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The Coming of the White Boat —An Answer to a Girl's Prayer

FROM Manaus to Maues, a small town on the Maues River, it is just a twenty-four-hour trip on the *Luzeiro* by the most direct route down the main stream of the Amazon, but there is another route that follows up the Madeira River to the Parana Uraria, then down this small stream to the mouth of the Maues, but this way is several hours farther.

We left Manaus in the month of July and were anxious to get back to Maues as soon as possible, for we have a church there of more than 300 baptized members. As we arrived at the mouth of the Madeira River we stopped and debated which way we should go. I had fully intended to follow the more direct route down the Amazon, but now I felt a strong impulse to turn up the Madeira. As July is the flood season and this year the river was extremely high, the current was so strong that our progress was very slow against it. It was six in the morning when we sailed into the Uraria and started down stream. The morning was beautiful and the jungle on both sides of the stream seemed alive with bright-colored parrots, macaws, and other birds, and occasionally monkeys.

We had not gone far until we came around a bend and sighted a house in a clearing up on a high bank. As we came closer we saw two men each with a white towel waving frantically to us to stop. We circled around and as the *Luzeiro* came alongside they pleaded with us to come ashore and see their sister who was very sick. We climbed up the slippery clay bank and they led the way to the house. There in a dark room, with all the doors and windows closed, was a young lady lying in a hammock. When they opened the windows we saw her right arm hanging

over the side of the hammock, and a tourniquet twisted tight around her arm just above the elbow had stopped the circulation. Her forearm was black and badly swollen, and her hand, while it was covered with some black preparation they had gotten from the woods, we could see was just one big infected sore.

We lost no time in cutting off the tourniquet from her arm and heated water to soak off the black plaster, but it stuck so tight that we had to scrape it off, leaving the sore in a terrible shape. After a good treatment of hot and cold,

and a dose of sulfa, the pain was relieved. She relaxed and told us the following story:

For some time her hand had been getting worse, the infection had spread, and for the last two days the pain was so great she was scarcely able to bear it. She could not sleep or eat, so she began to pray and ask the Lord to send her help. Then she remembered that someone had told her about a little white launch that traveled along the rivers treating the people, so she began to pray that the Lord would send this white boat down their river to help her in this hour of trial. When she heard the sound of our motor as we came around the bend she

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**BUSINESS MEN, FARMERS,
MECHANICS, MERCHANTS,
ETC.**

"When men of business, farmers, mechanics, merchants, lawyers, etc., become members of the church, they become servants of Christ; and although their talents may be entirely different, their responsibility to advance the cause of God by personal effort, AND WITH THEIR MEANS, is no less than that which rests upon the minister. The woe which will fall upon the minister if he preach not the gospel, will just as surely fall upon the business man, if he, with his different talents, will not be a co-worker with Christ in accomplishing the same results."—"Testimonies," Vol. IV, p. 469 (caps. supplied).

"God blesses the work of men's hands that they may return to Him His portion. He gives them the sunshine and the rain; He causes vegetation to flourish; He gives health, and ability to acquire means. Every blessing comes from His bountiful hand, and He DESIRES MEN AND WOMEN TO SHOW THEIR GRATITUDE BY RETURNING HIM A PORTION IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS."—"Prophets and Kings," pp. 707, 708 (caps. supplied).

Laymen in Action Throughout Union

(Continued from last week)

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Mr. Kenneth Wilmarth of Scranton is a man who believes in giving Bible studies. One young lady whom he brought into the truth has been a student at Washington Missionary College preparing to be a Bible instructor. His efforts will be multiplied in the life of this young woman as she enters the work of soul saving which she is already doing.

Mrs. Verna Graham, also a member of the Scranton Church, has done and is doing a fine work. God has crowned her labors with success in the salvation of souls. A young man and his wife have united with the church. The wife was a Catholic. At first, she had some misgivings regarding the message, but the wise and patient instruction of Mrs. Graham led this faltering soul to Christ and His truth. Another lady has been baptized who attended a Bible class which Mrs. Graham con-

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ducted in her home for her neighbors.

This class is the outgrowth of much prayer and fasting. When it was first suggested to open her home for Bible studies, with herself as the teacher, inviting the neighbors to attend, she felt as Jonah did in days of yore. Should she refuse, could she stand before God in the judgment and be guiltless if her neighbors were not in the Kingdom? Prayer was her only recourse for divine boldness to meet the issue.

She reserved the night, and then with prayer went from door to door in the surrounding vicinity. Yes, the ladies would gladly attend. Each Monday evening at the appointed hour eleven women come with their Bibles. Two of them attended the camp meeting this year and expressed to me personally that they believed the message taught by Mrs. Graham.

May this lady's example be duplicated by many throughout the Union. This is the work outlined for us by our heavenly Father. We are not to conjecture as to what the result will be. God will be responsible for that if we do our part faithfully.

"When we give ourselves wholly to God, and in our work follow His directions, He makes Himself responsible for its accomplishments. He would not have us conjecture as to the success of our honest endeavors. Not once should we even think of failure. We are to cooperate with One who knows no failure."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 363.

