

OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

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LLION For World Missions First Time Any Union Conference Has Raised \$1,000,000 in One Ingathering Campaign!

Mighty Evangelistic Witness Through "Faith for Today"

By J. O. Iversen
Associate Secretary, Radio-TV Department, General Conference

It was an exciting Sunday as I visited in the home of a friend who owned a television set. The occasion-Faith for Today had just added a Chicago station to its other outlets-a very limited network, indeed, approximately nine stations. The year was 1950. Television was just getting started. Everyone was excited about "the tube." The technical miracle of hurling an image and a message through space was enough of a phenomenon. But the challenge and thought of projecting the everlasting gospel by television was even more thrilling. I sat absorbed, watching the program from start to finish. Little did I realize how Faith for Today would grow.

Today 91 per cent of American homes have at least one TV set. Television reaches the ends of the earth.

This year Faith for Today celebrates its 15th anniversary. Yet, is this such a wonder after all? It was Gamaliel of old who, when speaking of the work of the early church, said, "for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought: But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it."

Certainly Faith for Today's ministry is a work of God to have endured through the changing times and varying formats from the extension of only nine stations in its first year to 225 at the current time.

From a handful of those who enrolled in its Bible correspondence course the first year more than 176.-500 applications were received in 1964 alone. Whereas only a few diplomas were awarded to those who completed the course in 1950, more than 9,000 diplomas were given in 1964. Today there are 100,000 current names of viewers and students in the files. Whereas only a few were baptized as the fruitage of the first year's telecast ministry, more than 2,000 baptisms were reported in 1964. More people were baptized in the first nine months of last year than in the entire 12 months of 1963.

Faith for Today is no longer just a North American evangelistic endeavor. It is one of the most successful means of evangelism in some of the larger areas in Australia. The program also is making its impact in Bermuda and Guam, in Brazil and Korea, and throughout the Philippines and Puerto Rico, as well as Nigeria and Trinidad.



Whereas Faith for Today was originally housed in small and inadequate quarters with only a handful of people carrying on its operations, today the program's staff has been forced into larger quarters, with 80 consecrated, devoted, Seventh-day Adventist Christians employed. Faith for Today has become big business—the King's business.

But financial needs are great. More lessons are needed to take care of an increasing Bible school enrollment. Many materials are required,



Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Fagal have been telecasting for Faith for Today for the past 15 years. Along with the 80 Faith for Today staff workers, they will observe February 13, 1965, as a special day of fasting and prayer for the television ministry. Presently 15 of the top 50 television stations in the country have virtually excluded religious programming. This means that millions in large metropolitan areas can no longer be reached with the everlasting gospel through television. Viewing hours in other areas are as early as 6:00 and 6:30 A.M., when only a limited audience is reached. While millions are being reached at opportune times over major stations, there are still many who need to be contacted with the glad tidings of Christ's return. Please join Pastor and Mrs. Fagal, February 13, which is also Faith for Today offering day, in special fasting and prayer. Thousands of Seventh-day Adventists throughout the country will be doing this. Plan to give liberally that the \$400,000 offering goal will be reached, making it possible to take advantage of still-open doors in television evangelism.

and funds are limited. Producing films for television stations is costly. Studio and production costs alone come to approximately \$1,000 a day. Few operations in the world are more expensive than film production and television. There is an increasing number of stations that will take Faith for Today if films can be provided for them 52 weeks out of the year. But the budget is not sufficient for this.

In the past 12 months Faith for Today has made a greater evangelistic impact than ever before.

But how much longer will we have the privilege of telecasting Faith for Today? We do know that this is North America's year for advance. We need funds to carry on. Faith for Today has proven itself to be one of the most successful evangelistic endeavors.

Recognizing the shortness of time and the nearness of the end, the General Conference at the Autumn Council voted unanimously to ask church members to contribute an unprecedented offering of \$400,000 to Faith for Today in its 15th anniversary year. This is more than twice the amount that has ever been given in a Faith for Today offering.

Your help in contributing sacrificially to a \$400,000 offering will make it possible to: (1) Add 50 vital stations to Faith for Today's coverage, including 10 in concentrated population areas with millions of potential viewers. The 50 stations will cover many "dark" areas not presently reached by the television ministry. Funds are also necessary to maintain present network coverage. TV time is becoming increasingly expensive. (2) We want to launch a coast-to-coast visitation project. This will require money. (3) We need to cooperate in a major evangelistic advance, assisting pastors and evangelists in conducting Faith for Today "reaping" evangelism. But we have nothing set up in the budget for this endeavor.

Prior to February 13 let us pray earnestly that God will expand our vision and our giving so we can meet the needs, the challenge, and the unprecedented opportunity of this great hour for the North American evangelistic advance.



Kettering Hospital Accepted

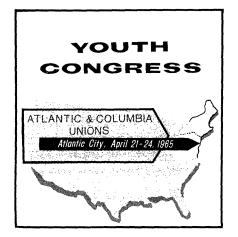
An increasing number of Dayton, Ohio, residents accept the Charles F. Kettering Memorial hospital as a distinctly Adventist institution and many request more information about the church, Albert E. Brendel, Jr., director of pastoral services, reports.

During November three influential Protestant church groups invited members of Elder Brendel's department to present the history and fundamental beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists. The largest of the three, some 50 ladies of Kettering's Christ Methodist Church, came to the hospital lecture auditorium to hear a one-hour dialogue on the unique features of Adventist theology. This session was conducted by Elder Brendel and Dr. Elvin C. Hedrick, director of medical education for the hospital. The other two groups are youth organizations who were addressed in their own sanctuaries by Elder Brendel and his associate, Dieter Hain.

