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Columbia Union Camp Meetings

THE last of the eight camp meetings in the Columbia Union just closed. Every one of these gatherings, West Virginia, West Pennsylvania, Potomac, East Pennsylvania, Ohio, New Jersey, Allegheny, and Chesapeake, was well attended from the beginning to the close. Moreover, our devoted believers took a deep interest in the challenging and stirring messages that were presented from time to time.

It is very obvious that God's remnant people are sensing as never before the shortness and the solemnity of the time, and are putting forth every effort to place their all upon the altar of God for the finishing of the work and preparing their hearts and lives for the soon return of our Lord.

We were privileged to have with us at these various camp meetings strong General Conference help—Elders N. C. Wilson, Roger Altman, D. A. McAdams, and Mrs. A. Moore, who gave invaluable help during the various camp meetings. Elder G. E. Peters gave splendid help at

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the Allegheny camp meeting. Washington Missionary College was represented by President Shephard and Elder W. R. French, whose sermons and timely studies were greatly appreciated. The Union Conference force of workers also attended all of these meetings, giving all the help they possibly could.

During these camp meetings the regular biennial business sessions were held. The same officers in all conferences were re-elected as follows:

Allegheny Conference—President, J. H. Wagner; Secretary-Treasurer, F. L. Bland.

Chesapeake Conference—President, C. V. Anderson; Secretary-Treasurer, A. B. Butler.

East Pennsylvania Conference—President, T. E. Unruh; Secretary-Treasurer, R. E. Spangle.

New Jersey Conference—President, W. B. Hill; Secretary-Treasurer, J. O. McLeod.

Ohio Conference—President, W.

M. Robbins; Secretary-Treasurer, C. C. Morris.

Potomac Conference—President, H. J. Detwiler; Secretary-Treasurer, W. H. Jones.

West Pennsylvania Conference—President, W. C. Moffett; Secretary-Treasurer, C. B. Green.

West Virginia Conference—President, C. J. Coon; Secretary-Treasurer, W. M. Nosworthy.

The same departmental secretaries of the various conferences also were re-elected. We greatly appreciate the work that these leaders of the conferences are doing in promoting God's cause in the various fields. In most conferences changes were made in the personnel of the conference executive committees.

At all these camp meetings our people were given the opportunity to support the world-wide work by their means. It is gratifying to see how well they responded in every conference. Our people will be glad to know that during these two years, 1946 and 1947, our people in the Columbia Union have

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Every Possible Effort to Send
Your Young People to the*

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brought to the Lord's treasury \$4,343,084.60 in tithe, and \$1,802,-316.79 in mission offerings, making a total of \$6,145,401.39. This is an average of \$3,072,700.69 a year, \$256,058.39 a month, or \$8,418.35 a day. Is not this an indication that God is wonderfully blessing our people in this large field?

The presidents' reports were very encouraging. In many of these conferences a large number of new churches were raised up during the last biennial period. Moreover a large number of new churches were dedicated free from debt.

In every conference the program of aggressive evangelism is being pushed in a strong way. Nearly 4,000 persons were baptized in these eight conferences during the past two years.

We are also glad to report that during these eight camp meetings 19 young men were ordained to the gospel ministry. This is an indication that strong young men coming from Washington Missionary College are taking their places in the rank and file of the Lord's ministry and are proving them-

selves in the winning of souls to this message.

At this time I am forced to meditate upon the spiritual blessings which we received during these camp meetings. Moreover, as I think of you, my fellow believers, who attended these holy convocations, I am forced to ask you a number of questions.

Did you receive the blessing that God had in store for you during these meetings?

Are you a better Christian as a result of having attended these sacred gatherings?

Are you better equipped spiritually to meet the conflict of the enemy in your daily toil and labor?

Time is short! The probationary hours are fast slipping by. Will you be ready when probation's hours close? Surely we cannot afford to lose the spiritual blessings we received during these camp meetings.

Let us pray one for another that God may keep us true and faithful to this message and to the remnant movement and fit us for His soon return.