Dr. F. Troutmann and his wife of Philadelphia decided to give Bible studies. Although active missionaries, they had never before undertaken to give a whole course of Bible instruction to any person. They started by faith and God rewarded their united labors by giving them fruit. The lady with whom they studied ac-

cepted the message and is now a member of the church.

Dr. Troutmann has recently been deprived of his eyesight, but this handicap has not deterred him. I try to visualize in my mind the scene as this man went forth with the aid of his wife to give a study. How heaven rejoiced over the effort that was put forth by this sightless brother! His physical darkness made him more conscious of the spiritual darkness with which his pupil was enshrouded, and no doubt added zeal to the giving of the message which alone would illuminate and consequently dispel the shadows.

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WEST VIRGINIA

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Soul-Winning Rally

THE week end of November 4-6 was one to be long remembered by all Seventh-day Adventists in the Cumberland and Frostburg area. Elder J. F. Kent, Publishing Secretary of the Columbia Union Conference, was the speaker in these special services. He was assisted in the services by Brother Arthur Page, Publishing Secretary of the West Virginia Conference.

The services began Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock, and continued through the two Sabbath services, one in Cumberland on Sabbath morning and the other in Frostburg in the afternoon. Then on Saturday night a beautiful film, "The Birth of a New World," was shown to a joint meeting, at which there were many in attendance from other denominations. All were impressed with the simple Bible truths presented on the

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called her brother and said, "Go quickly, and see if it's white; if it is, wave to them, for it's the boat that God has sent to treat me."

"Yes, it's white, and its name is *Luzeiro II*," cried the brother as he came rushing back to the room, "and they are going to stop; they saw us wave."

Then only did we know why we had turned from our course on the Amazon to go up the Madeira nine hours out of our way against a strong current. God had heard the prayers of one of His children in distress.

The medical work done by our five *Luzeiros* is known all over the Amazon and even in the far away places of the jungle, and thousands are awaiting the arrival of our boats and are anxious to receive us and listen to the gospel.

Our most urgent need now is funds to finish the hospital that we have started in the city of Belém, so that we might establish our medical work on a more permanent basis in this great capital city. LEO B. HALLIWELL

screen. The startling clarity of these pictures brought before the mind of each individual the exactness of Bible prophecy, and that we who live in this trying hour are about to see the final fulfillment of the prophecies of the second chapter of Daniel.

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Sunday morning we met again for the final session of this inspiring soul-winning rally. The service was devoted to teaching the methods of successful soul winning. How to win confidence, how to create a desire for the truth, and the best methods of gaining a decision for Christ were some of the topics under consideration. Every individual was inspired at this service to give his heart anew to the Master to be used in whatever way He sees best.

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Bible Course Students Meet

SHORTLY after the close of the Potomac Conference camp meeting, Elder and Sister J. G. Conmack, returned missionaries from Africa, located in Jonesville, Va., and began working in Lee County at the extreme southwestern end of the Old Dominion State. Elder Conmack conducted twenty-nine meetings. Most of the meetings were held in school auditoriums, and as a result twelve hundred were enrolled in the Twentieth Century Bible Course.

Seven precious souls have recently been baptized as a result of this soul-winning enterprise. Among the candidates is a minister of the Christian Church. Seven more are preparing for baptism.

Two meetings for this fine group of Twentieth Century Bible students were held in the newly erected and most representative Seventh-day Adventist church auditorium in Appalachia. Forty students attended the first meeting and twenty-five attended the second meeting. Lee County, with its population of fifty thousand, was thoroughly covered by Elder Conmack, and it is believed that many precious souls will be led into a saving knowledge of the truth through the study of the Twentieth Century Bible Course lessons that have been placed in so many homes.

It was the writer's privilege in company with Dr. B. G. Wilkinson

and Brother E. H. Shull to spend the week end of October 22 in the Appalachia area. It was indeed an inspiring scene to see the beautiful new church auditorium filled during these week-end services.

Elder W. H. Barringham and Brother N. L. Meager, a recent graduate of the Washington Missionary College, conducted a most successful series of evangelistic meetings in a new tent pitched in the heart of the business section of Big Stone Gap. The interest has been successfully transferred to the Appalachia Church where the evangelistic meetings are continuing.

Elder P. G. Crestakos, who is now in charge of the work in this fine district, is laboring faithfully for a large harvest of precious souls. The labors of Elder and Sister Barringham have been greatly appreciated by the entire church membership and we wish for them continued success in their new field of endeavor in the Chesapeake Conference.

The soul-stirring sermons presented by Dr. B. G. Wilkinson, President Emeritus of Washington Missionary College, will long be remembered. It is indeed a great cause for rejoicing to see the message advance in Lee, Wise, and Scott Counties of southwestern Virginia. Elder and Sister Conmack are doing an excellent work in this whole area. The lessons of the Twentieth Century Bible Course are bringing light to multitudes in this mountainous area.

H. J. DETWILER

Hopewell Investiture

THE newest Missionary Volunteer Society in the Potomac Conference met for a very special occasion Sunday night, November 6, in the "Prophecy Speaks" auditorium at Hopewell, Va. The occasion was an investiture service in which four juniors were invested as Friends and one, as a Companion.