"We answered many penetrating questions and heard a number of favorable comments," Elder Brendel relates. In each case an autographed copy of the book, The Seventh Day, was presented to the church officials along with reprints of Look magazine's article on Adventists published as part of the "Religion in America" series.

"The fact that requests to learn about the church come to our office shows that other Christian communions look upon the hospital as distinctly Adventist," said Elder Brendel. "To be confronted with such great opportunities for sharing our faith makes all of us feel very humble."

An equally favorable response is noted by patients and visitors attending the recently inaugurated worship services in the hospital's meditation



chapel. "Some of the patients respond in a manner deeply touching," he says, like the gentleman who volunteered, "I've never felt closer to God than I did this morning."

Books such as The Wider Circle, Steps to Christ, and Still Waters are generously distributed to patients and visitors.

Several Bible studies are in progress to follow up interest sparked by patient contact. One executive of a large Dayton industrial plant became so interested in reading Adventist literature and eating vegetarian food that he now subscribes to practically all church periodicals, including the Review and Herald, and makes frequent appearances in the hospital cafeteria during lunch hours.

Pastors of the Dayton-area Seventh-day Adventist churches are kept informed concerning specific interests so that follow-up efforts can be effectively co-ordinated, Elder Brendel said.

Columbia Union Literature Evangelists' Report

December Deliveries

Allegheny	\$ 15,394.11
Chesapeake	
New Jersey	11,183.89
Ohio	. 38,532.43
Pennsylvania	20,216.34
Potomas	38,122.03
West Virginia	. 14,177.01
UNION	\$150,855.14
CUMULATIVE\$	1,506,525.32

Missionary Report

Literature distributed	8,237
Bible school enrollments	2,340
New persons attend church	118
Former S.D.A.'s contacted	48
Prayers offered	2,824
Bible studies given	205
Baptisms	16

Literature Evangelists With **Highest Delivery Totals** Allegheny

David Hubbard	1,137.94			
E. Gavers	952.00			
Chesapeake				
Ralph Krum	2,785.50			
Harry Todd	1,665.00			
New Jersey				
Allen McCain	1,778.10			
C. Proctor	1,535.25			
Ohio				
Everett Roberts	2,347.97			
Yosh Takata	2,272.05			
Pennsylvania				
Elwood Meyers	2,084.17			
Raymond Forney	1,608.70			
Potomac				
Harry Sparks	3.316.50			

Darryl Council 2,297.00

West Virginia

William E. Ford 3,263.65

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Clarence Hoag

Warning to Young Men With Selective Service **Obligations!**

You will not want to be in the same predicament as another young man recently found himself. He was taking a short trip overseas when an order for his physical examination caught up with him. There are but few places overseas where our government is set up to give this examination, so this young man had to travel at great personal expense to fulfill his obligation.

This experience could have been avoided if he had asked his draft board for a permit to depart from the United States. There is also the possibility that immigration officers might detain a person who does not carry such a permit.

Why not play it safe? If you plan to take a trip-even a short onethat will take you outside the United States, contact your local board and ask for a permit. If the local board turns you down, you can ask the Director of Selective Service in Washington, D. C., or the State Director of Selective Service where you live.

The Selective Service System regulation reads as follows:

The Director of Selective Service, the State Director of Selective Service, or the local board may issue to a registrant a permit to depart from the continental United States, the State of Alaska, the State of Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, or the Canal Zone to any place which is not within any of those areas whenever the registrant's absence is not likely to interfere with the performance of his obligations under the Universal Military Training and Service Act, as amended. Such permit shall be issued by the completion of a Permit for Registrant to Depart from the United States (SSS Form No. 300).

Remember also that when you change your address you are required by law to notify your local draft board. In peacetime it may be easy to forget, but remember - it could be costly and uncomfortable.

J. R. Nelson

Director, General Conference National Service Organization

Philadelphia Council Report Scheduled Next Week

A PICTURE story of the Administrative-Departmental Council of the Columbia Union Conference will appear in the Visitor next week.

This meeting was held in January at the Hotel Sylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. All administrators, departmental secretaries, and their associates, all full-time evangelists, and a few pastors were in attendance.

This is the first time that such a meeting has been held in the Columbia Union Conference. Watch for the full story next week in the VISITOR! D. A. Roth

Public Relations Secretary, Columbia Union Conference





hesapeake

Ingathering Wins Souls

ROBERT MOORE, an employee of the Chrysler Motor Company and a lay member of the Kirkwood Church, believes in Ingathering. One experience during the caroling program gave him tangible evidence of the value of house-to-house solicitation.

It was December, 1963. The Wilmington, Del., churches had just completed a thrilling series of evangelistic meetings with the Holley-Speyer team. Mr. Moore and the other ingatherers were determined to watch for interested persons during this year's campaign. Bible school enrollment cards were carried by many solicitors. Each night enrollments were brought back along with the dollars for world missions.

One evening a young mother heard the carols, answered the door, and

Week of Prayer Baptisms



The climax of the week of revival and Mt. Aetna Week of Prayer came on Sabbath afternoon when Pastor Joe Ray baptized six youth and received two adults into the church on profession of faith. These meetings were held by Elder Harold Friesen and featured the youth of the district churches as a part of "Target 3,000." Forty-six individuals have been baptized in the Hagerstown district in 1964.



Mrs. Barbara Boyer of Wilmington, Del., had her first contact with Adventists when Robert Moore met her while Ingathering. She was baptized into the Kirkwood Church three months later.

cheerfully gave a few cents. She mentioned that she wished she could give more as she was interested in Adventist work, but right now they were in dire financial straits in their own family. Mr. Moore proceeded to offer the Bible course, but was told that she already had taken the Faith for Today lessons.

