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## Divinely Dedicated Literature

A FEW days after a certain young man met the first Seventh-day Adventist he ever knew, he began receiving the *Signs of the Times* through the mail which was sent to him by the brother whom he had just met. His interest in the third angel's message was so intensified by reading the evangelistic messages on timely topics of current interest that he laid aside everything else and spent all of his time reading the *Signs* and studying the great truths of the Bible pertaining to the second coming of Christ.

He was led to see the Sabbath truth in all of its importance, along with the other commandments, which all must keep in order to be ready to meet Jesus when He comes. His heart was stirred. He planned to be ready for Christ's coming.

Although the price seemed almost too great to pay at first, the messages in the *Signs* helped him to make his decision to forsake all the world, deny himself, and follow Christ by taking his stand for the Sabbath and uniting with the remnant people of God. This brother says he will never cease to thank that faithful lay member for his unselfish interest in his soul, and for sending him a subscription to the *Signs of the Times*. Today this brother is a minister in the cause of God.

There are literally thousands of people today scattered in every city, town, and village, and in rural sections who are seeking for light and hope. The following words from "*The Great Controversy*," page 390, give us a picture of the whereabouts of God's people today, and it is your privilege and mine to be used of the Lord to lead them to see the special truths for this time which they have not seen nor rejected.

"Notwithstanding the spiritual darkness and alienation from God that exist in the churches which

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constitute Babylon, the great body of Christ's true followers are still to be found in their communion. There are many of these who have never seen the special truths for this time. Not a few are dissatisfied with their present condition, and are longing for clearer light."

God is ready to use every one of His children in sending a message to call them out of Babylon. "Who-soever will" may have a part (Revelation 22:17).

One of the most important ways the Lord has chosen to give His message is through the *Signs of the Times* which has been divinely dedicated for the great purpose of giving the message of Christ's soon coming. In 1848 the Lord gave this message concerning our publishing work: "I have a message for you.

You must begin to plan a little paper and send it out to the people. Let it be small at first, but as the people read they will send you means with which to print and it will be a success from the first. From this small beginning it was shown to me to be like streams of light that went clear around the world" ("*Life Sketches*," p. 125).

In 1874, 26 years later, a definite message concerning the *Signs* was given. It read: "I saw that there would be a paper published upon the Pacific Coast" (*Id.*, p. 210). And seven years later in 1881 the servant of the Lord designated it as a pioneer sheet and placed it in importance with the *Review and Herald*. "With slight variations this paper has been increasing in interest and moral worth as a pioneer sheet since its establishment" ("*Testimonies*," Vol. IV, p. 598).

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## S O S From Czechoslovakia

By J. C. HOLLAND

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THE Sabbath School Department of the General Conference just received the following radiogram from Elder Beach, Vice-president of the General Conference for the Southern European Division.

PRESENT SITUATION CZECHOSLOVAKIA AFFORDS DENOMINATION WHAT MAY BE LAST OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING FACILITIES THAT COUNTRY BEFORE CURTAIN FALLS FOLLOWING WHICH CONFIDENT OUR BRETHREN WILL CARRY ON FAITHFULLY STOP KINDLY ASK OUR SABBATH SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE BIGGEST OVERFLOW EVER TO THAT END

BEACH

We have all been reading the newspapers and magazines about

the political moves in Czechoslovakia, and I am sure it is clear to everyone that what we do for that territory we must do quickly.

The Thirteenth Sabbath overflow for this quarter is going to Czechoslovakia to provide a school for our young people. The need is great and the young people of that field are eager for a college.

Surely everyone will want to plan to make this Thirteenth Sabbath offering a large one. It may be our last opportunity to give to this field, but the brethren tell us that if we can once get the money into the field and our people can establish a school, they can carry on even though they may be cut off from the outside world.

Let us do our best and enter into this great providential opportunity given us by the Lord.

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In spite of what may seem to be a high price, the messenger of the Lord also says that the *Review and Herald* and the *Signs of the Times* are cheap papers at the full price. Therefore, when the opportunity is given to us to have the *Signs* in our own homes and also extra copies to use in missionary work, we should esteem it a privilege, a joy, and a delight to place it in as many homes as possible. For three and one-half cents a week, or \$1.75 a year, it can be sent direct from the publishers to the home, regardless of distance.

Surely every Seventh-day Adventist will accept the privilege of working with Christ by sending as many subscriptions as possible while the opportunity is still ours. Let each one of us, before the campaign closes, pray earnestly that the Lord will give us courage to be willing to sacrifice that our friends, neighbors, and many others may be led to see the truth of God for this time.

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## POTOMAC

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## Alexandria Church Dedicated

THE Alexandria Seventh-day Adventist Church at Commonwealth Avenue and Oak Street was dedicated Sabbath, February 7. Elder H. J. Detwiler, our Conference President, gave a stirring message on present world conditions at the 11:00 o'clock Sabbath morning service. Elder D. A. Ochs, President of the Columbia Union Conference, delivered the dedicatory sermon Sabbath afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Elders R. L. Boothby, E. L. Hanson, and J. C. Dean,



Alexandria, Va. Church

from the Greater Washington Area, also participated in the dedicatory service.

Brother J. L. Price, who has served as local elder of the church for a period of 22 years, and who contributed much toward its development, presented the following interesting facts connected with its history:

The church building was erected in 1932, but its organization dates back to the turn of the century. The first Alexandria Seventh-day Adventist church, numbering seven adult members, was organized October 20, 1899 by Elders Babcock and Sanford. In the following year three additional members were added, increasing the membership of the church to ten. During this two-year period \$11.65 was paid in tithe, and a total of \$3.17 for missions, which included all the Sabbath school offerings. By 1911, the membership increased to 22, and the church and Sabbath school services were held in the home of Brother Lander, the church elder.

