

# Field Tidings

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### CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE

#### Camp-meeting

Our tenth annual conference and camp-meeting will be held in Chattanooga, August 25 to September 4. All our people are earnestly invited to attend and help make this the best meeting that has ever been held in the Cumberland Conference. We are planning to give our people this year excellent camp accommodations. Our tents will rent from \$2.00 to \$2.50, according to height of wall. Lumber for flooring a full tent will cost \$1.25; we advise that all tents be floored for fear of rain. A single canvas cot will rent for 35 ¢, table 25 ¢, chairs 10 ¢ each. All who desire other tent furnishings, such as beds, springs, mattresses, etc. than above mentioned will send in their special order to C. W. Slade, Highland Park, Tenn, and he will get it for you if he can.

We are trying to get pasture for those who drive to the meeting, but at this writing have not been successful; will report later through this paper.

We are planning to make our dining tent this year an attractive feature of our camp. The tent will be 35x50 ft. in size, and screened from flies. Meals will be served on the European plan. The price of food will vary from one to five cents per dish; each person will make his own selection from the bill of fare and pay for just what he gets. This system was used by us at our last General Conference in feeding two thousand people a day. The Cafeteria system gives entire satisfaction, and enables our people by careful selection of their food to board at the dining tent cheaper than they can board themselves. Remember the dining tent and kitchen outfit this year will be brand new. You will be pleased with the entire arrangement, so leave your stoves and dishes at home and come and enjoy all the meetings by boarding at the Cumberland Conference Cafeteria.

The General Conference has promised us some good help for our meeting. Elder Thompson the president of our Union will be with us, also other Union help. Let our people begin at once to plan to attend. Bring the children and come to this annual feast with the Lord Jesus in your hearts, that we may be a blessing in the camp and receive a blessing ourselves.

P. G. STANLEY, President.

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### FIRST WEEK OF GEORGIA CAMP-MEETING

Meeting opened at Griffin according to appointment, Wednesday night with most excellent attendance. I arrived on the grounds Friday morning, July 22nd, and found the conference already in session. The President's report was an interesting document. It showed real progress in Georgia in the matter of tithe, with a record of \$19.00 plus, per capita, of offerings to missions reported as more than 13 ¢ per week per member during the past year. There are 75 new Sabbath-keepers, and four churches have been received into the conference. This report brought in feelings of courage and hope.

The brethren expressed a determination to press forward and make the work in Georgia succeed. The preaching services have been well attended, large crowds coming to the night meetings. The people of the city show a most kindly interest in our people and their work. A number seem to be deeply interested in the truths that are being taught. As you will remember from the report in FIELD TIDINGS, the camp-meeting is a continuation of a tent-meeting which was conducted for nearly a fortnight before the camp-meeting began.

The business meetings thus far have been excellent. A spirit of unity and harmony seems to prevail, and we trust that God's Spirit will continue to bless in the meetings, and that the

results of this meeting may be felt in a marked manner throughout the conference in years to come. Further reports from the secretary will give the recommendations passed and such other items as may be thought of interest to the people.

The work for the young people seems to be making some progress. We trust that they will all reap a real benefit for having been at this camp-meeting.

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### "MY LODGE EXPERIENCE"

#### The Secret Order and Why I Left It.

By Elder George O. States

The latest production, dealing with an all important question that should agitate every Seventh-day Adventist. Elder States has written a real life experience, and every church-member should have the practical counsel that is contained in his new pamphlet, "My Lodge Experience."

The very fact that we find professed believers affiliating with the secret societies of today, should awaken a spirit of thoughtful, prayerful investigation. "Can a Seventh-day Adventist consistently be a member of a secret order?" This question and others of like nature are forcibly answered by Elder States in a straightforward manner, using the Scriptures and the Spirit of Prophecy as a basis for his argument.

We can truthfully say that this is one of the most timely presentations of the lodge question that we have ever had the privilege of examining.

It contains 64 pages with heavy paper covers. Prices postpaid are as follows: Single copy, 15 cents; 10 copies for \$1.00. Order today of your tract society or the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tennessee.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,

R. Hook Jr., Mgr.

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### A COMPARISON

In these days of progress in our book work, reports of gain and increase are frequent, yet they are none the less full of meaning. As I look back over the history of the development of our book work, and study the prophecies relative to the closing up of the Advent Message, these reports of progress are clear indications to

me that we are living in the very last days—the "gathering time," when God has stretched out His hand the second time to cover the remnant of His people. It is while working in harmony with each other and in harmony with God's plans that success attends our efforts.

During the first six months of 1909, the entire sales in the Southeastern Union Conference were \$11,407.13. During the first half of this year the sales increased by \$5,551.02, almost fifty per cent to \$16,958.15. The figures should not be confounded with the reports of orders taken. The figures that are here compared are of the actual net sales made from the publishing house, reckoned at retail value, and includes all classes of books and tracts.