The next day he contacted Mary Stella, the director of the Greater Wilmington Welfare Center, and asked her to visit the home to determine if there was a real need. In a few days food and clothing were delivered to the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schmidt, who accepted the Adventist faith during the Holley-Speyer meetings, discovered that Mrs. Boyer lived just across the street from their home. They began giving weekly Bible studies to the Boyer family.

Soon Barbara Boyer and her three children were attending Sabbath services at the Kirkwood Church. When the Sauder-Melashenko evangelistic team came to Wilmington in March, Mrs. Boyer was present to hear the message. A new way of life was opening before her. She was

among those to respond at the first altar call.

In April Mrs. Boyer was baptized by the pastor into the fellowship of the Kirkwood Church. The contact, made three months previously by a layman out Ingathering on a cold December night, had come to fruition.

Coming Next



"When we have entire, wholehearted consecration into the service of Christ, God will recognize the fact by an outpouring of His Spirit without measure; but this will not be while the largest portion of the church are not laborers together with God."—"Christian Service," p. 253.

"One Thousand Chesapeake Laymen" Rallies!

34 Soul-Winning Rallies Conducted by Laymen for Laymen

Mon.	Feb.	1	Providence	7:17 P.M.
Tues.	Feb.	2	Westminster	7:17 P.M.
Wed.	Feb.	3	Dundalk	7:17 P.M.
Thurs.	Feb.	4	Martinsburg	7:17 P.M.
Fri.	Feb.	5	Cambridge	7:17 P.M.
Sat.	Feb.	6	Federalsburg	7:17 P.M.
Sun.	Feb.	7	Mt. Aetna	7:17 P.M.
Mon.	Feb.	8	Essex	7:17 P.M.
Tues.	Feb.	9	Grasonville	7:17 P.M.
Wed.	Feb.	10	Rock Hall	7:17 P.M.
Thurs.	Feb.	11	Rising Sun	7:17 P.M.
Fri.	Feb.	12	Blythedale	7:17 P.M.
Sat.	Feb.	13	Waldorf	3:17 P.M.
			(Prince Fred	
Sun.	Feb.	14	Breeklyn	7:17 P.M.
Mon.	Feb.	15	Glen Burnie	7:17 P.M.
Tues.	Feb.	16	Atholton	7:17 P.M.
Wed.	Feb.	17	Laurel	7:17 P.M.
Thurs.	Feb.	18	Parkville	7:17 P.M.
			(Wilna)	
Fri.	Feb.	19	Harrington	7:17 P.M.
Sat.	Feb.	20	Forest Grove	3:17 P.M.
Sat.	Feb.		Dover	7:17 P.M.
Sun.	Feb.	21	Reisterstown	7:17 P.M.
Mon.	Feb.	22	Wilmington	7:17 P.M.
Tues.	Feb.		Chestertown	7:17 P.M.
Wed.	Feb.	24	. Hagerstown	7:17 P.M.
Thurs.	Feb.	25	Kirkwood	7:17 P.M.
Fri.	Feb.	26	Annapolis	7:17 P.M.
Sat.	Feb.		Charles Town	3:17 P.M.
Sat.	Feb.	27	Baltimore	7:17 P.M.
Sun.	Feb.	28	Spencerville	7:17 P.M.



Twenty-four young people from Spencerville Junior Academy joined the baptismal class at the end of the Autumn Week of Prayer conducted by Elder Harold Friesen. The first baptism was held on Sabbath, January 9. More than 130 youth were baptized in the Chesapeake Conference in 1964 through "Target 3,000," weeks of prayer, and evangelism by teachers and pastors.

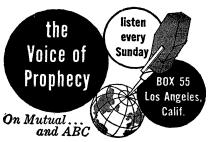
Published weekly by the Columbia Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventisits, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. 20012. Printed at the Washington College Press. Price, \$2 a year in advance. Second-class postage paid at Washington, D. C. Throughout the cities and towns of the Chesapeake Conference there are men and women waiting to be gathered into the remnant church. House-to-house Ingathering discovers these jewels for God's kingdom.

Gale Gabbert

Public Relations Secretary

CRISIS-HOUR EVANGELISM

- Four more evangelistic meetings have now been scheduled for the Chesapeake Conference, bringing the total planned between now and camp meeting to 36.
- Chesapeake Conference ministers are planning an evangelistic sermon and appeal twice every quarter in each church at the regular Sabbath-morning worship service. In addition, most district pastors plan a baptismal service monthly.
- Elder J. R. Spangler, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Department, will be conducting a short series of evangelistic meetings in the Baltimore First Church in the late spring or early summer of this year. We feel especially blessed in securing the services of Elder Spangler, and we are certain that God will give him special success in this series.
- Elder Gerald Williams, Assistant Administrator of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, has volunteered to conduct an evangelistic "reaping" meeting in Glen Burnie in March. We thank God for administrators who will take time from their busy schedules for public evangelism. Please remember Elder Williams and these meetings in your prayers.
- Coming to Frederick, Md., in the spring for an evangelistic "reaping" series will be Elder Leslie Hardinge of the Department of Religion of Columbia Union College. The Frederick congregation, under the able leadership of Pastor Floyd Krause, has pledged strong support to the spring evangelistic program. Elder Hardinge is an able evangelist and we anticipate a fine harvest of souls for Christ.



Pine Forge Institute Carol Singers



Photo by D. B. Simons

Academy girls from Kimbrough Hall at Pine Forge Institute sang Christmas carols for Allegheny Conference staff members as a parting gesture of joy and good will before departing for the recent Christmas vacation. In company with Lela Thomas, their new dean, Kimbrough Hall girls visited workers' cottages in the academy community at nightfall and filled the air with joyous carols. As they sang at one residence they were greeted at the door by the flash of a camera, and the accompanying photograph caught their radiance.—D. B. Simons, Public Relations Secretary, Allegheny Conference.