Later the church was disbanded as most of the members united with the Arlington, Va. and Washington Churches. Then the Conference sent Elder and Sister Gibson to reorganize the church. Sixteen members were added to the church as a result of their efforts, and services were conducted in the Odd Fellows' Hall at 214 North Columbus Street. Later, services were held in Sister Roat's home which proved to be an outstanding blessing. In 1922, Elder and Sister B. E. Connerly, now deceased, were sent to take charge of the Alexandria Church. The Odd Fellows' Hall was rented for a few months until the Confederate Veterans' Hall, at 806 Prince Street, was available.

In the late fall of 1922 Brother and Sister R. R. Sollenberger and Brother and Sister J. L. Price were transferred from the Takoma Park Church to the Alexandria Church in response to the urgent and persistent request of Brother Connerly. The services of each member of the church were utilized in building up its interests.

In 1923 Brother James Rowe was elected elder. At this time, as a result of an effort held on King Street by Elder U. D. Pickard, the membership of the church was increased to 26. In 1924 Brother J. L. Price was elected local elder; and Elder F. A. Harter, with a group of workers,

pitched a tent in Aurora Hills, Virginia Highlands area. As a result two more were added to the church, bringing the total membership up to 28.

In 1927 Elder and Sister Connerly were transferred to the Winchester area, and the leadership of the church was delegated to Brother J. L. Price. The work went on; Bible studies were given, and members were added to the church from time to time. In October, 1930 Elder F. D. Nichol, with a group of co-workers, opened an evangelistic campaign in the Elks' Hall. Twenty persons were added to the church as a result of this meeting.

Recognizing the need of a church home in which to worship, a building program was launched. In September, 1931 a lot was purchased and construction work on the church began in the fall, and was completed in July, 1932 when the first service was conducted in the new church. On August 28, 1932 Brother J. L. Price held twenty successive Sunday night meetings in the new church, covering the principal points of our faith. Twelve persons united with the church as a result of this effort. During the summer of 1936 Brother Herlinger held a series of meetings in a tent on Mount Vernon Avenue and Monroe Street. Eight accepted the message as a result of this effort.

In the summer of 1941 Elder J. G. Cormack, assisted by Brother Wilson, held a series of meetings in the old Odd Fellows' Hall. As a result of this meeting, six more precious souls united with the church.

Under the faithful leadership of Brother J. L. Price, the church membership continued to increase.

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In November, 1943 the Conference requested the writer to act as pastor of the Alexandria Church, and

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### News Notes

SABBATH was Youth Church Day at the Trinity Temple in Newark, N. J. Brother Alfred Winston, junior church elder, led with sincerity and effectiveness. Newark is blessed with a fine, talented group of teen-agers who show ability and promise. Mrs. Moore Campbell keeps the young people's program alive and moving.

Sabbath representatives from Montclair, Jersey City, and Englewood were present to augment the young people's hour; and Brother Winston states that plans are in the making for a New Jersey federation of missionary societies.

Progressive class work plays an important part in their general activities and we are looking forward to a representative investiture service.

Toledo, Ohio has a fine group of Friends ready to be invested, and other groups are busily at work, qualifying. Mrs. Hester Cantrell is supervising the progressive work at Toledo. Her husband, Pastor Cantrell, and the youth are taking a responsible part in the "Share Your Faith in '48" movement.

The Allegheny Conference has just been donated custom-made Venetian blinds for the out-of-stock size windows on the front of the Conference building by the Boy's store in Pottstown, Pa., through the alertness of our Treasurer, Elder F. L. Bland, who made the approach, thus saving more than \$60 of your money.

Let us continually remember our officials who are carrying grave responsibilities and doing a valiant work humbly for God.

All Missionary Volunteer societies in the Allegheny Conference are redoubling their efforts in reporting. We are expecting each Missionary Volunteer group to have reports for January, February, and March in before the deadline, April 6.

A. V. PINKNEY

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## CHESAPEAKE

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### "Signs" Wins Souls

"I AM so happy that God is using me to help carry His blessed message to others. Sometimes I just can't believe He is using me to fish for souls." Thus wrote Sister Fordney, of the Clifton Park Church in Baltimore, as she told how the Lord has been using her to give Bible readings and to win souls.

After last year's Ingathering campaign, the Clifton Park Church sent out several *Signs of the Times* subscriptions to interested people found during the Ingathering campaign. Two *Signs* readers became very much interested in the truth. Mrs. Fordney studied with both of them. One lady has already been baptized, and her husband and two children are planning to be baptized also, at camp meeting time.

Sister Fordney is now conducting six Bible studies a week, and is coaching another lady, whom she won to the truth last year, to give Bible studies, too. This is a partial result of Miss Mary Walsh's Bible training class in Baltimore two winters ago, and the follow-up Bible training class conducted by Elder A. B. Butler in the local church.

Have you sent out your allotment of *Signs* subscriptions yet? There still is time, but do not put it off any longer. The special price of \$1.75 for single subscriptions and \$1.50 for clubs of five or more to one address is good until May 31. By sending the *Signs* to Ingathering contacts, relatives, friends, business and professional men, your milkman and grocer, local ministers, and others, you may also win at least one soul this year through this agency alone. DO IT NOW!

We are following up the *Signs* campaign from the Conference office by sending a business reply card to every person in the Chesapeake Conference receiving the *Signs*. Church members, of course, are excepted. An offer is made to each one to enroll in our free Bible correspondence course.

H. E. VOORHEES

### Have You Made Your Will?

*Is it advisable to make a will?*

"Many are not exercised upon the subject of making their wills while they are in apparent health. But this precaution should be taken by our brethren. . . . They should arrange their property in such a manner that they may leave it at any time."—*"Testimonies,"* Vol. IV, p. 482.

*Does making a will hasten a person's death?*

"Death will not come one day sooner, brethren, because you have made your will."—*Ibid.*, p. 482.