In three of our conferences—Georgia, North Carolina, and Florida, there has been a gain; the total gain in these three conferences amounting to \$7,271.85. But there has been a decrease of \$1,720.83 in the South Carolina and Cumberland conferences, leaving a net increase for the Union of \$5,551.02. The increase in Florida alone was \$6,401.64, or \$850.62 more than the net increase in the entire Union.

Persistent efforts, and hard work have been required to bring about this splendid showing. Yet, every one who loves the appearing of our Lord must rejoice because of this forward step in the work in our Union. Is not this an opportune time for every believer to consecrate himself anew to God's service, placing himself among that noble band of active workers who are carrying the printed page from home to home in our field? Does the Lord impress you with a desire to engage in the canvassing work? He says: "In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory."

Now is the time to volunteer for service. Write your state agent about it. I will be glad to hear from any who are interested.

L. D. RANDALL.

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### SOUTH CAROLINA

Sabbath June 25, we had our quarterly service, and the Midsummer Offering was taken up at the same time. In harmony with the advice of Elder T. H. Jeys, I left Greenville Friday, July 1, for Spartanburg, here I found church No. 2 of good courage in the Lord. The weather was

rather disagreeable, but we had our Sabbath service; and the Midsummer Offering was likewise taken up. Sunday July 3, I boarded a train for Columbia, and was met at the depot by Brother Jackson, and went to the tent where I found Brother Scott and the others hard at work. The meetings are well attended, though the inclement weather has had its effect. Notwithstanding the people are deeply interested, and indications point to a large church in the near future. The better class of people are the ones who are taking hold of the truth, and that makes the outlook healthy.

The colored ministers of this city are fighting hard to keep the people from attending the meetings, but they can prevail nothing. It is a fact, that we are in the "Loud Cry" of the message.

Our camp is moving on nicely and harmoniously, the result will be seen in the salvation of souls when the reproach of Egypt is rolled away from our hearts.

My wife left Greenville for Huntsville Ala. to attend the teachers institute which is being held at Oakwood. This city is feverish from its unsanitary condition. Brethren remember us at the throne of grace.

J. F. CRICHLAW, Columbia, S. C.

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## CAN WE HANDLE LARGE BOOKS SUCCESSFULLY?

### Our Canvassers Success

There is an old adage to the effect, "A faint heart never won a fair lady," and many things that are true in the matrimonial world are equally true in the canvassing world. Many of us have learned in each case that "no" does not always mean no. Where we believe we can succeed, we are apt to succeed.

The opinion has prevailed that our large books could not be sold in the South, and as a result many of us have been using small books, or the cheap trade edition of the large books, which leaves us hardly profit sufficient to meet our expenses. Thus many have left the work, and others have kept under an awful burden in order to stay in the work. But thank the Lord, the cloud is lifting, and Israel is on the march. We believe we are able to go over and possess the country.

I am glad to see some of our canvassers laboring to lift the standard. I understand that

some have discarded the "Trade Edition" of their book altogether. There may be, and is, some territory where this cannot be done. But in almost any country territory it can be done, especially if we will arrange our delivery for the time when the people get their money,—usually in the fall, or if in lumber or mining sections, pay-day. In the city it is best to use your cheap book some, also when you are forced to make short deliveries in the country during summer months. But for fall work in the country, it can and is being done.

In eighteen days (and only ten of those full days) I have taken \$420 worth of orders, and not one of them for less than \$3.50. That includes helps and some Bible orders.

Some will want to know how I keep from telling the people that I have a \$2.50 binding in my satchel. I don't have it there! But some will say, "What do you do when you find a person who wants the book, but is not able to give \$3.00 for it?" Well, if there is no way to get their order for the \$3.00 book, I just let them go, for I had rather lose that order than have others think I had been unfair in not showing the cheap one to them. If we are going to keep the standard up, let's keep it up. If we have territory that just will not support a \$3.00 book, use the cheap one and show it to all and let them decide which binding they want. That is the only way to use the plain binding. Show it to all, or do not have it at all. The latter is preferable.

W. E. LANIER, Raleigh, N. C.

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## NORTH CAROLINA CAMP-MEETING

The time for our annual conference and camp-meeting is very near at hand and doubtless all our brethren are looking forward to this time with pleasure, and have laid their plans to be present at the first meeting, which begins Thursday, August 18.

A high rolling plot of ground has been secured in the center of Kernersville, it is the public school property, and is accessible to the station. The school board has shown us every courtesy, and seem anxious to have us come. They let us have the grounds free. We expect a full attendance from the town and it will be a great disappointment if our people fail to come up to this important meeting.

We plan to have a dining tent as usual and rates will be about the same as last year. We have ordered a good supply of health foods and we shall endeavor to make prices on all things reasonable.

The rent on tents will range the same as last year and lumber will be on the ground, so floors can be placed in the tents by those who wish them.