Special Correspondent to Report on World Council of Churches

THE greatest event in the history of Protestantism since the days of the Reformation is about to take place in Amsterdam, Holland. In that city, from August 22 to September 4, will convene religious leaders from almost all of the outstanding non-Roman Catholic bodies of Christendom. They will meet with the avowed purpose of creating a World Council of Churches.

For many years, even for centuries, after the Reformation the tendency in Protestantism was to divide and subdivide. Sometimes this was for doctrinal, sometimes for other, reasons. In recent years the trend has set in definitely toward consolidation. Now comes the breath-taking move to weld all the churches, exclusive of Roman Catholicism into one great body. True, the immediate plan does not call for the disappearance of all denominational lines, but the trend is certainly in that direction.

What such a move may bode for religion no one can dogmatically say at this time. That the trend should be watched with interest, especially by all who are students of Revelation 13, goes without saying.

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Bearers of Good Tidings

COLPORTEUR evangelists are engaged in the greatest business in all the world. We do not doubt that God's richest blessings rest upon this soul-winning feature of our work in the Ohio Conference.

The literature minister who has the inner evidence of God's call to him is throwing his whole heart and life's energies into the work and is not looking for something else to do. That which he sees and hears in this old world calls him to duty. It was the divine passion that burned in the heart of Paul when he said, "I seek not yours but you." It was this same passion that led David Livingstone into the jungles, swamps, and malaria regions of Africa in search of lost souls.

This same consuming love for Christ and for lost souls in the great field of Ohio will lead us, dear fellow member, into a deeper consecration to our God-given task and a vision of larger accomplish-

ments, first in our own neighborhood, and then in all neighborhoods, during the days and months to come, which are the best of the year. Our literature actually mirrors the need of these souls. "How beautiful . . . are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace . . . that publisheth salvation."

Selling efficiency is demanded today as always. It is still the movings of the Spirit of God through His efficient human instrument which brings results. The "Royal road to success" is the same as heretofore. One of our soul winners has just written me the following:

"Friday morning I was short \$33 on my goal of \$200 for the week. I asked God to let me have the amount by noon to make it possible. An almost sure customer refused to buy at the first call. My faith receded and I prayed for courage.

"At the next home a sale was made. I was able to leave a set of precious literature in the following home, and at fifteen minutes before noon I needed still one more order.

"Filled with expectation, I called at the next home, where I was not disappointed, for the lady purchased a set of books and paid me cash for the same. At 12:03 I left that home happy to know my goal had been reached, and also many enrollments were made for the correspondence course."

To hasten this great work a larger ministry is needed in this great part of the Master's vineyard. Placing more books and periodicals in more and more homes must continue to be our steady policy. God is doing marvels to provide literature for the harvest field. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers in-

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to" the over-ripened field. Pray that the Lord will send YOU, dear reader, into His harvest.

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Tar Hollow Camps

CAMPING days for 1948 are over, but the happy times remain as pleasant memories to the boys and girls who were able to attend. Tar Hollow camp is growing each year. The 1948 camps were the largest thus far, with 151 boys in the first camp and 137 girls in the second camp. The Lord blessed us with good weather and we thank Him for his divine protection, as no serious illness or accident occurred during either camp.

Several new craft classes were added this year and it seems the boys and girls worked harder than ever. In all classes, including nature, swimming, and crafts, the campers earned 361 vocational honors during the two camp periods. This is a very fine record and shows the enthusiasm of the juniors as they worked toward greater achievements.

We are glad to report that during the time of the two camps five qualified as senior lifeguards and seven, as junior lifeguards. These will receive appropriate certificates from the American Red Cross.

The Lord was with us in a special way on the two Sabbaths, and the boys and girls responded to His great love as many signified their desire to join baptismal classes in their home churches.

At Tar Hollow the campers have an opportunity to live among the things God made—it is so easy to get acquainted with Him as we live in a place where the things of nature are abundant.

The missionary spirit of the juniors was evident in the Sabbath school offerings. The two camps gave as Sabbath school offerings a total of \$195.95. This compares with a total of about \$60 the previous year. Surely we can say that our boys and girls are interested in the boys and girls of other lands.

We wish to express our appreciation to the many who helped make Tar Hollow what it was this summer—the ministers, the cooks, the craft teachers, the counselors, and many others who gave of their time and effort. It is the united effort of all these that makes Tar Hollow what it is to our boys and girls.