*Whose claims should have first consideration?*

"In disposing of your property by will to your relatives, be sure that you do not forget God's cause. You are His agents, holding His property; and His claims should have your first consideration."—*Ibid.*, p. 482.

*What does the cause of God deserve?*

"Their best friend is Jesus. He did not withhold His own life from them, but for their sakes became poor, that through His poverty they might be made rich. He deserves the whole heart, the property, all that they have and are. But many professed Christians put off the claims of Jesus in life, and insult Him by giving Him a mere pittance at death."—*Ibid.*, p. 481.

*How may a man become the executor of his own will?*

"If you want your means to go to the cause, appropriate it, or all that you do not really need for a support, while you live. A few of the brethren are doing this, and enjoying the pleasure of being their own executors."—*Id.*, Vol. V, p. 155.

If you have confidence in the ultimate triumph of the kingdom of God, if you believe that God's work on earth is best represented by Seventh-day Adventists, and if you wish to have a real share in the great task of carrying the gospel to all the world, I recommend that you will a substantial portion of your property to the cause of God.

If the Lord is impressing you to invest your means in the work of the Lord, write to the Chesapeake Conference, Catonsville, Md., for further information. The Conference President or Secretary-Treasurer will be glad to call on you, should you so desire.

CLIFTON L. TAYLOR

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## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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### Conference Workers' Council

THE tokens of the day of God's power were joyfully hailed as the workers of the East Pennsylvania Conference experienced the first rays of the power of His Spirit during the recent four-day workers' meeting held at the Philadelphia Temple Church.

Spurred by the thought of the magnitude of the yet unfinished work in these densely populated areas, and the dreadful lateness of the hour, and humbled by the inefficiency of our former efforts adequately to win souls, these workers were led to a heart-searching experience which all believe lies at the very root of effective powerful ministry.

In the minds of many, the way for the remarkable manifestation of the Holy Spirit in this meeting was paved by the statement of the objectives of this workers' meeting. In the words of Elder Unruh, the Conference President, "For conference workers, this is a challenging hour. Never before in human history has a sick world needed so much the remedy the gospel of Christ so freely offers. And we who have assembled here are, by divine appointment, the dispensers of that remedy.

"It matters not in what branch of the service we find ourselves; these times have come to test the labors of every worker. Conference programs, plans, and objectives; the method and content of our preaching; the channeling of our departmental activities; the unnumbered activities of the local church—these must all now be matched against the desperate needs of a struggling humanity.

"If what we are now doing meets effectively the needs of spiritually hungry hearts, then let praise be on our lips. If not, then may God give us the courage to make whatever changes this urgent hour demands in order that the appeal of God's love and the full power of His grace may be liberated and made available, through us, to those whose longing eyes are uplifted to Him in mute appeal.

"These days of study must result in the formulation of a properly

integrated program of evangelistic activity for the year 1948, the carrying out of which should result in the greatest increase in the membership of our churches ever witnessed in the East Pennsylvania Conference."

In the opening meeting the deep movings of the Holy Spirit could be felt as worker after worker arose to bear testimony to the heartfelt longing for that basic need which alone qualifies a minister for success. Each seemed to feel that the workers' spirit, illustrated by the example of Moses when he prayed God either to save Israel or blot him out, is indeed the touchstone of soul-winning success. For this spirit of love, mercy, godliness, and faith each one set himself to pray, and many determined to make the ministry not a profession but indeed a mode of life.

The long and excellently planned agenda was scanned and dealt with, but took a decidedly secondary place in this individual and collective, all-engrossing search for a vital connection with the source of all power. On the second day of this long-to-be-remembered occasion the first showers of our little Pentecost began to fall.

Under the leadership of Elder R. A. Anderson, every worker was led into some of the great depths of self-renunciation, and purity necessary for receiving the floods of Pentecostal power. In answer to these searching calls to holiness the worker group with one accord gathered around the altar of self-sacrifice for prayer and as the tears flowed freely God poured a mighty blessing on the assembled believers. It was indeed a holy and solemn place yet it was heart-rejoicing to feel something of the power and love which the first apostles must have experienced in the upper room. Confessions were freely made between brother and brother and all felt the deep movings of a new day dawning in their hearts.

The remaining time of the meeting, spent largely in examining the methods of our brethren in foreign lands where God's Spirit has been largely received, and in considering better methods and ways for being largely used by the same Spirit in the home field, was helpful to a marvelous degree. The spirits of the workers were lifted, healing was granted in answer to prayer, and all were built up for the finishing of the work of the Lord.

Much valuable help was received from visiting brethren from the Union and General Conferences. Elders Eckenroth, Lucas, Mathews, Holland, Hershberger, Ochs, Anderson, and Kent contributed largely to the plans laid for attaining the objective set in the Conference: 5,000 members at the earliest possible moment. The devotional and inspirational material presented by our Union President, Elder Ochs, on the topic, "After Pentecost," did much to crystallize the thinking of workers not only with regard to work to be done, and the methods to be employed, but also as to how the sacred nearness to God, gained at the meeting, might be preserved.

The entertainment committee of the West Philadelphia Church furnished a most delightful fellowship dinner at the Philadelphia Academy for the workers on the evening preceding the close of the meetings.

Surely a great leavening influence for good will go out through the churches of the East Pennsylvania Conference as a result of this retreat with God. As the ministers and workers go back to the field they will carry with them a great influence which it is hoped will soon grip all our dear people everywhere and lighten the earth with the glory of the Lord.

H. V. REED

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### Czechoslovakia's Need— Our Answer

EVERY Sabbath during the first quarter we have heard something in Sabbath school of the great need that exists in this part of the southern European field. Their cry is for a school for their young people. We believe this need will not go unheeded by our people. A large overflow on the Thirteenth Sabbath will be our answer, I am sure.