### HOW TO REACH KERNERSVILLE

Those coming from points east of Salisbury,

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will change cars at Barber Junction, getting a train there at 12:45 P. M. for Winston-Salem. Train leaves Winston, at 4:55 P. M. and arrives at Kernersville 5:20 P. M. If any can take the fast train from Asheville, Number 36, you can reach Kernersville two hours earlier, by going to Greensboro and paying seventy-five cents more.

Those coming from the east and south will of course, change cars at Greensboro. Trains leave there at 8:15 A. M. and 2:20 and 6:35 P. M. arriving in Kernersville forty minutes later.

Bring your children and neighbors. Bring your pocket-book. Wear a smile that will not come off. Bring Jesus with you and a burden for souls.  
G. W. WELLS, President.

## THE THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION of Self-supporting Southern Workers August 27-30, 1910

This meeting will be held at Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute, Madison, Tennessee, Sabbath August 27 to Tuesday August 30.

The Lord is calling many, as He called Abraham into a new and untried field. These men and women feel the call in their hearts, but seem to hesitate to step out in answer to the call. These conventions open the way for such to learn what can be done in the South and how it is to be done. Some ministers have left the North to enter self-supporting school work in the South and are making a success of self-supporting missionary work. Come to the convention and meet these people.

Those who are called should think solemnly of the situation, for if they hesitate too long God will call men from the highways and hedges to do what they might have done.

At the convention we meet live men, right from the battle field. Write for an announcement and other interesting convention literature.

Address E. A. SUTHERLAND.

### SOUTHEASTERN UNION CAMP-MEETINGS

FOR 1910

South Carolina, Union,	August 4-14.
North Carolina, Kernersville,	August 18-28.
Cumberland, Chattanooga;	Aug. 25 Sept. 4.
Florida,	October 13-23

### SOUTH CAROLINA NOTICE

Since our notice two weeks ago, a different and much better place has been found for our camp. Instead of being on East Main St. it will be on South Church St. Let all take notice. Further let it be remembered that no mattresses can be obtained. Straw will be on the ground and all should bring ticks. Bed springs can be had at 30 cts. per set. Tents with floor will be \$3.00, without floor \$2.50  
T. H. Jers.

### CANVASSING REPORT

Southeastern Union Conference for week ending  
July, 16.

Name,	Book,	Hours,	Value,	Del.
NORTH CAROLINA				
Alby Paul	DR	43	\$35.50	\$ 2.50
R. L. Underwood	DR	90	98.00	
T. T. Stepp	DR	20		18.00
G. L. Kerley	DR	42	94.50	.50
J. W. Siler	GC	30	16.00	2.00
W. H. George	GC	36	43.50	7.50
W. E. Lanier	GC	54	108.75	5.75
Bertha Graham	CK	14	12.50	.50
Mead Graham	CK	24	6.75	3.25
Hazel Graham	CK	20	17.00	.50
T. J. Woodall	CK	45	28.75	1.75
J. P. Allran	CK	51	50.00	3.00
Bertha Ingram	CK	31	23.00	
Emily Ingram	CK	30	8.00	
W. A. Morris	PPF	31	18.00	6.00
Mrs. E. A. Wing	S of P	29	22.75	4.75
Ross Underwood	BS	91	28.00	7.00

### CUMBERLAND

Nora Burchard	PPF	36	4.25	36.75
Celia Burchard	PPF	36		26.25
John Meister	PPF	47	57.00	1.50
Fred Meister	PPF	50	80.25	2.00
W. Kirkham	PPF	47	41.00	1.25
A. D. Day	BFL	20	7.25	
Mrs. J. A. Caldwell	BFL	18	7.50	2.25
E. D. Haskell	CK	62	25.25	21.60

### SOUTH CAROLINA

3 weeks

Jas. Brown	GC	30		17.05
Clarence Craw	BFL	116	35.00	33.50
J. B. Rise	DR	16	10.50	
Harry Park	GC	66	54.25	
Effie Park	BS GC	64	29.65	12.50
W. C. Rahn	SP	58	90.50	20.00
Mae Foote	BFL	90	45.00	23.00

### FLORIDA

2 weeks

Grace Hunter	BFL	44	25.00	
I. M. Haegart	DP	30	51.60	35.00
A. Orr	DP	15	33.25	15.50
Chas. Dyer	PPF	37	49.30	
Joseph Currier	PPF			33.50
Royal Hubbell Sr.	PPF			19.00
Royal Hubbell Jr.	PPF			75.50

### GEORGIA

S. T. Walker	GC	16	19.00	*
Mrs. P. R. Rainwater	BFL	18	30.00	20.50
R. O. Terry	DR	30	20.25	20.50

### Summary

North Carolina	Total	681	611.00	63.50
Georgia	Total	64	69.25	41.00
Cumberland	Total	316	122.50	91.60
South Carolina	Total	430	264.90	106.05
Florida	Total	126	162.15	178.90
Grand Total		1617	1229.80	381.05