Allegheny Staff Members Attend Union Council

ELDER W. L. Cheatham, President, and Elder W. A. Thompson, Secretary-Treasurer, officers of the Allegheny Conference, and the entire departmental staff were participants in the combined departmental and administrative council of the Columbia Union Conference held in Philadelphia, January 4-9.

Meetings were under the general direction of Elder Neal Wilson, President of the Columbia Union Conference, and the Union Conference departmental staff conducted separate meetings for the various departments. General assemblies of the entire group were convened once each day. Meetings were held in the Sylvania Hotel and found expression in the council theme, "To Know Him—to Make Him Known."

Elder L. E. Froom conducted a series of lectures, entitled "From Whisper to Loud Cry." These devotionals traced the history of the advent movement from its inception through the struggles of its formative years, past the consolidation and unity of the 1888 conference, to the challenge of a finished work on earth. Workers were strengthened and inspired.

A spirit of unity and brotherhood characterized the association of workers during the week together. Especially was this evident at the Friday-night communion services. Elder Wilson gave a spirit-filled message.

After a testimony period, the ordinance of humility was conducted with general participation. Holy communion was significant and heartfelt as workers mentally visualized the atonement and the second coming of Christ.

On Sabbath morning Elder C. C. Weis, Union Conference Sabbath School Secretary, directed the Sabbath School service; Elder C. D. Brooks, Union Conference revivalist, taught the Sabbath School lesson; and Elder G. R. Nash, General Conference Sabbath School Secretary, presented the mission appeal.

The meetings came to a climax on Sabbath morning with a mighty message by North American Division President, Elder Theodore Carcich, as he challenged workers to discipline and prepare themselves and others for association in "God's Great Society." He appealed that we "exercise ourselves unto godliness."

On Sabbath afternoon the Ebenezer Church choir of Philadelphia, under the capable direction of Mrs. Gwendolyn Winston-Foster, stirred the assembly with a concert of moving musical renditions.

As the meetings closed, Elder Carcich's parting words were heard at the Sabbath-evening vesper service, and workers reluctantly parted with renewed enthusiasm to live and labor to hasten our Lord's return.

DONALD B. SIMONS

Public Relations Director

Conference Marks Great Ingathering Achievement

THE Allegheny Conference has rocketed to an all-time high mark in its recent 1965 Ingathering performance, accumulating a total of \$138,-430.50 before the close of 1964!

Allegheny became the first conference in Columbia Union Conference history to exceed \$100,000 on the first report, then became the first victory conference as it raced through to the \$125,000 goal on the third week's report! Thirty-one churches, including our largest churches, registered victory on the first report, and 11 more joined the victory parade on the second report. By the sixth week's report, the total stood at \$138,430.50—a gain of \$13,-430.50 over the same period a year ago.

It is inspirational to note that, in its 21 Ingathering campaigns conducted since its organization in 1944, the Allegheny Conference has raised a grand Ingathering total of \$1,709,180.62, or a yearly average of \$81,389.55.

A combination of good weather, an early start, strong and determined pastoral leadership, a loyal hardworking team of church officers and members in our churches, and the mighty blessings of God, has resulted in Allegheny's greatest and shortest Ingathering year. It is truly cause for thanksgiving and renewed courage and confidence in the work of God. This performance also suggests the growing spiritual tone of our church members as they apply their energies for a finished world work.

Donald B. Simons

Home Missionary Secretary



Think Big

WE are generally admonished to "think big." In a Volkswagen dealer's office recently I noticed that he had very diminutive packets of matches for his guests. Each packet contained about eight matches. On one side was printed the name and address and telephone number of the dealer and on the other side, a picture of a Volkswagen with the caption, "Think Small."

When it comes to our Sabbath Schools, whether they be in the Volkswagen or Cadillac category, our leaders have challenged us to "think big." From the Autumn Council we have the following action:



Apollo-New Kensington Church.

"In view of the blessings of the Lord upon His people and the opportunities for advance, even in difficult times, it was VOTED,

"We undertake to increase our Sabbath School offerings by 50 per cent in 1965 and encourage all of our people to join us in this action."

When we realize how wonderfully God has blessed and prospered us, we cannot help being challenged with this sort of leadership. As Sabbath School members and officers, we need to think bigger than ever before.

In the latest tabulation that I have before me for the North American Division, it is gratifying to notice that 52.7 per cent of the total world mission offerings comes through our Sabbath Schools. When we read in the *Review and Herald* and in our other journals the opportunities that are ours today, we can understand a little better why our leaders have challenged us to "think big" and to double our giving through the Sabbath School in 1965.

Let us unitedly pray, plan, and work to do our very best for Him who did so much for us.

J. A. Тоор

Sabbath School Secretary, Pennsylvania Conference

Apollo-New Kensington Church Almost Completed

IT was a "high" day last fall when the 37 members of the Apollo-New Kensington Church witnessed the construction of their new church. building. The exterior (pictured above) was completed December 15 and the brick work and interior are to be finished as soon as possible.

The children of Israel were privileged to have Moses direct the building of the sanctuary in the wilderness. We, too, are privileged to have one of our members, Moses

Sosigian, direct our building program—a task which cannot be taken lightly.

The new church presents to our people a new experience and challenge as we plan to start a small welfare center in the basement. We know God will bless.

R. A. West

Pastor

Bible Presented to Beaver Falls Member



Elder Noble Shepherd presents a Bible to the lay elder of the Beaver Falls Church, J. J. Betke, in appreciation for Mr. Betke's contribution of \$1,000 from his business for the 1964 Ingathering campaign. Mr. Betke is a plumbing and heating contractor in Beaver County, Pa. This \$1,000 gift raised the district Ingathering total to well over \$5,000, the highest in the history of the district.—N. K. Shepherd, Pastor, Sharon district.