Under the leadership of Ronald Kirman Bloxton and sponsored by Mrs. Gertrude Williams, this fine group of juniors has been working hard for many months. Five additional juniors were presented with a number of Vocational Honor Certificates. Thirty-two Vocational Honor Certificates were distributed during the evening.

It is very cheering to see more and more of our Missionary Volunteer societies taking an interest in the Progressive Class work. We greatly appreciate the help of our older church members and our ministers like Brother Richard Harris at Hopewell who encourage our boys and girls in these splendid activities.

WARREN N. WITTENBERG

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On Giving Gifts

YES, I am going to talk about giving gifts during this gift-giving season to the greatest Giver of all gifts. It is only reasonable that we take an inventory at the end of the year and count the many gifts we have received from the greatest Giver.

Most of us have had a good degree of health, and surely in this country of plenty we have had no want of food nor clothing. We are privileged to live in comfortable homes. To us has been revealed the greatest truth of all ages.

Why not recognize these wonderful blessings and bring a real gift to the Giver of all gifts this coming Thirteenth Sabbath in your Sabbath school? The hospital in Belém will stand in years to come, if time should last, as a monument of our gifts to the Lord this last quarter of the year. Shall we do it? We know you will.

A. F. RUF

Sabbath School Secretary, East Pennsylvania Conference

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(A Questionnaire)

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A. F. RUF

News Notes

MR. and Mrs. Edgar Bradley and Shirley spent the Thanksgiving week end in Orlando, Fla. On Thanksgiving Day they attended the wedding of Brother Bradley's brother, Donald, who is assistant credit manager at the Orlando Sanitarium.

Elder and Mrs. P. T. Jackson and their little son have arrived in the field and are now located at Neshaminy which is centrally located in the new district comprising the Hatboro, Telford, and Orvilla Churches. We welcome Elder Jackson and his family to the Conference.

Elder Patzer made a trip through the northern part of the State this past week and visited the schools at Danville, Williamsport, Nauvoo, and Tunkhannock. He reports that the work is going nicely in each school. Saturday night he showed the pictures that were taken during the junior camp this summer to the Master Comrade Club in Lancaster. During the previous week he met with the Norristown Home and School Association.

Elder T. E. Unruh returned to the office on November 17 after having spent ten days at the Autumn Council which convened in St. Louis, Mo. Elder Unruh reported a good meeting and indicated that the budget passed for 1950 is the largest in the denomination's history, approximating almost sixteen million dollars. A special appropriation of \$300,000 was made for Japan where at the present time the doors are wide open. A large work is to be undertaken there immediately. Elder Unruh left for a trip through the field on November 19. He visited Lancaster where he joined Elder Wernick, Elder Patzer, and the local board in a study of their educational plans; attended Brother I. H. Johnson's effort in Mt. Holly;

addressed the Ridgeville Parent-Teacher Association, and conferred with the workers in Wilkes-Barre and Scranton.

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Evangelism in Akron District

SABBATH, November 19, will long be remembered as a spiritual high day in the Akron Church, for it marked the grand climax of a wonderful Week of Prayer and also witnessed a most impressive baptismal service.

As the Holy Spirit drove home to hearts the soul-stirring appeal of the message, seven precious souls came forward to present themselves for baptism. Others, not yet of this faith, bore testimony that they desired to respond to the Master's call for a full surrender and a complete consecration. They, too, plan to follow in baptism at their first opportunity.

It was a most solemn occasion. There was scarcely a dry eye in the church. All seven of these candidates had taken or were completing the Bible correspondence course. One lady had come to the light of the third angel's message entirely through the Bible school.

Six of those baptized were added to the Akron Church and one joined the Ravenna Church. We rejoice with heaven to see that the Lord has added to the churches of the Akron district sixty-nine faithful souls as a reward for the evangelistic efforts of His people in cooperation with Elder Walter G. Gibson, pastor-evangelist, and Sister Marie Fulkerson, faithful Bible instructor.

Our most recent evangelistic campaign began shortly after the Ohio camp meeting closed. A tent was pitched in a most attractive setting on Route 18 in East Akron. Several Conference workers and a group of faithful lay brethren from the Akron Church labored tirelessly to prepare for these meetings.

Prayers were answered and our efforts were richly rewarded on the opening night, July 31, as we saw the 300 chairs filled and a large number standing by the back

wall of the tent. From the first night the Lord's presence was with us. The attendance held up well and a growing interest cheered our hearts.

For the first three weeks Brother D. S. Thurston was in charge of the music. His consecrated talent and willing service added great strength to the evangelistic program. When the Conference found it necessary to call him to serve as pastor of the Galion district, faithful laymen from the Akron Church stepped in to assist with the music.

Sister Marie Fulkerson efficiently organized the ushers and usherettes and those in charge of the book stands. Space will not permit us to express our gratitude to the loyal laymen and young people who gave out thousands of handbills, and assisted in so many ways to make this effort successful. With the arrival of cool fall weather, we moved the meetings into the Akron Church where they were recently concluded.