The boys and girls are already looking forward to next year. We have asked the camp management to increase the capacity of the camp for next summer. We do hate to disappoint any junior who wishes to go. But in order to be sure of a place it is wise to plan ahead. Some have already asked to make reservation, but we shall accept none until next year when the time of the camp is announced.

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New Jersey Camp Meeting

It is believed that an act of Providence made it possible for the New Jersey Conference to hold its camp meeting again this year at the Rockefeller estate in Lakewood, N. J. With many difficulties to overcome, God led the way into what is considered one of the greatest spiritual gatherings ever held in the Conference. Ministers and laity alike felt a powerful moving of the Holy Spirit throughout the entire time of the session.

In the biennial elections Elder W. B. Hill was re-elected to the presidency, and J. O. McLeod was re-elected to the Secretary-Treasurer's office of the Conference. W. B. Hill, J. O. McLeod, S. W. Burrows, R. A. Tyson, Stephen Pauly, G. B. Suhrie, and H. J. Adams comprise the newly chosen Conference committee.

A very beautiful and solemn ordination service took place on the first Sabbath afternoon of the encampment when Thomas Ipes and Joseph Jeffreys were set apart, by prayer and the laying on of hands, to the gospel ministry.

Elder W. R. French, professor of Bible at Washington Missionary College, conducted the morning devotions throughout the encampment. His plain, clear, and deeply instructive messages set the pace for the wonderful blessings which came to the entire assembly.

Also adding much to the vibrant tone of the gathering were Elder Roger Altman, Elder Scharffenberg, and Sister Arabella Moore, from the General Conference; Elder D. A. Ochs, Elder J. C. Holland, Dr. B. G. Wilkinson, Elder J. F. Kent, Elder D. A. Delafield,

Elder G. M. Mathews, Mary Walsh, Mrs. A. B. Loasby, and Elder D. E. Rebok, from the Columbia Union and the leading institutions therein. From two neighboring conferences came Elders T. E. Unruh and C. V. Anderson, presidents of East Pennsylvania and Chesapeake Conferences respectively. Both these brethren made heaven a very real place in the hearts of all who heard. Privileged to represent the local ministry in the pulpit this year were Elders W. B. Hill, K. H. Wood, Jr., S. W. Pauly, and S. W. Burrows.

However, the thing that seemed to draw all the blessings gained from the meetings themselves and concentrate them into a vital channel of practical use was the gathering of God's people at the appointed time into little prayer bands all over the camp. No sight was more thrilling than to see the children of God kneeling there, placing their dependence and trust in Him.

The local newspapers, the *Lakewood Daily Times* and the *Lakewood Citizen* (published weekly), extended unusual cooperation in accepting every article submitted for publication. The *Asbury Park Press* also sent its personal reporter to the encampment for news and hired a pilot to fly their photographer over the camp for a picture of the neat city of tents, raised in Rockefeller's apple orchard. The resulting photograph appeared in the opening Friday's issue of the *Press*, accompanied by an excellent write-up.

Services of the encampment concluded July 25, but the blessings and the victories which were gained by those who attended will linger on and on until Jesus comes.

FRANKLIN S. FOWLER

Wedding

At 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, in the German Lutheran Church, where the Plainfield, N. J. Seventh-day Adventists formerly met, Miss Tillie Rosalee Reinhardt of Bison, Kansas was united in marriage to Sidney Arthur Baker. The church was nicely decorated with red roses. Miss Esther V. Baker was bridesmaid, and Raymond C. Brown was best man.

"I'll Be Loving You Always" and "Because" were sung by George Marion Manry, by request. He was accompanied at the pipe organ by his wife, Mrs. Joanna Manry.

Many friends, church members, and neighbors were present to wit-

ness this solemn service and wish the young couple God's rich blessings through life's journey. A reception followed with many guests and friends of the family present.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker left immediately for Denver, Colo., where they will make their home. Mr. Baker will follow his trade as upholsterer and Mrs. Baker will return to her work in the diet kitchen of the Porter Sanitarium, where she is employed.

This solemn rite was performed by the writer.