The time will come when we can send neither money nor men into these fields. At such a time the responsibility of finishing God's work rests upon the youth of the land. We can help them now to get a training school where the young people can get a preparation for God's work. We know that you will plan definitely to do your part on this coming Thirteenth Sabbath.

A. F. RUF

Conference Sabbath School  
Secretary

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### Prediction Series for Missionary Work

SOME rather unusual experiences have come in the use of the Prediction leaflets. We want to share this one with you. Recently we received a request from an instructor of religion in a high school in the Pittsburgh area, asking for a sufficient supply of the set to give each member of the class. We were glad for the privilege of giving this ray of light to this group of youth.

Ingathering has already begun in some districts and the need of supplementary literature can be filled very well and economically by using various numbers of the Prediction series. Orders will be filled as received while the present stock lasts. Prices are as follows:

10 sets (120 tracts)	\$ 1.00
25 sets (300 tracts)	2.50
100 sets (1200 tracts)	10.00
200 sets (2400 tracts)	20.00

*Present Truth* is no longer available in one-color. All issues are now in two colors and the price in bulk for the 1948 issues is as follows:

100 copies	\$ 2.50
500 copies	10.00
1000 copies	16.00

Use the printed page to arouse the masses to the lateness of the hour. Soon Jesus will come to take the faithful home. Will you go home with Him or wait on this earth for the second resurrection? Let us work while we wait, and prepare many others to be ready for the great feast.

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### Many Voices—and a Voice

RECENTLY, more than ever before, the newspapers and magazines have been filled with "voices" of writers seeking to mold the thinking of our citizenry. We as a part of the remnant church are prone to be influenced by these "voices" unless we are securely founded in the Word.

It is not sufficient to have our names on the church books, nor to attend church every Sabbath, or even to pay tithe and give offer-

ings. Our study of God's Word should lead us to discover the secret of the victorious Christian life. May I share with you this secret? Perhaps you have guessed it already. Yes, we should listen to that "still small voice" saying, as He did to Isaiah of old, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" If our iniquity is taken away and our sin purged, as it was with this prophet of God, then we are ready to answer, "Here am I; send me."

There is that "Voice" calling the people of God in West Pennsylvania in this last great hour, "who will go for us?" Fellow believer, have you been separated from your sins, so that you are fit for the service of God? If so, then you are ready to go and tell others of the wonderful love of our Saviour. There is no better, no more efficient way of telling others of salvation than through the tracts, periodicals, and books that are available from the Book and Bible House. Respond to the call of the Lord today, and become a modern Isaiah for God.

Should you like a complete catalog of publications, it is yours for the asking. Let us help you in scattering the pages of love and truth.

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### Highlights From Colporteur "Mail Bag"

OHIO is pressing on in the wonderful seed-sowing work preparatory to the soon coming of the Lord of the harvest. We thank Him for His unmerited favor and love for His faithful soul winners. The gain in sales for February means more souls and encouragement toward faithfulness on the part of our colporteur family each day.

An interesting experience comes to us from Brother and Sister Claude H. Diehl of Toledo. They write as follows:

"A word in regard to the contact which you asked me to make recently with a Mrs. Tillie who wrote inquiring about *Practical*

*Guide to Health.*" I found her to be a business lady, owner of a hotel here in Toledo, and a very unusual person. Her comment on the *'Practical Guide to Health'* was an inspiration.

"She began by telling how she obtained the book. She had taken her husband to Arizona for his health. While she was there, some one sold her the book. It is practically worn out from use. She mentioned that she has practically lived by this book and is completely 'sold' on what it advocates. She also would like to sell it.

"I introduced to her *'Modern Medical Counselor'* and *Life and Health with 'Desire of Ages.'* Her daughter was present at the time of my interview and before leaving she ordered this same set to be delivered a little later. She is desirous of presenting the *'Desire of Ages'* to her husband for his birthday, since he is a Sunday school superintendent.

"Pray that I may follow this interest up properly and that we may see these fine folk some day take their stand and convey the truth to others, for I believe Mrs. Tillie would certainly make a grand worker."

Brother Diehl further writes: "I would like also to report a little experience from my good wife's work. The other day while making her last collection on her sets of books she tried to sell a lady *'Bible Readings for the Home'* and a Bible. The lady did not take them, but my wife asked her if she knew of anyone who would be interested in a set like that. She said she believed her minister would like to have them.

"After calling on the minister, we found him very receptive and left the \$58.80 set with him, and she has had other contacts as a result of that first visit. We are fortunate, are we not, in having

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### Notice, Lima District

THERE will be a union meeting in the form of a one-day youth's congress in the Lima Church, on the corner of West Spring and South Pierce Streets, on Sabbath, March 20, beginning at 9:30 A.M.

The service will be under the direction of Elder H. R. Nelson, Conference Missionary Volunteer Secretary. It is urged that all the youth in the Lima district be present for this special occasion.

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wives who will work side by side with us in this wonderful work."

Our good Brother J. W. Malmade reports that the Lord is leading the way in his part of the vineyard, for he says:

"I was greeted at the door by an elderly lady recently. She allowed me to enter after some persuasion. Due to her cold reception and attitude, I thought it best to use a little casual conversation first. It did look hopeless, for I learned she had only one eye and read very little.

"I realized my responsibility and began my canvass, but the response was so poor I did not even mention the price. However, I did mention that she could have a subscription to *Life and Health*.

"The response was even worse now. Then I heard the still, small voice say, 'Now I will show you something.' I replied silently, 'All right, Lord, I will follow; you lead the way.' Then I received definite orders to bring out the work and go forward.

"I admit I did not see any use in going further, but followed the Spirit of the Lord and gave Him a chance to show me what He would do. Toward the close of the canvass the lady said that probably she could not afford it, but when I told her the full price, she said, 'I guess I can handle that all right.' So both the *'Modern Medical Counselor'* and *'Desire of Ages'* and a subscription to *Life and Health* were placed in her home. Truly this is the Lord's work, but we need many more laborers."