Fifteen precious souls have been baptized since this effort began, hundreds signed sermon request cards, and we have a list of between thirty and forty who are deeply interested and who are being given Bible studies. A good number of these should be in our

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next baptism before the year closes. We earnestly ask your prayers that these, too, may fully take their stand and unite fully God's remnant people.

W. G. GIBSON

Pastor-evangelist, Akron district

CHESAPEAKE

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Adventist Exhibit at Maryland Teachers' Convention

"OH, look over there. 'STOP—LOOK—at Listen.' What is that?" The two teachers soon find out as a lady with a pleasant smile hands both a copy of *Listen* with the explanation that "this is our latest temperance journal—America's finest, so says Mr. Homer Rodeheaver." People file past in twos, threes, and tens, and our ladies are kept busy handing out magazines right and left.

All this happened at the time of the Maryland State Teachers' Association convention in the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore October 20-22. The American Temperance Society of the Chesapeake Conference rented an exhibit booth among 199 others. The sign, "STOP—LOOK—at Listen," attracted attention even before people reached our booth. Eight thousand, five hundred teachers and educators were delegates. Many more came as visitors and curious onlookers.

The 200 booths included exhibits of scores of book, magazine, and school supplies publishers and manufacturers, office equipment, the cancer society, the Red Cross, machinery, paper, cap and gown company, Motion Picture Service, Gas and Electric Company, Esso, Pan American World Airways, and the U. S. Navy recruiting agency.

On Thursday and Friday we distributed 2,000 copies of *Listen*, 1,400 copies of the Temperance *Signs of the Times*, 500 copies of the temperance edition of *Our Little Friend*, and 1,400 copies of the "Temperance Bulletin." One thousand American Temperance Society membership envelopes were inserted in the magazines given away. A large sign at the top in the back of the booth identified the American Temperance Society as being a subsidiary of Seventh-day Adventists. Many teachers stopped to talk about the temperance issue. All were well impressed, and several asked for extra copies to give to friends.

Jack Circle, one of our Baltimore Missionary Volunteers, painted the sign for us. Those who served at the booth were Mrs. Edna Liedtke, our Conference nurse; Mrs. Beulah Houck and Mrs. Bertha Barber on Thursday; and Mrs. Houck and Mrs. Barber on Friday. Brother and Sister Lilley of the Book and Bible House arranged an attractive display of books and games on Friday. Although their sales did not amount to a large figure, they distributed hundreds of leaflets, advertising our denominational literature.

Our booth rental fee included the privilege of showing two tem-

perance films in the convention's "dark room" where a projector and an operator were provided. The accompanying picture portrays better than words what our booth looked like. Surely Seventh-day Adventists should let their light shine at every opportunity wherever great crowds of people are gathered together, such as state and county fairs, and conventions. H. E. VOORHEES

ALLEGHENY

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Year of Blessings

THE year is about to close and as we take inventory, so to speak, we note that it has been a blessed and eventful period.

Your loyalty, self-sacrifice, and Christian cooperation have made it possible for us to register continuous gains. All our departments are better staffed, administered, and synchronized than ever before. A renewed spirit of sharing the load has been caught and, best of all, consecration to the task has spelled out an increased measure of success.

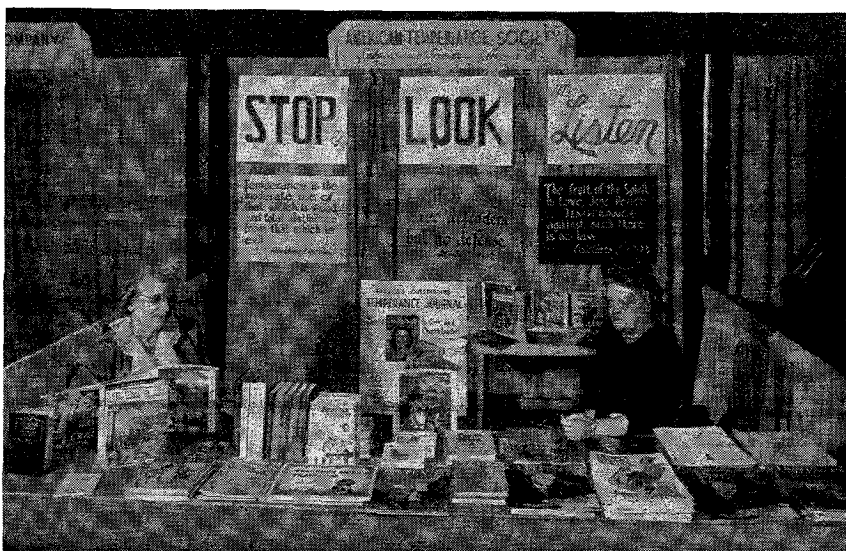
Evangelism, while not what we hoped, has not lagged and we are encouraged by the reports from the field.

Your tithes, mission offerings, Ingathering, Investment, and Week of Sacrifice have all pointed towards a more sincere and faithful application of stewardship for God.

There is room for much growth and greater self-denial as we press towards the end; but your unflagging fidelity will meet the issues as they arise, and together we shall soon go home.

Our immediate concern is a broadening of the pattern of soul winning throughout the Conference. Make faith-sharing your daily activity, and around the family altar may tender expressions of a burning desire for souls that are lost ascend on high.