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News From the Field

ELDER J. C. Dean writes: "Good news it is to be able to report by the goodness of God that three precious souls were baptized last Sabbath, July 31, and received into church fellowship. Brother Austin Doleman was responsible for this victory, for he has worked very faithfully in behalf of these three lives and God has blessed his labors of love.

"The Vienna Church will be strengthened by these additions. It will be my privilege to associate with our dear believers in Montross, Va. I plan to have the communion service with them."

Montross is another dark county in the great state of Virginia.

From one of our five tent companies comes the following good word:

"We have some fine interests. One who had been a constant drinking man for about twenty years has definitely turned to the Lord. For several weeks now, when he has been offered a drink, he has been able to say, 'No thank you, I don't care for it anymore.'

"One man said to him, 'What is the matter with you? I hear you have joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church.' He replied that he was planning to do so. He has begun to pay tithe and has made plans to observe the Sabbath. Our coming to this place has been worthwhile just for the help and joy that our great message has brought to this one family."

Elder W. E. Peeke from Marion, Va. sends on the following cheering report:

"We now have 7,558 Bible course enrollment cards to mail out. Besides these, we shall distribute about 2,500 more from house to house in Marion and Abingdon. This means that we shall have covered Smith County, Abingdon, Glade Springs, and Meadow View in Washington County. We are praying for a large enrollment in this work."

From Blackstone we have also just received the following good report from Elder W. T. Smith, in charge of the tent effort that is now being conducted there:

"I am glad to report that our attendance has been growing each night. The same people are coming back night after night. Their interest seems to be very good. The offering receipts for the first five nights amounted to \$49.85. We have received a number of names of those who desire literature on the subjects presented.

"The people who come are a very fine class. Their expressions concerning the meetings are very fine also. These evidences give us much courage and we praise God for His many blessings. Each night I ask how many are listening to the radio program and almost every hand is raised; so, our radio program is helping a great deal also."

Brother and Sister Vasko write: "God is wonderfully blessing us with an increased attendance at the Community Bible Tabernacle here in Blackstone. We are so pleased with the radio broadcast day by day. We are especially encouraged to see a large number of the good people from Blackstone attending the meetings night after night who, a few years ago, purchased *Bible Readings for the Home* from us. We trust that these good people may accept the truth."

We are glad for this good report from Brother Peeke and concerning the tent effort in Blackstone, another dark county in the great state of Virginia.

H. J. DETWILER

Wedding

RELATIVES and friends gathered at the home of Miss Jessie C. Butler in Lynchburg, Va., on July 7, to witness the happy occasion of the marriage of her sister, Mrs. Annie Laurie Bloom, to John James Womack.

Both are residents of Lynchburg, and will establish their new home in this city.

The wedding service was sol-

emnized by Elder William A. Butler, brother of Miss Jessie Butler and the bride. Brother Womack is one of the officers of the Lynchburg Church and a business man of the city. Mrs. Womack is a nurse.

We wish this couple a happy walk together in Christian service.

WILLIAM A. BUTLER

Wedding

IN a ceremony solemnized on Thursday evening, June 24, in the garden of her parents' home in Norcross, Ga., Miss Mary Sue Summerour became the bride of David Albert Magoon of Orlando, Fla. and Washington, D. C. Elder Earl F. Hackman of Miami officiated.

Following the reception, Mr. Magoon and his bride left by automobile for a trip through New England. Upon their return, they will reside in Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

May heaven's richest blessing rest upon this home.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

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Youth's Congress

WE wish to urge the young people of this conference to attend the Youth's Congress in Convention Hall in Philadelphia August 26-29. This will be undoubtedly the largest gathering of young people ever held in the East.

Arrangements are being made for a program of outstanding interest and inspiration which will grip the hearts of our young people. By joining together in the expense of traveling by automobile, the cost will be very small. The Voice of Prophecy will broadcast from Convention Hall.

W. C. MOFFETT

Evangelistic Meetings

WE are receiving encouraging reports for the three tent efforts. Elder L. G. Cornelius and Brethren Ray Spencer, Jr. and V. A. Chilson are conducting the tent effort between Sharon and Sharpsville.