Conference Publishing Department Expands

RECENTLY David White, who has faithfully served as Assistant Publishing Secretary of the Potomac Conference for the past two years, requested permission to return to school for further training.





Darryl Council

Harold Fred Otis

The Conference Committee was happy to cooperate with Mr. White's request and he will be entering his new program of school work at the beginning of 1965.

This change in leadership has called for a study of the future development of the publishing work in the Potomac Conference. The executive committee, in session on December 7, voted to adopt a new financing plan for the Publishing Department and to add two new full-time workers to the literature ministry as Assistant Publishing Secretaries for the Conference.

The committee chose from its own literature evangelist ranks Darryl Council of Roanoke, Va., to replace David White. Mr. Council has been a very successful literature evangelist and has had a most successful year during 1964.

A veteran of World War II, Mr. Council attended school at Chapel Hill, N. C., and the University of North Carolina. He has served as a literature evangelist in the Carolina Conference and as a pressman at the Washington College Press. In 1964 he became a literature evangelist in the Potomac Conference where he has worked since. He is married to the former Ellen Anna Widner. They have two children: Llona Mae, 10, and Jo Ellen, seven. Mrs. Council is employed by the Roanoke Church school.

Mr. Council already has assumed his new role as a literature evangelist leader and will now be busily engaged in working with full- and part-time literature evangelists of the Roanoke and southern Virginia area.

Harold Fred Otis, Jr., of Berrien

Church Officers' Councils

FEBRUARY

Sabbath Afternoons, 3:03 to 6:06 P.M.

Early in 1965 the Potomac Conference leaders are anxious to meet with all persons holding church office in the Seventh-day Adventist churches of our field. In order to do this, eight different locations have been chosen where these meetings can be held and are, at the present time, under way. We wish to stress anew the importance of every church worker's attendance at these meetings to receive instruction and direction from those who have charge and oversight of these various departments.

DATES FOR FUTURE OFFICERS'
COUNCILS

February 6—Arlington February 13—Roanoke February 20—Wytheville February 27—New Market

Springs, Mich., also has accepted the call of the Potomac Conference to unite with the Publishing Department as an Assistant Secretary.

Currently a student at Andrews University, Mr. Otis has a remarkable background of success in the literature ministry since 1955. He has worked in the Michigan and Indiana Conferences. He served from 1963 and 1964 as Assistant Publishing Secretary in the Indiana Conference. He has been among the top students of his class and is vicepresident of the 1964-1965 senior class at Andrews University. He has held various offices in campus activities and currently is serving as student pastor of the Allegan, Mich., Church.

Mr. Otis has accepted our invitation and will be uniting with the publishing program of the Conference in June, 1965.

We welcome Mr. Council and Mr. Otis to the growing corps of literature workers.

Total sales for 1964 will exceed \$300,000. The literature ministry for the Potomac Conference is directed by Kenneth O'Guin.

Sligo School Missionary Projects Aid Families

DANIEL BURROW'S sixth-grade class at Sligo Elementary School is to be commended for active participation in a local missionary project. The class has "adopted" two neighborhood families who have been experiencing economic reverses because the fathers in both families have been out of work for a considerable length of time owing to injuries. The class has decided to supply the following for each of the families: gifts for the children and parents; clothes for the children according to need; canned goods and non-perishable foods; monetary donations for perishable foods for baskets; and gifts of physical aid and friendship.

Mrs. Ida Mae Baerg's fourth grade also adopted a family consisting of a young mother and three small boys. The class provided three bags of good clothing, a box of nearly new toys for the boys and, in addition, a large food basket was added to these gifts. The children really enjoyed sharing with their adopted family.

How wonderfully well these projects fall in line with Scripture: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren,

Combined Choirs in Christmas Cantata



It is said that music has no international barrier. At the Pennsylvania Avenue Church in Washington, D. C., this Christmas, music had no denominational barriers. Members of the nearby Baptist church and the Methodist church joined the Seventh-day Adventists for the "Christ Child Cantata." The cantata was given in two of the Seventh-day Adventist churches on December 12 and December 18. The choir director is Edward A. Carey.—Mildred H. Terry, Press Secretary, Pennsylvania Avenue Church.



Sligo School Christmas tree decorated with 12 stockings containing a total of \$316.61 for foreign missions projects.



Dan Burrow and a few members of his sixthgrade class, showing some of the gifts for their neighborhood project.

ye have done it unto Me." Truly the way to man's spiritual needs is through the satisfaction of the physical needs. May God pour out many blessings for this wonderful home missionary project.

Instead of exchanging gifts, the pupils of Sligo School are supporting two foreign missions projects. The Goodwin family in Burundi, Africa, needs \$125 for a native school—imagine, a school for only \$125. Incredible, isn't it!

The other project is the support of an orphanage in Heliopolis, Egypt. The appeal comes from Mrs. Kruger, our missionary in Egypt.

Each classroom filled red stockings with money which the children presented at the annual Christmas party. A total of \$316.61 was received from the children of Sligo School.

May God bless the children's efforts as well as the work of these wonderful missionaries.

ROBERT B. CLÄRK, SR. Principal, Sligo Elementary School



est Virginia

West Virginia Conference Has Done It Again!

Some 45 years ago the West Virginia Conference set a world record in the colporteur field with total sales of books amounting to \$75,000 for one year. J. H. McHenry, a retired layman and now a Conference Committee member, was

Publishing Secretary of the West Virginia Conference when his literature evangelists established this all-time high record in 1920.

It was not until 1962 that the West Virginia Conference literature evangelists were able to exceed the record. Under the leadership of L. A. Bierlien, Conference Publishing Secretary, the total sales amounted to \$75,267.24.