On the eve of a new year, as your servant in office, may the writer assure you of the prayerful and reverent manner in which the program of the Conference is be-



ing executed and request your continued petitions for heaven's guidance.

J. H. WAGNER
President, Allegheny Conference

Pine Forge Church School

THE Pine Forge Church school has just moved into new quarters on the first floor of "Red Acres," a newly renovated apartment building for the Conference personnel, where eleven happy children in grades one, three, six, seven, and eight are now adequately housed. It was a glad occasion for the little school family when it was known that they would move from their cramped and crowded frame room to the spacious surroundings of "Red Acres."

Mrs. Jessie R. Wagner, principal and teacher of the school, has demonstrated her leadership in the rapid adjustment already made in their new home. Everyone has been put to work.

The Secretary-Treasurer, Elder M. S. Banfield, always interested in school problems, installed the

blackboards and constructed an ample bookcase.

Mrs. Hortense Robinson, Home and School Association leader, donated Venetian blinds for all the windows and has purchased a new record player and a set of records for the students' music appreciation. This is in addition to the \$100 recently donated to the furniture drive of Pine Forge Institute. A drinking fountain and wash bowl also add to the accommodations offered.

Through the courtesy of the Camden Church and school, a teacher's desk and desks for ten pupils have been secured.

Mrs. Wagner said, "Everyone has been so cooperative that we cannot help but do a better job. Our Home and School Association, the Pine Forge Church, and the Allegheny Conference have all combined their efforts in this project, and we are grateful."

Mrs. Hortense Robinson is the Home and School Association leader; Mrs. M. McGalliaris is the assistant leader; and Miss Gustavia Raymond is the secretary.

A. V. PINKNEY
Reporter, Allegheny Conference

Laymen in Action . . .

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Mrs. Troutmann read the texts and her husband gave the explanation. She substituted for his lost sight. Such coalescence is indeed unique.

This couple has found what joy accompanies the giving of the message in the homes of interested people, and are therefore seeking another home to enter. May God bless them and all who are steadfastly minded to press their way to the fireside of the unsaved.

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MARY E. WALSH

NEW JERSEY

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God might use you to help meet the pressing needs of that field through your special gift to Him. Can you spare \$2 on that day? Or \$5? Or maybe \$10? Or \$100? If we really gave the Lord our BEST gift at this holiday season, how much would it be?

Your answer will be given on December 24. Be sure to attend your Sabbath school on that day whether it rains, shines, hails, or snows. Both the giver of the gift, and the receiver will be greatly blessed. "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth." Will you try it?

KENNETH H. WOOD, JR.
Conference Sabbath School
Secretary

Washington Missionary College

"The Gateway to Service"

W. H. SHEPHARD, President

News Notes

THE class of 1950 recently completed its election of class officers. The president of the class is Richard Fearing of Glendale, Calif. Other officers include: vice-president, Priscilla Littlefield, Leicester, Mass.; secretary, Carol Carson, Miami, Florida; treasurer, Donovan Schutt, Poona, India; pastor, Vernon Harris, Caldwell, Idaho; and sergeant at arms, C. Martin Russ, Takoma Park, Md. Professor Nis Hansen, head of the department of physics, will be faculty sponsor for the class.

Christmas vacation will begin at noon Wednesday, December 21, and classes will be resumed on Tuesday, January 3.

The College band, under the direction of Clifton Cowles, presented a concert in Columbia Hall December 10.

An active and interesting organization on the campus is Colhecon,

the College Home Economics Club, sponsored by Miss Harriette Hanson, head of the department. The club officers are Grace Lindsay, president; Gladys Rieben, vice-president; Doris Roth, secretary; Joan Behringer, treasurer; Lizette Wenz, social secretary; and Jackie Parker, publicity secretary. The last meeting featured a French meal.

Five students and Professor W. F. Tarr, head of the department of speech and radio, presented Sabbath programs in Plainfield and New Brunswick, N. J., December 3. A secular program was given before the Plainfield Academy group in the evening. Students in the group were John Kroncke and Thomas Green, ministerial seniors; Johann Wong, violinist; Norma Koester, reader; and Mary Virginia Click, vocalist.

Several trips will be made by various student-faculty groups into the surrounding states in order that church members may become better acquainted with Washington Missionary College.

The College appreciates the opportunity of visiting the churches, and the hospitality which is shown visitors from the College.

BETTY LOU WILLIAMS

OBITUARIES

JONES: Elizabeth Parry, was born in Mold, Wales, December 6, 1862, and died at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital in Takoma Park, Md., October 14, 1949. Mrs. Jones came to this country in the early part of 1893, and in June of the same year she was married to William Jones of Leechburg, Pa. They lived in Leechburg until 1907, when Mr. Jones retired and came to Virginia and established his residence near Richmond, where they both lived until the death of her husband in 1929. She came to Takoma Park in 1947 to make her home with her step-son, William H. Jones. Mrs. Jones was a member of the Episcopal Church until she and her husband accepted the tenets of faith as taught by Seventh-day Adventists under the ministry of Pastor J. H. N. Tindall. She was a faithful member of the Richmond Seventh-day Adventist Church until recently when she transferred her membership to the Takoma Park Church. Mrs. Jones leaves to mourn their loss one step-son, William H. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer of the Potomac Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; one step-daughter, Mrs. Flora Mae Kerr; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a great host of friends. Funeral services were conducted at the Sutherland Funeral Home in Richmond, Va., by the writer, assisted by Elder E. F. Koch, pastor of the Richmond Seventh-day Adventist Church. Interment was in the Riverview Cemetery in Richmond. She sleeps in Jesus.