Elder A. Ray Norcliffe and Glenn Smith have a fine interest in Broad

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Top, and Elder O. G. Carnes and Brother David Reid are greatly encouraged by the growing interest in Center Hall. The local pastor in Center Hall launched a vigorous attack which seems to have aroused the resentment of the community against the pastor and served to lead the people to come to the tent to hear for themselves.

W. C. MOFFETT

Wedding

ON Monday afternoon, July 19, a beautiful wedding ceremony was performed on the lawn of Elder and Mrs. Moffett, Verona, Pa., when Lois Paden and Allen G. Haughey were united in the bonds of marriage.

Present for the occasion were the immediate relatives and the members of the Conference office force and a few close friends. The wedding music was supplied by two brothers of the bride, Marion and Cecil Paden. Charlene Paden acted as flower girl. Robert Luss was best man and Helen Wheeler was maid of honor.

The young couple will make their home in Milton, Wis. Thirty-five years ago the parents of the bride were united in marriage by the writer.

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Camp Meeting Along the Manatawny

ON Sunday, August 1, the Allegheny Conference of Seventh-day Adventists closed its second and most impressive spiritual encampment yet held at Pine Forge along the banks of the Manatawny.

The series of meetings began Thursday evening, July 22, and continued to the noon meeting August 1. A galaxy of "gentlemen of the cloth," evangelists, "medics," and educators highlighted the program.

The General Conference was ably represented by Elders N. C. Wilson, G. E. Peters, E. B. Hare, and Mrs. Arabella Moore.

Representing Oakwood College were Professor F. L. Peterson; Dr. Eva B. Dykes; Miss Anna Knight,

former missionary to India; and Professor G. E. Rogers. Mrs. E. I. Cunningham, respectfully referred to as Oakwood's mother, gave a timely discussion.

From our own union conference came Elders D. A. Ochs, J. F. Kent, and J. C. Holland; Mr. C. H. Kelly, Prof. G. M. Mathews, and Miss Mary Walsh.

Local sister conferences sent such excellent help as Elder L. H. Bland, President of the Northeastern Conference; Elder W. M. Fordham, Superintendent of the Southwestern Mission; and Elder H. R. Murphy, President of the South Central Conference. Elder Reynolds, Editor of the *Message* magazine, also nobly assisted us.

A spacious canopy which seated 1,600 served as the main pavilion. A children's tent under the supervision of Mrs. Helen Sugland of Washington, D. C. and a young people's tent, a new blue canvas of the push pole variety, lent by the Cleveland congregation, were decided assets in caring for the young people that attended the meetings.

A sanitary unit had been constructed for the comfort of the constituency, offering showers, running water, and flush toilets. Elder Wagner, who sent out special letters for the project, as well as the other conference officials and secretaries, certainly appreciate the help that was given by the sponsors of this project. Without their help, it would have been most difficult to make this unit possible.

From the far reaches of the Allegheny Conference, which comprises the states of Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, and the District of Columbia, came large groups in cars, busses, and via train.

The present slate of officers were re-elected to serve in recognition of their fine work and the blessings of the Lord.

Eight were baptized at the special service as the songs of Zion echoed and re-echoed over hill and vale.

The reports of the President, Elder J. H. Wagner, and the Treasurer, Elder F. L. Bland, revealed that the work is financially solid, moving steadily forward and onward.

A patient and thankful people thanked God for his goodness and pledged anew their determination to support the program with renewed zeal.

A. V. PINKNEY

Conference Reporter

Highlights of Camp Meeting

OUR camp meeting has convened and is now a thing of history. During this holy convocation the Spirit of the Lord came near to the workers and constituents of the Allegheny Conference as God spoke to us through the many speakers from the General, Union, and local conferences as well as the other institutions such as Oakwood College, Southern Publishing Association, and the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

On the first Sabbath over \$600 was received for the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital. On the following Sabbath an amount totaling over \$1,100 in cash and pledges was raised for the new addition to the Pine Forge Institute, the boys' dormitory. Sabbath school offerings for the two Sabbaths amounted to \$850, almost \$100 more than was received last year. Each night good offerings were given to help defray the heavy expenses of camp meeting.