Then in 1964 all records were broken again when George Rogers, Publishing Department Secretary, along with his faithful literature



At the recent meeting of the West Virginia Conference ministers and their wives a number of items were profitably discussed together and certain long-range plans were developed for 1965.

As the accompanying picture indicates, seven very important items were revealed by the office staff as points of emphasis for 1965 in the West Virginia Conference.

These adopted seven significant points will strengthen our conference and give every member an opportunity for participation. We urge each member to participate enthusiastically so that each point will become a reality.

Thank you for your continued wholesome support and eagerness to develop and advance the work in the West Virginia Conference.

A. J. Patzer, President

COMING

To Parkersburg—February 5-6

MOUNT VERNON ACADEMY BAND ENSEMBLE and GYMNASTIC TEAM

FRIDAY, February 5—7:30 P.M.—YOUTH MEETING, Parkersburg Church. SABBATH, February 6—9:30-12:00—Mount Vernon youth conduct Sabbath School and worship service.

SATURDAY NIGHT—Band Ensemble Concert and Tumbling Exhibition, Fellowship Hall of First United Presbyterian Church, 1341 Juliana Street.

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R. H. Shepard, Pastor

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FEBRUARY 12-13

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An Outstanding Series on Science and the Bible

Beginning Friday, February 12, 7:30 P.M.

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O. E. Klein, Pastor



Elder A. J. Patzer, President of the West Virginia Conference, talks to George Rogers and J. H. McHenry about the colporteur sales records set in 1920 and exceeded in 1964. Mr. McHenry holds a modern copy of the book, Bible Readings for the Home, which was used to establish the first record. Mr. Rogers is holding the book, Your Bible and You, with which his literature evangelists were able to surpass all former records.

evangelists, delivered with the blessing of God, \$86,839.11 worth of gospel literature.

Some of our literature evangelists sold as much as \$1,000 worth a week. Some averaged \$7.50 an hour. Yes, it can be done and is being done in the West Virginia Conference.



Importance of Children To Church Emphasized

THE important part children can have in the affairs of the church has been proven once more in a very outstanding way in the Cape May Court House Church.

More than one-half of the Investment total for 1964 was raised by the Primary and Kindergarten Departments of the Sabbath School this past year. The children presented their offering to the church in a very special way. A strip of paper as long as the four walls and down each center aisle of the church

was covered with one-dollar bills. The children unrolled this strip of paper and held it up for display during the Investment program given in the church. Their total offering amounted to \$205.

The children in the church are making a splendid contribution to the cause of God, and our prayer is that they may continue to be faithful in service to Him.

MRS. ELLEN MURDOCK
Press Secretary, Cape May
Court House Church



Kindergarten and Primary boys and girls in the Cape May Court House Church showing their Investment project in one-dollar bills.

Book and Bible House Sales Increase

At this time the New Jersey Book and Bible House wishes to say a hearty "thank you" for the increased sales that we are enjoying as we prepare to make up our final statement for 1964.

It made our hearts warm to have you come in during the holiday season to spend some time in the Bible House, and we want you to feel that you are welcome to come and browse at any time. The Bible House will be open the last Sunday of each month until further notice. The hours will be 10:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

If we truly believe that we are living in the final moments of earth's history, we shall want to see that our homes are filled with the very best of materials for our spiritual nourishment.

The money that you spend in buying books and magazines for your children, your relatives, your friends, and neighbors will be "bread cast upon the water," for in due time you will see your reward when you will enter your heavenly home with those who have thus been saved.

MRS. A. B. BUTLER Manager, New Jersey Book and Bible House



Youth Congress Delegates

The Youth Congress, April 21-24, 1965, is being planned jointly by the Atlantic and Columbia Union Conferences. Since it will be held in the Columbia Union Conference at Atlantic City, N. J., we are anxious



that it be worthy of our youth in this union conference. Therefore, much planning and effort already has been expended to make this gathering profitable and inspirational to our young

people. Great care is being taken to supervise and care for the youth properly. However, the most important part of all has yet to be completed—the selecting of delegates and the raising of necessary funds to send them to Atlantic City.

Our youth today are seriousminded and anxious to participate in the work of the church. We need to let them know of our interest in them and that we have confidence in their ability to undertake the challenge of an unfinished task. We appeal, therefore, to each church to make this an important item on its church calendar. Continue, therefore, raising the necessary funds, selecting the delegates, and planning to participate in what will undoubtedly be the greatest youth gathering we have had in recent years.

May God bless our youth.

F. W. WERNICK

President

Two Special Congress Offerings Scheduled

THE great Atlantic-Columbia Union Youth Congress, April 21-24, in Atlantic City will soon be here, and we want our Ohio Conference youth to be there. The Spirit of God will be in that place and you can



make an appointment for your youth delegates to meet Him there. The course of their lives may be changed and directed by the Spirit into channels of service for Him.

Therefore, the

11:00 A.M. general offering on February 6 and March 20 has been set aside in every Ohio Conference church to enable it to send its allotted number of official delegates to this great congress.

Please give a generous offering to help these dear youth. Christ did.

R. L. WALDEN

Secretary-Treasurer, Ohio Conference

Wooster Pastor Conducts Radio Program

The voice of Pastor Richard O'Ffill is carried by 1,000 watts of power over Radio Station WWST, Wooster, at 5:20 P.M. daily except Sunday.

These five-minute devotional serv-



Pastor Richard O'Ffill

Cleveland First Church Youth Collect Food for Needy



These 12 modern-day disciples, under the directorship of Shirley Ruddock, Assistant Pathfinder Director of the Cleveland First Church, went forth to collect canned goods. They braved the elements on what would have been a day off from school and God blessed them with 167 articles of food plus some dish towels and money.—Marty Tookmanian, MV Sponsor.

ices have been on the air four months now and are heard throughout Ashland, Wooster, Medina, and Holmes Counties. The program is sponsored by the three churches of his district.

This unique spot is preceded by music and comes just before the 5:25 news. Comments have been varied. One lady said, "I never heard of Adventists until I listened to this radio program."

Pastor O'Ffill follows a theme which changes each month. He records his messages at the station in one sitting on Monday. This takes about an hour of his time. He acts as his own engineer.

Starting in January, plans include making Thursday "Question-and-Answer Day." Those who ask questions, giving their names and addresses, will in this way become a valuable portion of his listening audience.

F. W. HUDGINS

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Mansfield Church Sponsors VOP Broadcast



In October the Mansfield Church decided to sponsor the weekly broadcast of the Voice of Prophecy locally. Elder Edward Trumper, Dr. Harlan Knierim, and Dr. Charles Phillips visited radio stations in the area to inquire about available time and cost. When they reported to the church board, it was felt that Station WMAN offered the best coverage at a desirable time. Mansfield is anticipating a mid-summer effort by the Bornstein-Cummings evangelistic team. The Voice of Prophecy programs will acquaint area residents with the principles of our faith and lay the ground work for this "effort." The program is aired on Sundays at 9:30 A.M.—Virginia Phillips, Press Secretary, Mansfield Church.



Columbia Union College

"The Gateway to Service"

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Faculty Member Receives Danforth Teacher Grant

ELDER James J. Cox, Assistant Professor of Religion, has accepted a 1965 Danforth Teacher Grant. He will use the grant to finish his doctoral dissertation at Harvard University.

The grant is for approximately \$5,000. It includes funds for living expenses, school tuition, and fees.

Recipients of a Danforth grant must spend no less than 11 months in full-time graduate work for a doctorate. During this period they must not take part in other professional duties. The student also must be enrolled in an accredited graduate school of his choice in the United States.

Candidates for the Danforth grant are nominated by their deans. They are chosen for their unusual academic ability, intellectual promise, character, and personality.

Elder Cox is a graduate of New Zealand Missionary College where he completed the intermediate ministerial course. After finishing his senior ministerial courses at Evandale College, formerly Australasian Missionary College, he entered the ministry in Tasmania, New Zealand.

After nine years of ministerial experience, he came to the United States to continue his formal education. He obtained a B.A. degree at Walla Walla College with a major in theology and a minor in history. He received his M.A. degree at Andrews University where he taught Greek and Hebrew courses on the graduate level.

In 1957 Elder Cox accepted a call to Columbia Union College. While here he continued his education at Johns Hopkins University.

Harvard University accepted Elder Cox in 1959. At Harvard he studied for his Ph.D. in history and philosophy of religion, specializing in New Testament and early Christian literature. His academic achievements enabled him to receive two fellowships at Harvard. He also was awarded the Rockefeller Doctoral Fellowship in religion in 1962.

Elder Cox says he is excited about the Danforth Grant. He considers it an honor to himself and to C.U.C. He is proud of this college and its students and has found his work here a challenge. Elder Cox plans to return to C.U.C. after completing his Danforth appointment.

OBITUARIES

MILLS, Ira Jewell, was born in Philadelphia, Pa., January 1, 1898, and died in Harrisburg, Pa., December 21, 1964. On December 15, 1923, he was married to Ann Schneider, also of Philadelphia. He was baptized by Elder C. V. Leach in 1930 in Lansdale, becoming a member of the Orvilla, Pa., Church. Later he moved to Harrisburg, Pa., where he lived at the time of his death. He served the commonwealth of Pennsylvania as commissioner of Horsitals for the density and servent served. of his death. He served the commonwealth of Pennsylvania as commissioner of Hospitals for the department of public welfare. From 1948-1961 he was a member of the Executive Committee of the East Pennsylvania Conference and a member of the Board of Trustees of Blue Mountain Academy. The latter post he held until the time of his death. He also was a member of the Board of Trustees of Columbia Union College from 1950 until the time of his death. In 1962 the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy awarded him an honorary LL.D. degree. He had attended Brown Preparatory School and Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture. He served on the boards of many organizations, including the Pennsylvania League for Nursing and the National Association of Hospital Planning Agencies. He was an ex-officic member of the boards of trustees of 10 state hospitals. He also served for many years as elder of the Harrisburg Church where he served faithfully and well. Words of hope and comfort were spoken by the pastor. Elder Walter E. comfort were spoken by the pastor, Elder Walter E. Haase, assisted by Elder D. W. Hunter, President of the Pennsylvania Conference, and Elder A. W. Ortner, a former pastor of the Harrisburg Church.

NELSON, Hess Ernest, was born September 14, 1886, asd died December 24, 1964. He had been a member of the church for about 40 years. A few of his years were spent in the literature ministry. His wife, Louise, survives. No funeral services were held, which was according to his request, but a graveside service was conducted by the lay elder, C. E. Cook, and the

G. C. Mowry

JORDON, Mrs. Nancy E., of Parkersburg, W. Va., was born August 17, 1884, at Triplett, W. Va., and died December 31, 1964, at St. Joseph Hospital. She was the widow of Charles E. Jordon, who died in May, 1963, and the daughter of the late Marcellus and Martha Jane Anderson Showen, and is survived by three brothers. She was a member of the Parkersburg Church

R. H. Shenard

ANDERS, Mrs. Rose, was born January 28, 1868, and ANDERS, Mrs. Rose, was born January 28, 1868, and died December 20, 1964, at the age of 96. In 1990, under the ministry of Elder William Westworth, she united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church and was active in church work. At the time of her death she was the oldest member of the Hagerstown, Md., Church, Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Violet Gordon; and two sons: Richard and Homer Anders. The funeral service was conducted at the Minnich Funeral Home in Hagerstown by Elder J. L. Ray and Pastor Keith Hassinger. Home in Hagerst Keith Hassinger.

SMITH, Harry E., was born August 29, 1897, and died December 25, 1964. As a young man he helped build the old Pondsville, Md., Church. Later he served as a deacon in this church. At the time of his death he was a member of the Mt. Aetna Church. Surviving are his wife; five sons: Charles Reno. Harry, Jr., George, Robert, and David Smith; four daughters: Mrs. Iva M. Smith, Mrs. Madeline Perkins, Mrs. Jean Daily, and Mrs. Joanne Barajas; two brothers; one sister; 15 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Services were conducted at the Hagerstown Church by Elder J. L. Ray, assisted by Elder W. C. Moffett and Pastor Keith Hassinger. Moffett and Pastor Keith Hassinger.

J. L. Ray

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	Feb. 5	Feb. 12
Baltimore, Md		5:40
Cincinnati, Ohio		6:12
Cleveland, Ohio		5:56
Columbus, Ohio	. 5:56	6:04
Jersey City, N. J	. 5:18	5:27
Norfolk, Va		5:42
Parkersburg, W. Va		5:59
Philadelphia, Pa	. 5:25	5:33
Pittsburgh, Pa		5:52
Reading, Pa	. 5:27	5:35
Richmond, Va	5:38	5:45
Scranton, Pa		5:33
Toledo, Ohio		6:05
Trenton, N. J		5:31
Washington, D. C		5:42



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Million Dollars Sets World Ingathering Record

THAT which many people thought was impossible has been accomplished! The Columbia Union Conference has the distinction of registering another "first" in denominational history!

Through the inspiring leadership of Elder C. C. Weis and his Home Missionary Secretaries, the wholehearted support of our conference



By Neal C. Wilson President. Columbia Union Conference

presidents, and the cooperation of our church pastors and wonderful laymen, we have raised over One Million Dollars for Ingathering! This is the first time a union conference has raised a million dollars in one campaign—certainly a marvelous achievement, and one which will bring great blessing to our missionary and soul-

winning work, both overseas and at home.

Takoma Academy and Columbia Union College, under the direction of Dr. J. P. Laurence and Dr. C. B. Hirsch and their respective faculties and student leaders, set new world records for Seventh-day Adventist educational institutions.

It is thrilling to realize that more homes were visited, more individuals were contacted, more literature was distributed, and a larger goal achieved than ever before. In addition, there was a better spirit, less pressure, a shorter campaign, and more church members participated, than in past years. It was encouraging to see young and old, crippled and handicapped, professional and unskilled workers, and even non-members, joyfully engaged in this wonderful missionary project. Just think, fellow workers and fellow believers, what could be accomplished if every member participated.

Now that the campaign is over for this year, we must not neglect to pray for the seed that has been sown. Many hearts have been impressed through your calls, letters, visits, and singing. There should be a harvest of souls for the kingdom from this massive, but different type of evangelistic endeavor. Some interests should be followed up by further personal visitation, more literature, Bible studies, and invitations to accept Christ and join the remnant church.

It is from my heart that I express sincere and deep appreciation for the devoted efforts of our people which have made possible the success and victory of the 1965 Ingathering campaign.

Remember, fellow believers, the ultimate victory celebration will be in heaven. Let's all be there and have many others with us.

COLUMBIA UNION CONFERENCE INGATHERING REPORT

Conference	Membership	1965 Campaign Goal	Reported To Date	Per Capita	Gain*
Allegheny	9,996	\$ 125,000	\$ 145,193.57	\$14.50	\$13,090.46
Chesapeake	3,496	87,400	95,549.05	27.33	10,738.30
New Jersey	3,104	76,600	92,020.15	29.65	5,280.71
Ohio	8,039	175,000	190,468.81	23.69	11,047.05
Pennsylvania	6,948	185,000	187,545.74	26.99	4,185.06
Potomac	10,575	250,000	251,141.78	23.74	1,131.78
West Virginia	1,796	43,500	39,894.00	22.21	12.52
Overflow		57,500			
Union	43,954	\$1,000,000	\$1,001,813.10	\$22.79	\$45,485.88

^{*} This column gives the dollar gain this year over the same period last year.

By C. C. Weis

Secretary, Home Missionary and Sabbath School Department

THE Columbia Union Conference has reached one million dollars in the 1965 Ingathering campaign! This is the first time in the history of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination that any union conference has

reached one million dollars in an Ingathering campaign. We write this message for the purpose of expressing our sincere appreciation to our pastors and lay members who have



made this record possible. We say "thank you" to all who participated.

We praise God for His wonderful blessings upon our church members as they have participated in this great missionary endeavor.

Not only have we reached a million dollars, but thousands upon thousands of contacts have been made and we are confident that, under the continued outpouring of the Spirit of God upon those who have donated, many souls will be saved.

Our faithful, dedicated church members in the Columbia Union Conference have reached another milestone. A total of \$926,157.65 was contributed to God's work through the Sabbath School in 1964. This is an increase of \$61,430.50 over our 1963 record. Thank you, Sabbath School members. May God restore to you an hundredfold in 1965.

Since we are all praying for Jesus to come soon, may we call upon you to redouble your efforts in 1965. We are calling upon all church members to increase the Sabbath School giving during this present year by 50 per cent. This means that if you have given 50 cents to the Sabbath School, you will now want to give 75 cents; if you have given a dollar, you will want to give a dollar and a half; if you have given two dollars, you will want to give three dollars; if you have given five dollars, you will want to give seven dollars and 50 cents.

This is the most thrilling challenge that has ever come to me as a conference Sabbath School Secretary and I know you, too, will respond to this great challenge, for the time has come when we must think in terms of finishing the work of God.

Thank you, pastors and church members, for your faithfulness, and may God continue to bless you richly in 1965.