We are very grateful for the wonderful work being done by one of our new members, Mrs. N. Roberts, and pass on a few lines from her. She says in part:

"In every direction there are hungry people reaching out for the truth. Every night in the week except Sunday night, and twice on Saturday and again twice on Sunday afternoon, my little projector is busy giving this wonderful message to neighbors who sit in darkness. The only thing that is out of the ordinary is the lack of interest in our own ranks.

"I heard one of our ministers give a little talk in North Hollywood that impressed me greatly. He said, 'We are not waiting for Christ to return to earth. Christ is waiting for us to wake up and finish the work.' The enemy works over-time seven days a week.

"What is the trouble with Adventists? Why not learn a lesson

from the industrious enemy? When I joined the church two years ago, I looked around with awe and astonishment to think that a people with a message like ours could sit with seeming indifference while the people around us rush on to eternity without hope. May God help us to realize, 'Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward' (Deuteronomy 2:3).

May the Lord give each of His dear people a vision of the needy harvest field, that we may all help hasten the glorious appearing of our Lord.

F. E. THUMWOOD

*Publishing Department Secretary,  
Ohio Conference*

## POTOMAC

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with the assistance of Brother J. L. Price the work has steadily advanced.

In 1947 the church contributed \$14,546.80 in tithes and offerings to missions, having raised \$2,073.13 in Sabbath school Investment funds alone. The present membership of the church is 122, and a good number of interested people are now taking Bible studies.

H. M. DUKES

## OBITUARIES

**WALTERS:** Xema Cordelle Houser, was born April 1, 1875 at Lancaster, Ohio and died January 26, 1948. In 1898 she was married to Willard Bruce Walters, who was employed by the Pacific Press Publishing Association in New York City, and there she served as bookkeeper for the Religious Liberty Association. Two sons were born in New York, Willard Beecher Walters and James Arthur Walters. In 1903 her husband was called to Washington, D. C. to unite with the Review and Herald Publishing Association in its early days. In 1911 they moved to Trenton, N. J. where her husband was to act as Secretary and Treasurer of the New Jersey Conference and Book and Bible House, and it was at this time that she and the two sons were baptized by Elder A. R. Sanborn. Since then she had maintained her Christian experience though a sufferer from illness much of the time. In 1913 the family returned to Washington, D. C.

**ABBOTT:** Thomas W., lifetime resident of Page Co., Va., was born November 4, 1869 and died January 28, 1948. He was the son of Daniel and Elizabeth Perry Abbott. In November, 1911 he was married to Minnie Kindall, and to this union four children were born: William Abbott, Walter Abbott, Ruby Abbott Brox, and Elmo Abbott, all of whom survive. He will be greatly missed by his loved ones and a host of friends. He sleeps in Jesus, waiting for the coming of the Life-giver. C. M. Gruesbeck

**DEARTH:** Mrs. Lucinda K. died at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Schiff, near Preston, Md., February 4, 1948. She was born in Ohio, the daughter of the late Austin and Margaret Bridgmen Shelton. Her husband died about nine years ago. She was an active member of the Harrington, Del. Seventh-day Advent-

ist Church. The service was conducted in the Harrington Church by the writer and interment was in the Wesley Cemetery, Burrsville, Md. She is survived by five daughters, Mrs. George Wyatt, Mrs. Raymond Robinson, Mrs. William Schiff, Mrs. Willie Jennings, and Mrs. Harry Jennings; four sons, James E., Lewis Edward, John F., and Sherman Arthur Dearth; 41 grandchildren, 76 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

David G. Fleagle

**CROUCH:** Mrs. Grace, of the Rock Hall, Md. Seventh-day Adventist Church, one of the charter members, died in Baltimore on February 3, at the age of 72 years. Left to mourn are one son, Wilmer Crouch; and two daughters, Mrs. Julia Bloom and Mrs. Bernice Patryn. The funeral service was conducted by the writer at the Williams Funeral Home in Chestertown, Md. and interment was in Wesley Methodist Chapel Cemetery, near Rock Hall, Md.

William F. Schmidt

## 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.

**WANTED:** reliable Christian woman capable of caring for small child and performing household duties in absence of mother who operates business. Pleasant suburban home, modern conveniences, near Alexandria, Va. Desire person who wishes to share home privileges. Write for details to Mrs. J. A. Bennett, Route 1, Alexandria, Va.

**FOR SALE:** 120 base accordion, or will trade for 48 or 96. C. C. Moxley, Route 2, Marengo, Ohio.

**RECORDS** for sale. Sermon, "What's Coming?" by Elder R. T. Hudson, with Vesper Choir. Write or telephone Mrs. Ella Hillyer, 935 Rivermont Drive, Pittsburgh 7, Pa. Hazel 2902.

**WANTED:** doctor's office assistant, single woman, age 20 to 30, laboratory technician, \$55 a week. Nurse, \$50 a week, registration not necessary. Untrained office girl, \$175 a month. Send applications to J. T. McDuffie, M.D., Box 37, Corning, Calif.

**WANTED:** on 400-acre farm, 2 S.D.A. adult families. Work on shares. Ideal place for poultry or turkeys. Plenty running water. Will share cutting and selling timber. Separate homes for each family. If interested, write Mrs. Nell Kisner, Trevilians, Va.

**DATES:** fresh California grown. Preferred by most people to those imported. Delivered by express direct from packer prepaid. Within Columbia Union—15 lbs., whole, \$5.35; 15 lbs., pitted, \$5.60. Send orders and remittance to C. H. Dye, Yucaipa, Calif.

