50	Raymond Clark	26	54.50					
Charles Freeman	8	12.75	12.75	H. C. Wilcox	24	30.00	17.50				
Mrs. L. Frey	7	11.25	11.25	Courtney Smith	24	54.40	67.50				
Mrs. Rose Morrell	6	24.75	24.75	J. R. Clark	23	122.75					
Mrs. J. R. Kinckiner	6	3.00	.30	J. E. Gould	20	44.55	17.25				
Mrs. M. Brobst	5	13.50	13.50	Mrs. M. J. Leis	19	3.01					
Charles Freeman	5		5.25	A. H. Robertson	19	36.15	113.20				
Mrs. Rose Ragno	4		38.00	Lynne Sudduth	19	74.95	43.05				
Mrs. E. M. Hamm		71.25	43.75	W. T. Smith	18	151.90	2.00				
F. E. Underhill		8.70	8.70	Mayme Taylor	16	30.50	35.80				
Totals	482	1522.10	1160.60	Totals	15	66.95	1.45				

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A Message from India

THE following letter just received from Elder R. L. Kimble, superintendent of the Northwest India Union, will be read with the deepest interest by the membership of the churches throughout the Potomac Conference:

"Since returning to India from furlough in the States, I have often thought of the work that you are doing in the Potomac Conference. It was my privilege, through your kindness, to observe one of Elder Boothby's evangelistic efforts conducted in the city of Lynchburg. It was a real inspiration to be associated with Elder Boothby and his co-workers. Every sermon he preached, the message was presented in a strong way to the people of Lynchburg, and I was happy to hear that a good number were baptized as a result of the evangelistic meetings.

"In talking with you in your office, it seemed to me that your whole program for the conference was one of missionary advance. You were planning to enter the dark counties of Virginia, and I am sure, since then, that many of them have been entered and churches raised up. I am receiving the Columbia Union VISITOR which you have been sending to me, and as I read it, I am convicted that the Lord is doing a great work.

"It is now a little over two years since returning to India. I am located in the north of this densely populated land. We have a large field with a population in our union of 140,000,000, as large as the whole population of the United States. Our headquarters is in New Delhi, a city quite centrally located for the Union field. In this union, there are 14 air fields. One of the largest of these is Karachi which is known as the air gateway to India. The trans-Atlantic planes from England and Europe, and Pan-American and T.W.A. planes arrive at this airport daily. It was through this port that Elders Ochs and Stevens came to India. Even though we are thousands of miles from

America, by traveling on one of these planes, we can arrive in Washington in about two and one-half days.

"Rapid changes are coming to India these days. India is being divided into two governments. The one in the north will be known as Pakistan under the rule of the Mohammedans. The other will be Hindustan which takes in central and southern India, and will be ruled by the Hindus. The official announcement of India's independence is to be made August 15. Great preparations are being made for celebrations.

"Even though there has been trial and perplexity in this land, it has not hindered our work except in a few places. But instead, the work is speeding up everywhere throughout the Union, and calls are coming for workers to give the message. Our evangelists are holding efforts and hundreds are attending. At one place, we have a company of 86, but no worker to place there. The people are carrying on, doing most of the work themselves. It is this way in many places.

"Last year we baptized more than in any single year in the history of our work in this Union. This year, we will exceed last year's record by about 50, making this our greatest soul-winning year. We are receiving calls from unentered countries that border our union field. From Kashmir, we are invited to open medical and school work. Those inviting us to open up our medical and school work will build the hospital, give us land and help in a financial way to operate the hospital. We are now working on visas for a trip into Afghanistan. If we are able to make this trip, it will be the first time that missionaries have been allowed to enter there.

"India is awakening. It seems to us that one very definite change is that affecting the spiritual and religious life of the people. Caste is breaking. There is more freedom than ever before. This is a time when we should work zealously to carry the message to the people about us.

"We have 6 mission fields in the Union, 4 boarding schools, including Vincent Hill College, our Union training school, and many village schools in the local fields. We plan to open one or two more boarding schools in the new year. We have medical work in the Punjab and Chuharkana, and

are soon to begin building a hospital in that place.

"We are pressing on in the work, and believe much will be accomplished in India during the next few years. The world is getting ready for the soon-coming Saviour. Signs are fulfilling on every hand, beckoning us to look up for our redemption is drawing near. The Lord has been good to us and all our workers and members are safe—not one missing during all the trouble and disturbances that we have had. We move about and do our work, knowing the Lord will care for and protect us.

"May the Lord bless you in your work, and may those dark counties in your field soon receive light. We ask an interest in your prayers for the work in this land and this great Northwest Union field with its millions yet unwarned."

Let us pray daily for the work in the Northwest India Union and all other mission fields, keeping in mind the words of our Saviour, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already to harvest."

H. J. DETWILER

News Notes

Effort at Castle Craig. Our readers will enjoy reading the following excellent report received from Elder L. R. Mansell concerning his meetings at Castle Craig:

"We are having one of the finest demonstrations of interest in the meetings at Castle Craig that I have seen. The attendance at the opening meeting was more than 100, and meetings have been held every night in the week with a steady increase in attendance with each night larger than the night before. . . . The attendance is not spotted for many have not missed a night; others, only one. . . . Some of the charter members of the Castle Craig Presbyterian Church where we meet have not missed a night, and have expressed themselves as planning to attend our new church at Yellow Branch. . . .

God has marvelously opened hearts to this message, and our own members seem to be charged with new zeal for the work."

"*Inasmuch*" Film. Elder J. C. Holland of the Columbia Union Home Missionary Department recently visited the churches at

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