It was estimated that there were over 3,500 persons present on the camp grounds each Sabbath. A great many of our guests were from the Northeastern Conference. The only change in the office personnel and management was the executive committee which is now as follows: Elders J. H. Wagner, F. L. Bland, E. S. Dillett, M. S. Banfield, J. H. Lawrence, J. L. Moran, M. H. Morgan, J. T. Dodson, J. H. Lester, R. T. Hudson, and W. L. Cheatham.

The spirit of the entire session, together with the atmosphere and discourses, tended toward the harmony and unity of purpose that we feel must prevail in the Allegheny Conference.

The Lord has blessed our work wonderfully in the past and we feel that there are new fields to conquer in the future. May the sentiment of the following prayer be the expression of every heart, and if this is so we may rest assured that this harmony which is so desired will prevail:

SUNSET CALENDAR

	AUG. 20	AUG. 27
Baltimore, Md.	6:54	6:44
Cleveland, Ohio	7:17	7:06
Columbus, Ohio	7:23	7:12
Cumberland, Md.	7:03	6:53
Parkersburg, W. Va.	7:12	7:01
Philadelphia, Pa.	6:51	6:40
Pittsburgh, Pa.	7:11	7:00
Richmond, Va.	6:55	6:45
Scranton, Pa.	6:54	6:43
Toledo, Ohio	7:25	7:14
Trenton, N. J.	6:49	6:39
Washington, D. C.	6:56	6:46

NOTE: Time given is E.S.T.

Dear Lord, May I live to help the person
 who hates and tries to keep me down!
 Let my Light shine!
 May I greet them with a smile,
 Who meet me with a frown.
 Help me to be so full of Thy Holy
 Spirit as not to see
 The wrong they do to me!
 May I never hold malice in my heart
 Nor hunt up strife;
 Help me not to judge the faults of
 Another's life.
 And be too busy in Thy service to
 See what others do to me.
 Lord, help me to use good sense;
 And in nothing give offense.
 As none are perfect as Thee.
 May I be so full of thee
 As not to see the wrong
 That others do to me.

—Selected

J. H. WAGNER

President

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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work in this field may not have been mentioned. We have carried the responsibility of leadership for only part of the period under consideration. It would have been appropriate for Elder Ochs to join me in making this report since only so recently he gave such excellent leadership to this field.

We gratefully acknowledge the overshadowing providence of God over His work during the months and years now past. We sincerely express to our people the gratitude that fills our hearts as we remember their loyalty and devotion to the cause they have espoused. What measure of progress has been experienced is the result of the united and consecrated efforts of church members, Conference laborers, and the constant encouragement and assistance of the entire Union Conference staff. It is fitting that we should now join in a rededication of our lives to our heavenly Father as we enter upon the work of this Conference session.

T. E. UNRUH

Special Correspondent . . .

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ing. In order that the readers of the *Review and Herald* may have a current, authoritative report on this World Council session, W. L. Emerson, editor in our British Publishing House, has been commissioned to go to Amsterdam for the whole session and to write a series of news reports with pictures. He has formal accreditation to the press section of the World Council meeting, and will have immediate access to all the official information released to the press.

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Finds Sabbath-keepers

"Rejoice with me, for I have

Youth's Congress News Flash!

THE Voice of Prophecy radio group, including H. M. S. Richards, speaker, E. R. Walde, announcer, and the King's Heralds quartet, is coming in person to the Columbia Union Youth's Congress to be held in Convention Hall, Philadelphia. Their messages in sermon and song will inspire every heart. Plan to attend!

found a group of Christian people who are keeping the true Sabbath! I have been meeting with them for the past six weeks. I am so eager to learn all I can, for I feel that I have waited too long to start."—Arkansas.

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President's Biennial Report

(Conclusion)

Church and Conference Properties

FORTY of the 55 churches worship in church-owned properties. In becoming acquainted with the field I have grown conscious of a great need for rapidly increasing the expanding of our church and school housing facilities. At the present time Waynesboro and Carlisle are engaged in church building projects which should be completed soon. Harrisburg and Reading have plans under way for the building of new school structures, while eight or nine other churches are in varying degrees of progress in their planning for building new churches or enlarging their present facilities.