**WANTED:** immediately, manager for 30-cow dairy farm; 160 acres, 11 miles from Frederick. Good tenant house, and usual allowances given. References. Write H. T. Morse, 28 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park 12, Md.

**WANTED:** man to work on farm near Fredericksburg, Va. 160 acres, with 6 rooms, bath house. Work on shares or salary basis. M. L. Carter, 630 18th St., So. Arlington, Va. Telephone Jackson 2086.

**WANTED:** young or middle-aged single man for dairy farm. Milking machines and tractors used. Church privileges. Mrs. Edward McWilliams, Mt. Bethel, Pa.

## SUNSET CALENDAR

	MAR. 19	MAR. 26
Baltimore, Md. ....	6:17	6:24
Cleveland, Ohio .....	6:37	6:44
Columbus, Ohio .....	6:43	6:50
Cumberland, Md. ....	6:26	6:33
Parkersburg, W. Va. ....	6:32	6:39
Philadelphia, Pa. ....	6:12	6:19
Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	6:31	6:38
Richmond, Va. ....	6:21	6:28
Toledo, Ohio .....	6:45	6:52
Trenton, N. J. ....	6:10	6:17
Washington, D. C. ....	6:19	6:26



# COLPORTEUR EVANGELISM

"This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time."—E. G. White.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1948

J. F. KENT, UNION PUBLISHING SECRETARY

## OHIO

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
F. E. Thumwood, P.S.			
George Sisson, Asst. P.S.	44		
Carl Bandy	40	164.00	175.00
S. E. Curry	40	184.70	139.90
Walter Smith	38	94.05	77.85
Erwin Ruth	37	121.25	18.05
Jack Circle	30	92.95	92.95
E. Brandstatter	27	179.35	179.35
Frs. Carl Bee	24		38.61
F. Goodman	18	93.10	17.80
Mrs. Sisson	20	100.80	100.80
Part-time workers	56	226.55	226.55
Mrs. B. Vincent, Asst. P.S.			
Herman Gill	40	179.86	181.06
C. McCampbell	39	89.05	73.55
Marie Zimmerman	36	109.90	109.90
Charles White	22	40.20	31.90
Robbins	10	8.90	8.90
William Schnoeblen	28	11.70	11.70
Part-time workers	10	54.95	54.95
R. O. Schroeder, Asst. P.S.			
James Alford	38	57.90	57.90
R. Wuttke	35	66.00	29.70
E. M. Phillips	30	189.00	37.80
J. H. Jackson	30	38.35	5.25
C. C. Moxley	28	62.75	62.75
Emma J. Dodge	26	79.60	23.70
Marie Miller	21	84.30	112.50
R. Kinney	20	25.60	25.60
W. J. Rich	18	31.80	31.80
Ralph Haugsted	15	23.45	23.45
Laura Wolfe	14	104.60	23.60
Part-time workers	10		14.40
A. Clark McClurg, Asst. P.S.			
Nelson Lightfoot	36	78.30	78.30
Harold Quick	35	195.00	181.80
Ted Hill	35	163.50	78.30
Mr. & Mrs. C. Diehl	56	201.00	201.00
A. Spicer	32	93.25	94.50
Mrs. N. Roberts	21	69.00	21.30
Thelma Pangborn	13	77.45	77.45
C. Beck	39	110.70	110.70
Evan Miller	40	85.70	85.70
Floyd Studer	39	147.20	68.60
Part-time workers	7	33.85	16.15
Totals	1152	3769.61	3001.07

## ALLEGHENY

L. R. Preston, P.S.			
Mrs. L. Finch	40	507.00	
H. Freeman	18	22.60	13.70
L. W. Brantley, Asst. P.S.			
R. Rikardocole	42	86.10	31.20
Mrs. M. Bellamy	38	158.40	47.70
Mrs. L. Best	33	109.20	71.10
Mrs. J. V. Russell	30	78.90	
F. Williams	30	48.60	7.90
Mrs. O. Wanamaker	22	133.50	13.50
F. Williams	16	8.90	9.60
Mrs. C. Pindell	15	66.65	13.15
Mrs. C. Cuthbert	13	10.75	10.75
J. R. Britt, Asst. P.S.			
Miss H. Pennewell	41	75.30	75.30
J. Craig	31	72.30	38.40
Mrs. A. B. Thomas	22	60.90	4.55
D. N. Smith	16	74.15	3.25
Mrs. M. Hernandez	16	16.80	16.80
Mrs. D. Jones	10	25.00	25.00
Mrs. F. Richards	10		
Oscar Dunn, Asst. P.S.			
C. Brockenbrough	52	199.90	94.65
Mrs. I. Johnson	41	116.25	60.00
Mrs. L. Riddick	36	47.68	47.68
J. D. Riddick	28	51.50	51.50
Mrs. M. Miah	89	137.76	137.76
Mrs. M. Miah	28	32.15	32.15
Mrs. E. Thornton	25	55.44	55.44
Mrs. H. Handy	19	135.30	49.50
Mrs. D. Bowers	16	3.00	43.55
Mrs. P. Bell	15	94.25	40.75
Mrs. Brockenbrough	13	13.83	13.83
W. C. Seates, Asst. P.S.			
R. W. Frye	35	138.00	
Mrs. M. Pullen	25	127.10	42.30
Miss C. Bland	25	71.30	24.00
Mrs. D. Jenkins	21	131.25	93.95
C. C. Brown	21	72.90	51.10
J. Robinson	20	86.10	39.60
Mrs. S. Carter	23	31.65	
Mrs. R. Edmonds	19	24.45	24.45
E. Williamson	16	56.10	
Mrs. S. M. Archie	14	18.45	18.45
Mrs. E. Brooks	12	14.15	14.15