G. S. Rapp

COLPORTEUR EVANGELISM

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

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 2, 1949

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POTOMAC

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
C. H. Smith, P.S.			
Paul Lindsay	45	107.70	81.85
M. A. Oliff	32	73.85	35.50
J. A. Soule	31	77.50	10.25
Ray Vincent	27	49.65	47.15
Mr. & Mrs. Campbell	24	148.75	35.00
Albert K. Nielsen	20	6.65	8.15
Mrs. P. M. Jenkins	18	28.50	70.40
Dorothy Gentry	13	28.25	15.75
Esther Trigger	10	25.05	8.60
Darlene Sampson	9	20.50	28.50
Orville Kierstead	9	13.00	13.00
W. H. Patsel	3	16.50	8.25
Magazine Group—Mrs. W. L. Bigelow			
Ruth Harrison	42	182.85	182.85
May Todd	36	77.35	83.35
Mrs. Bigelow	28	79.15	79.15
Mrs. Hall Self	24	56.00	56.00
Mr. & Mrs. A. Miller	15	20.65	29.90
Mrs. Robinson	14	31.00	31.00
Elsie Gelsinger	11	44.90	43.75
Edith Harrison	7	25.85	25.85
Mrs. B. E. Woods	6	15.75	15.75
Helen Ann Bigelow	4	10.00	10.00
C. A. Yarnell, Asst. P.S.			
Ray Clark	68	154.75	43.00
Bailey White	56	205.45	94.50
B. E. Wood	42	142.25	5.00
J. R. Clark	39	145.50	
Ted Henderson	37	135.25	
J. M. Anderson	36	156.50	34.55
Mrs. Courtney Wood	25	51.50	51.50
Mr. & Mrs. Hamrick	22	80.00	
Mrs. Thos. Lambdon	3	12.50	
J. G. Vasko, Asst. P.S.			
Walter H. Young	38	117.25	67.75
Margaret Hogan	33	179.30	124.30
A. H. Robertson	29	84.25	21.50
Eugene Palmer	26	145.75	131.75
J. E. Gould	26	71.65	36.60
Mrs. Carwile	26	16.50	9.00
Mrs. Geovannetti	20	22.00	26.00
Donald Morgan	12	28.40	23.05
Mrs. Vasko	11	25.90	25.90
Mrs. Tatem	3	38.30	2.30
Totals	980	2952.40	1616.70

ALLEGHENY

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
H. D. Warner, P.S.			
G. W. Anderson, Asst. P.S.			
George Finch	26	10.25	10.25
William Gray	20	12.30	12.30
Maggie Jackson	17	78.40	22.85
Chas. Thompkins	17	32.50	32.50
Sylvia Slagle	37	26.00	15.75
Sylvia Slagle	37	16.00	14.50
Chas. Thompkins	24	35.25	35.25
Willie Chestang	13	29.50	15.50
Gertrude Monroe	12	30.50	30.50
Ethel Mitchell	11	18.50	
E. D. Brantley, Asst. P.S.			
Charlie Key	42	68.25	68.25
Charlie Key	40	26.00	26.00
Akron Aux.	40	22.50	22.50
James Stewart	39	22.10	22.10
Lois Williams	38	140.50	1.75
Vera Jackson	35	60.00	60.00
Alice Collins	30	24.00	24.00
Esther Meadows	28	83.26	30.90
Cincinnati Aux.	25	30.00	30.00
Josephine Buckner	30	209.75	65.25
Albert Berrien	24	30.52	13.51
Mary Johnson	15	3.75	3.75
H. V. Howard	12	106.50	106.50
Jacqueline Johnson	12	3.75	3.75
Robert Armster	10	39.50	
J. R. Britt, Asst. P.S.			
Helen Pennewell	41	80.10	80.10
Ulysses Bracy	41	25.00	45.45
John A. Craig	30	142.00	13.25
J. E. Smith	28	68.00	36.25
Dorothy Bower	26	34.40	94.75
New Jersey Aux.	21	23.82	23.82
Philadelphia Aux.	18	23.60	23.60
Nancy Kitt	17	10.50	5.50
Mattie Harris	15	12.70	12.70
Ada B. Thomas	15	15.10	12.10
Part-time worker	13	14.86	22.61
Maude Fisher	10	33.30	19.80
Virgil Gibbons, Asst. P.S.			
Elizabeth Martin	63	56.50	7.75
E. E. Gavers	60		113.40
R. Rikardocole	53	343.00	
Baltimore Aux.	48	76.00	76.00
Elizabeth Martin	41	48.60	48.60
Julius Armstrong	40	112.00	73.20
Richmond Aux.	38	40.40	40.40
Sylvia Davis	38	173.70	35.40
Carrie Tidnell	37	86.81	30.06
Floyd Williams	35	41.25	34.00
M. A. Shorter	34	29.25	29.00
Annie Bannister	31	44.57	44.57
Mary Rogers	30	24.00	114.75
Luberta George	30	41.70	41.70
Mary Rogers	30	11.80	41.90
J. V. Russell	30	128.75	
Mary Whitehead	29	87.55	20.05
Lauraina Parker	25	223.30	54.40
Washington Aux.	20	68.00	68.00
Norfolk Aux.	20	38.00	38.00
Nancy Kitt	20	3.00	
Bessie McBroom	18	134.00	37.80
Luberta George	17	26.60	26.60
Blanche Russell	15	15.00	15.00
Martha Jones	13	18.75	18.75
Cornelia Wright	10	22.00	51.75
Ida W. Starkes	10	66.50	
Totals	1744	3603.99	2158.17

NEW JERSEY

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
M. V. Doran, P.S.			
G. W. Barnes	37	140.75	140.75
R. Durham	31	70.50	65.50
R. Durham	39	99.75	99.75
E. O. Glenz	38	136.20	165.20
C. Hager	29	25.50	29.75
B. DeLandmeter	17	18.25	8.00
D. McDermott	22	92.25	92.25
D. McDermott	35	114.00	114.00
W. Widmer	25	81.50	
Paul Voorhees	29	58.50	78.50
Totals	301	837.20	793.70

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
J. A. Jarry, P.S.			
J. Ledonne	44	185.30	155.60
Dee Trautmann	40	149.00	
C. A. Baumgartner	36	37.10	87.10
M. D. Hollenbaugh	36	77.25	27.75
Arthur Brandt	33	90.00	52.50
M. Klimosh	29	45.50	863.75
Mrs. H. Habig	23	56.00	164.50

EAST PENNSYLVANIA (Continued)

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
Mrs. P. Shirley	20		215.50
Mrs. V. Barcelow	16	53.00	
Harry Price, Jr.	10	11.20	11.20
Harriet M. Wise	9	18.75	18.75
Samuel Bange	6	14.00	2.00
Mrs. M. Burrows	3	2.00	43.50
L. H. Wagner, Asst. P.S.			
Mrs. F. Colyer	36	54.95	51.35
Paul Bernet	33	31.25	100.75
Anna Dietrich	31	107.20	72.05
Aquila Fegley	25	123.45	60.15
Mrs. L. Wagner	20	135.75	135.75
Jane Steward	18	61.75	196.50
Mrs. S. Fleisher	11	22.30	16.20
Edward K. Hart	10	8.25	4.95
Daniel Becker	6	11.50	29.00
Mrs. Chas. Getz	5	8.00	8.00
F. B. Underhill	5	8.10	8.10
Totals	505	1361.60	1824.95

CHESAPEAKE

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
R. D. McGann, Sr., P.S.			
Mary Johnson	30	70.00	70.00
E. G. White	27	56.75	2.50
B. Barber	23	137.50	137.50
M. McGann	19	90.50	95.75
Mrs. A. Stafford	12	40.50	17.50
A. C. Mack	15	50.00	50.00
Mrs. E. Clark	14	36.75	12.00
B. Barber	8	75.00	75.00
E. Hartle	6	24.00	2.00
D. H. Conner	6	.85	7.85
C. W. Lettau	6	24.75	8.25
Clyde Trith	5	40.50	40.50
S. Studley	5	36.50	36.50
R. G. Wynn	5	29.95	29.95
Mrs. E. Elliott	5	9.50	9.50
Mrs. H. Moore	4	8.50	8.50
W. R. Neall	2	5.00	5.00
Totals	191	736.55	608.30

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
J. H. Creighton, P.S.			
Harry Sparks	38	113.25	97.00
Emma Hershelman	33	52.00	130.00
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Dan Doherty	30	89.25	2.50
J. H. Creighton	20	90.00	90.00
Alice Robinson	14	6.75	8.75
Harry Sparks	10	9.50	37.25
Flora Carpenter	7	12.50	12.50
Clara Clark	6	32.00	18.25
George Buttermore	5		52.75
Irene Smith	3	23.50	
Pgh. Mag. Group	1	14.00	14.00
Pearl Keeler	1		5.00
Theodore Green			115.70
Totals	199	558.75	583.70

WEST VIRGINIA

NAME	HRS.	ORD.	DEL'D
A. L. Fare, P.S.			
Carl E. Calfee	40	87.75	
Mrs. R. E. Dakin	38	87.30	83.35
J. F. Seeley	36	70.25	70.25
Jas. L. Long	29	75.00	8.25
J. F. Seeley	15	30.50	30.50
J. F. Seeley	12	5.50	33.70
Mrs. Louise Pruett	11	47.50	25.00
Miss Ica Monroe	11	12.00	32.15
Mrs. A. C. Sheets	11		7.25
Part-time worker	1		
Totals	193	415.80	290.45
UNION TOTALS	4930	12272.63	10028.55

SUNSET CALENDAR

	DEC. 23	DEC. 30
Baltimore, Md.	4:48	4:53
Cleveland, Ohio	5:04	5:09
Columbus, Ohio	5:09	5:14
Cumberland, Md.	4:57	5:02
Parkersburg, W. Va.	4:57	5:02
Philadelphia, Pa.	4:41	4:46
Pittsburgh, Pa.	4:57	5:02
Richmond, Va.	4:56	5:01
Scranton, Pa.	4:40	4:45
Toledo, Ohio	5:11	5:16
Trenton, N. J.	4:37	4:42
Washington, D. C.	4:50	4:55

NEW JERSEY

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

A Thought for the Holidays

"THERE is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty. The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." Proverbs 11:24, 25 (italics supplied).

"By its necessities a ruined world is drawing forth from us talents of means and influence, to present to men and women the truth, of which they are in perishing need. As we heed these calls, by labor and by acts of benevolence, we are assimilated to the image of Him who for our sakes became poor. In bestowing, we bless others, and thus accumulate true riches.

"The gift of Christ reveals the Father's heart. It testifies that, having undertaken our redemption, He will spare nothing, however dear, which is necessary to the completion of His work. . . . The spirit of liberality is the spirit of heaven. Christ's self-sacrificing love is revealed upon the cross. That man might be saved, He gave all that He had, and then gave Himself. The cross of Christ appeals to the benevolence of every follower of the blessed Saviour. The principle there illustrated is to give, give. *This carried out in actual benevolence and good works, is the true fruit of the Christian life.* The principle of worldlings is to get, get, and thus they expect to secure happiness; but, carried out in all its bearings, the fruit is misery and death.

"The light of the gospel shining from the cross of Christ rebukes selfishness, and encourages liberality and benevolence. It should not be a lamented fact that there are increasing calls to give. God in His providence is calling His people out from their limited sphere of action, to enter upon greater enterprises. Unlimited effort is demanded at this time when moral darkness is covering the world. Many of God's people are in danger of being ensnared by worldliness and covetousness. *They should understand that it is His*

mercy that multiplies the demands for their means. Objects that call benevolence into action must be placed before them, or they can not pattern after the character of the great Exemplar."—*Testimonies*, Vol. IX, pp. 253-255 (italics supplied).

It is not often that we think of mission giving from the point of view given in the preceding inspired passages. How seldom we think of it as something WE need in order to enter into Christ's spirit and emulate His character. Yet this it true.

The world is engaged in a mad orgy of selfish giving at this time of the year. But how little will the needs of Christ's cause be alleviated by the gifts given. By way of contrast, we as God's people can show that the gift of Christ to us was not made in vain, and that we shall give Him our BEST GIFT at the holiday season.

December 24 is Thirteenth Sabbath. With anxious hearts our missionaries in South America are looking to you and praying that
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WEST PENNSYLVANIA

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Construction of Port Allegany Church

THE members of the Port Allegany Church, who for many years have met in the "union" church at Grimes, outside of Port Allegany a few miles, are going to have a sanctuary of their own in which to worship the Lord. For many years they have talked and dreamed of a church, and in the not too distant future this dream will be a reality if they continue their faithful work and the Lord continues His blessing.

Four years ago some of the men went into the woods and cut 12,000 feet of lumber in preparation for this operation. Elder S. R. Jayne with Brother John Keeler spent some time in looking for a lot. When deciding upon one they went to the owner, and he gave them the lot. Some felt that we should have more room, so they purchased the adjoining lot.

Last spring when the church

voted to go ahead with the building program it was with fear and trembling. The undertaking looked too big for the small company to carry, especially from a financial standpoint.

We had to wait for a while until we received the approval of the Conference and the Union to go ahead with the project. The basement was dug before camp meeting and nothing else was done until September 2. Today the building is almost closed in. We thank the Lord for the progress.

One experience I want to share with you. Shortly after we had dug the basement, "Pop" Pfeil, as everyone calls him, who is one of the leading citizens, asked Brother Donald Keeler if we had solicited any money yet. Brother Keeler told him that we hadn't. "Pop" said to him, "Come around and see me before you do. I have some ideas." Mr. Pfeil has conducted the Red Cross and other drives for funds.

Brother John Keeler and I went to see him. His idea, briefly, was to divide the church into three bands and divide the territory. Then he suggested that we meet at his camp or summer home for an organizational supper and that he would show some appropriate moving picture. We felt that his influence would be worth a great deal. So we accepted his invitation. He also volunteered to write the notices for the weekly newspaper.

After the supper, the bands were announced. We called the bands by colors—blue, silver, and gold. "Pop" then briefly told the church the plan, saying that for each dollar a point would be given to the band. He concluded by saying, "I will give each band twenty-five points to start." He also called the heads of the companies in town, to prepare the way.

At the end of three weeks, with solicitation being done only about two weeks of the time, the church raised over \$1200. Since then some more has come in, bringing the total to over \$1400. We still have many promises. We thank the Lord for His help.

We are going to have a victory supper at the camp, at which time we are going to give to Mr. and Mrs. Pfeil *The Great Controversy* and *Desire of Ages*, respectively, with their names in gold. I hope and pray that they will see the truth.
R. M. SPENCER, JR.