Our Conference office property in Philadelphia is both representative and adequate for the work in this field. Our equipment makes for efficient service. It has been suggested to me on many occasions since coming here that the time had come for removing our headquarters out of this large city to some place more central in the Conference and that committee actions have been taken in the past favoring such a move. It has been my opinion that a question so far-reaching should be settled, not by the committee but by the constituency in biennial session. This matter may properly constitute a legitimate question for study by the delegates here assembled.

The need for camp ground improvement and development is too apparent to require much comment. We have again been served notice by the state inspector that our dining room and kitchen facilities cannot be made to serve us beyond this year. It would seem that his patience is running threadbare. The need for additional cabins is self-evident. The situation has developed where an approaching camp meeting is not a pleasant prospect because of the housing difficulties. The prevailing atmosphere which precedes a camp meeting is strangely akin to a national election where

the "INS" assert their right to continue to occupy and where the "OUTS"—where cabin occupancy is concerned—are convinced "it's time for a change." Only the wisdom of Solomon could convince both groups, but none possesses that wisdom. There is but one solution and that involves building a fair number of new cabins every year. Proper camp ground development to care for the increasing demands of a growing conference makes imperative the purchase of additional land. Parking space on the grounds is altogether too limited. A departmental building to care for the interests of the departments and the Dorcas work also appears as a necessity.

All these improvements, if approved and authorized by the constituency, will involve the expenditure of many thousands of dollars. This money will have to be raised in the field. But some will immediately question, as some are reported to be questioning, "What has been done with the money that already has been raised for a dining room and camp improvements? Why do we not see something accomplished?" Excellent questions are these and when I inquired of the treasury department, the answers were both interesting and enlightening. In 1944 a call was apparently made for a new dining hall fund and the response to that call brought in \$270.13. Our call made at the last camp meeting for funds for camp improvement brought in a total of \$820.63. Both of these amounts are unexpended, being entirely inadequate to make even a beginning on the new dining room and kitchen. This amount of \$1,091.34 will be held in trust for this project. Early this spring we made a call for funds to assist in repairing the damage caused by the heavy ice storm last winter. We appreciated the response, but the amount received fell far below the actual need. A total of \$1,339.69 was received, and this, together with the volunteer help, made possible a measure of repair of the damage. But the record further reveals the fact that during the last two years those who preceded us in office spent \$11,978.34 on the camp ground for new cabins, other housing, and the purchase of land. For this earnest effort to increase the facilities our predecessors are to be commended. Thus it will be clear that the amount spent on the camp ground far exceeds the funds that were provided.

Educational Facilities Needed

I stated at the beginning of this report that this meeting of the delegates must concern itself not so much with evaluating the past, but rather with plans for the future. This being true, I confront you thus early in this session with another matter that rests with serious concern on the hearts of Conference officers and members of the executive committee—a burden which is deeply felt and shared by hundreds of our brethren and sisters in the churches. I refer here to the crying need for a boarding academy to care for the educational needs of the youth of this conference and the young people in near-by territory. We are not unmindful of the excellent work now being done by our Philadelphia Academy. Its work has expanded rapidly and the number of youth it serves has steadily increased. But this institution can serve only a limited field. It helps to accentuate the need of a boarding school.

This matter will be studied thoroughly before this session closes. It is sufficient to state here that it is my personal conviction that this project is long overdue. That the educational facilities on the secondary level are wholly inadequate for this territory is fully recognized by local and Union leadership. That such an undertaking will be a heavy one is equally certain. It is you, the representatives of the churches, who must prayerfully seek for and find the answer to the question as to whether this conference is to undertake the establishment of a boarding school. Having given the answer, and having authorized the raising of the funds for the undertaking, the responsible officers and committees will not shun their responsibility.

Having enumerated the need of the work which apparently involves providing much needed material facilities, it is altogether appropriate that we should echo the question which undoubtedly lurks in the minds of many of our people. "Is it right to embark on such heavy building programs when we believe that we are so near the end of time?" I have no answer other than that sent to us by God through the messenger of the Lord. This answer is found in "Testimonies," Vol. VI, pp. 440-441.

Conclusion

In concluding this report, we are conscious of the fact that undoubtedly some important aspects of the

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