## ALLEGHENY (Continued)

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
Mrs. J. L. Field	11	7.50	7.50
Mrs. S. Carter	10	58.50	
A. Taylor	15	82.60	65.45
Mrs. S. Carter	14	7.20	
Miss C. Bland	16	82.20	19.20
J. Bernhard	12		21.00
Mrs. J. Buckner	11		16.80
Mrs. S. Carter	10	32.90	
Totals	1135	3584.56	1446.66

## POTOMAC

C. H. Smith, P.S.			
M. A. Oliff	44	137.30	106.40
J. G. Reams, Jr.	37	73.85	34.70
W. T. Smith	33	190.80	84.65
David Dunkinson	32	206.15	16.25
A. H. Robertson	26	174.00	11.00
Mrs. W. R. Campbell	24	101.00	10.00
W. R. Campbell	23	166.50	12.75
E. F. Swan	20	7.75	132.90
E. L. Draper, Asst. P.S.			
Walter Y. Young	39	142.25	129.50
Margaret Hogan	35	162.25	105.75
Mr. & Mrs. Vasko	32	167.65	158.40
Mrs. N. Wingo	31	143.60	26.00
Mrs. Giovannetti	30	35.50	33.50
J. E. Gould	27	75.60	8.85
William W. Parker	20	17.50	48.60
Eugene Palmer	13	58.25	33.00
Mrs. T. F. Jordan	10	13.20	29.60
Lynne Sudduth, Asst. P.S.			
Mr. & Mrs. Hamrick	42	112.75	29.55
Mrs. P. M. Jenkins	29	116.30	42.80
A. colporteur	24	49.00	49.00
Mrs. W. L. Bigelow	18	91.55	19.40
Mrs. J. G. Reams	16	22.45	22.45
Barbara Rossignol	12	10.00	93.38
Barbara Rossignol	11	13.95	110.00
Mrs. C. Heath	10	10.05	10.05
Totals	823	2987.35	1578.33

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

J. A. Jarry, P.S.			
L. H. Wagner, Asst. P.S.			
R. E. Waldron	44	252.50	110.50
A. Brandt	41	249.25	45.00
Fred Thomas	41	69.75	12.50
C. Baumgartner	40	81.30	64.90
Paul Bernet	40	80.40	20.85
James Soper	39	62.50	29.50
J. Kissinger	35	7.85	
Marjorie L. Tucker	35	177.00	93.10
M. D. Hollenbaugh	33	33.35	62.35
Anna Diehrich	31	136.60	174.30
J. Ledonne	31	74.60	59.65
Frances Colyer	30	118.00	60.90
E. S. Achenbach	24	3.05	3.05
Viola Siegel	23	64.40	32.70
Marian Schmehl	20	12.50	4.35
Dee Trautman	20		15.00
O. S. Weller	20	32.40	32.40
E. K. Hart	19	9.25	14.75
Mary Sweigart	15	9.50	8.50
Carrie M. Brown	13	15.50	
A worker	7		6.75
Totals	603	1489.70	851.05

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Marvin H. Reeder, P.S.			
Clifford A. Yarnell, Asst. P.S.			
Arthur L. Page	38	232.90	232.90
Laurence Shauf	34	145.80	20.70
A colporteur	32	60.80	51.50
Arthur L. Page	31	224.45	224.45
Wilma Widmer	27	184.00	
James Steen	24	120.60	108.90
G. J. Schuerger	20	10.30	13.55
Laurence Shauf	17	24.50	16.95
Paulene Rodocker	14	36.00	
George Buttermore	18	56.50	15.50
William J. Patten	18	78.00	30.00
William J. Patten	21	49.95	49.95
Miscellaneous	27	50.25	81.75
Totals	321	1274.05	846.15

## CHESAPEAKE

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
James E. Curry, P.S.			
Stanley Haines	40	98.90	60.50
Charles Walton	37	46.50	46.50
William Henson	36	18.60	31.30
F. B. Odell	36	190.00	190.00
John Thomson	35	85.90	85.90
Harry Phelps	31	27.95	30.95
Harry Wilson	31	43.60	43.60
Mrs. W. F. Houck	26	104.00	104.00
Carey Smith	24	31.20	
W. F. Houck	21	110.00	110.00
Emma Clark	18	25.50	38.25
R. G. Wynn	10	19.05	19.95
Melvin White	9	12.00	12.00
Totals	357	814.10	741.85

## NEW JERSEY

L. A. Pomeroy, P.S.			
G. W. Barnes	37	156.60	156.60
Sigmond Gawron	23	87.85	87.85
Mary Gawron	19	42.50	29.25
Edwin Glenz	8	12.00	43.20
William Gray	40	88.35	88.35
Cornelius Hager	23	38.05	130.70
Paul Voorhees	21	20.00	20.00
Macko	20	50.00	
Mrs. K. Macko	20	104.75	146.75
Totals	211	600.10	702.70
UNION TOTALS	4602	14519.47	9167.81

LISTEN EVERY SUNDAY TO THE



BOX 55, LOS ANGELES 53, CALIF.

## Recent Responses From Voice of Prophecy Bible School

*From a Hospital*

"I HAVE waited for these lessons as a child would wait for a malt. I had never found answers to my questions until I took this Bible course. I know that God let me come to this hospital that I might learn the truth. I am giving up smoking and ask your prayers that I may recover sufficiently so that I may be baptized in the spring."  
—Missouri.

*Neighborhood Awakened*

"Before I studied these lessons I had no idea that Saturday was the true Sabbath. My mother believes Sunday is the Sabbath, and has asked the minister about it. He said he would give her Bible proof, but I am sure he can't. I am the only one in the neighborhood who is keeping the Sabbath. Almost everyone in the community is talking about it. Most of them are doubtful, but they are curious, and try to argue with me about it. Please pray for me that I may always have an answer."  
—Texas.

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# NEW JERSEY

W. B. HILL, Pres.  
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Trenton 8, N. J.

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

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## Mid-Quarter Church School Report

It is God's plan that every phase of His work grow and prosper. As we see the onward march of the advent message, we know God's hand is pointing out the way and His blessing is on His work.

As the mid-year reports of the teachers of our church schools are compiled it is gratifying to note the results. These reports show progress, which is always a healthy condition. Our ten schools are manned by thirteen very efficient teachers. One hundred and fifty-four boys and girls are enrolled, of which 41 are baptized members of the church.

These schools are organized into thirteen separate J.M.V. societies, seven of which have a MODEL rating. These junior societies are very active as this report of the fourth quarter of 1947 shows: Bible readings, 39; missionary visits, 164; persons given help, 137; pieces of literature distributed, 5,617; Week of Sacrifice offering, \$46.52. Baptismal classes are organized in almost all of the ten schools. So it is with great courage that we face the future, knowing that, as God has led and blessed in the past, so will He continue to lead and bless.

The week end of February 13-14 was a profitable one. Elder G. M. Mathews, Educational Superintendent of our Union, met with the Trenton Missionary Volunteer Society Friday night and impressed everyone with the importance of making the right decisions, for the decisions we make now determine our eternal destiny. Sabbath morning and afternoon were spent at the Paterson and Jersey City Number Two Churches, respectively.

The topic of the day was Christian education, and as we heard of the various devices Satan is using in order to bring our children to destruction, how clear became the statement from the Spirit of prophecy, "Parents should realize that it is no longer safe to send them [children] to the public school." After such a timely pres-

entation of the subject all serious-minded parents should do everything possible in order to give their children a Christian education.

With the closing of school only four months away, we are laying plans for a bigger, better year in 1948-49. We are thankful for the progress made, but we should not be satisfied to the extent that we shall go no further. There is much room for improvement and every church member should work toward making his school an ideal one.

We do appreciate our earnest, consecrated teachers. They are doing a wonderful work and God has richly blessed them. As we plan for several new schools we trust that our teachers will sense the great need and definitely will remain with us for another year. At the same time, we are asking for other teachers who are not teaching this year to think seriously about the need and the place they can fill in God's work. Then, as He directs you, will you respond to His call for service?

WALTER E. HAASE

*Educational Superintendent, New Jersey Conference.*

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## Washington Missionary College

"The Gateway to Service"

W. H. SHEPHARD, President

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## Halcyon Hall Furnishings

We were delighted this week to receive several large offerings for Halcyon Hall. Elder and Mrs. D. S. Thurston of Youngstown, Ohio sent their check for \$225 for the furnishing of a room in Halcyon Hall. We are pleased to tell them that their name will appear on the room which they have furnished.

We were also delighted that Mr. and Mrs. Emil Scherer of the Baltimore Number One Church sent a check this week for \$225 for the furnishing of a room in Halcyon Hall. We are happy to tell them that their name will appear as they have indicated upon the room which they have furnished.

We want to express appreciation and thankfulness for the splendid response which we are receiving to this campaign. Indeed, our new girls' dormitory will be a most interesting memorial to all the kind

people who have so generously contributed to this campaign.

We are pleased to add to the list of names upon the plaque which will hang in the main lobby the following names: Anna W. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Smith, and Robert and Elsie Tyson.

The other list continues to grow as we add this week three new names: Mrs. Ella Griffin, C. H. Lingo, and Mrs. Florence May.

### Rooms Furnished

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Suhrle and Claoma Charles and Anita Vandervort  
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dougherty  
Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Neilsen and Lois Dorcas Society of Cleveland, Ohio  
Alumni Association of Washington Missionary College

A friend—in memory of a loved one  
Columbia Union Conference Family  
Mrs. Gradye Summerour, Jane Summerour, and Miss Maude Brooke  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Sooy  
Elder and Mrs. D. S. Thurston  
Mr. and Mrs. Emil Scherer

### Contributors of \$10 or More

Akron, Ohio Missionary Volunteer Society	Lancaster, Pa. Dorcas Society
Elder C. V. Anderson	Helen Lorigan
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Mrs. Esther Brown	Mrs. Bertha Meade
Mrs. Elmer E. Cashman	Anna W. Parker
Lina Chosich	John H. Reagan
Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Dever	E. Ward Russell
Mr. and Mrs. Clifton E. Downey	Elder E. H. Schneider
Sara A. Davis	Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Smith
R. S. Finch	Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith
Elder Frederick Griggs	Mrs. Minnie Smith
Mrs. Arla Heimbaugh	Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Staples
Elder G. W. Holman	Robert and Elsie Tyson
Nellie R. Howard	Myrtle O. Ward
Lura Kilgus	Hannah West
Mrs. Rachel Koch	Dora Yelchner
Mr. and Mrs. John Lamanna	A friend

### Other Contributors

A friend	Mrs. E. Miller
May Bordner	Josephine Mills
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Coffman	Mrs. Maurice Newland
Mr. C. Cosentine	Nellie A. Ogle
Mrs. R. O. Decker	Mrs. Wilda E. Rockhill
Mrs. Elva Griffin	Mr. L. D. Scott
Mr. A. Hildebrand	Mrs. A. Wohlwend
Pearl Kattelman	Mrs. Julia Zhoray
C. H. Lingo	Mrs. Jacob Ziegenfuss
Emma N. Martin	
Mrs. Florence May	

W. H. SHEPHARD

President

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## News Notes

ELEVEN upper division students were selected to appear in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities* and given diplomas in assembly recently. Those who gained this honor are Roy Brooks, Bruce Bush, Constantine Christofides, Elvin Feltman, Richard Harris, Alice Heiney, Clifford Ludington, Loren Poole, Richard Scharffenberg, Joseph Stevens, and Lillian Wynne.

Six student efforts conducted by members of the evangelism class are being held in near-by cities, reports Elder Milton G. Conger, Associate Professor of Homiletics.

DON ROTH

COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR