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The Camp-meetings

THERE are no more important occasions among our people than the camp-meeting seasons. They are the annual feast for Israel.

At this writing the camp-meetings of South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, and Cumberland for this year have passed into history.

We cannot make a lengthy report of these meetings, but we thought it would be a source of encouragement to the readers of FIELD TIDINGS to mention some interesting facts that were noticable in them all. At the first three named the per cent of attendance of our own people was larger than in Cumberland. But the outside attendance was most encouraging in all, being largest in the Cumberland.

The spirit of revival and consecration was more manifest in all the meetings this year than last. The

people sought God for a real spiritual life and He did not disappoint them.

I am persuaded the encouraging results of the summer's campaign, and our camp-meetings were largely the result of our Ministerial Institute, held in Knoxville, last spring.

The reports of the various conferences given at their respective camp-meetings were most encouraging, as all showed gains in every department. During the year, believers have been added, churches organized, and funds for home and foreign missions were raised, so our quotas have been met. The tithes have increased and some new laborers have been added.

One other thing worthy of note is the harmony, sympathy, and brotherly love existing between the conferences. Each seems so willing to help the other, and in a measure share "all things common." I attribute the evidences of the manifestation of God's Spirit among us more to their condition than any other one cause. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples if you have love one for another".

Each camp-meeting developed such an interest where they were held, that prospects are good for churches to be established. This is as it should be. I am sure God is pleased to have our meetings held in new places.

The Florida camp-meeting is yet future, and I hope all our people in that conference will plan to attend. We have the promise of Elder K. C. Russell, of Washington, and other helpers. The believers have a duty they owe to the interests awakened by our camp-meetings that they cannot discharge at home. Times are perilous, and all need the help of these meetings. May God bless the

work and workers of the Southeastern Union Conference is my prayer.
CHAS. THOMPSON.

Perplexities Arising From Sunday Laws

WE note from press work that the British Parliament has exempted London, Manchester, Leeds, and Liverpool from the operation of the Sunday Law, because it worked hardships on the Jews of those cities, who keep the Sabbath. On this question the *New Orleans Daily States*, of August 15, says editorially under the caption, "The Jewish Sabbath:"

"This is a matter of interest to us, for there is a growing demand in this country for similar legislation that will require serious consideration in the near future. All things considered, it does not seem just to compel a citizen, who for conscious sake keep the seventh day of the week as a day of rest to also refrain from labor on Sunday.

"But the question is broader than that" says the *Brooklyn Times*. "The law establishes Sunday as a day of rest, and requires general cessation from business activities, and it is a civil institution as well as a religious one. It would not be right to allow one set of citizens to keep their places open on the day when the great majority were closed, so far as large commercial enterprises are concerned. Now would it be right to permit a dealer to do business both Saturdays and Sundays. There would have to be police inspection to see that one of the days was observed.

"It is generally admitted that our present law is a hardship for the or-

thodox Jew who religiously observes his Sabbath, and it appears that bills were introduced at the last session of the New York Legislature to relieve the Jewish butchers and grocers who cater to a local trade, but the measures were not passed. The country, however, is beginning to feel that it would be only just to allow them greater latitude in cases where there religious convictions compel them to strict observance of the seventh day as their Sabbath, and where it is shown that they have complied with religious custom."

The *States* editor well says that it is unjust to compel a citizen who keeps the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath to refrain from labor on Sunday. This is one of the inconsistencies and anomalies of Sunday laws.

The editor of the *Brooklyn Times* recommends a policy which smacks very much of the Russian idea of civil government. It is customary for the police of Russia to busy themselves with the doings of religious meetings, but we hesitate to believe that such a policy will ever be put into practice in this country.

The publicity being given to the Sabbath and the Sunday law questions in this country is an omen of good, to say the least, for it awakens a spirit of careful and earnest study of this great problem. This should prompt us to come in touch with editors and public men, and keep them supplied with *Liberty* and other literature.

S. B. HORTON.

A True Experience

ABOUT ten years ago Brother A, who lived in the South had the following experience: A church building was badly needed, and Brother A pledged \$25.00 for this fund. Shortly afterwards the president of the conference came that way, and urged that the pledge be doubled. This was done, though with some reluctance.

After the original pledge of \$25.00 was paid, Brother A was asked to take work in another conference. Being now in a new field, and having paid his original pledge, he reasoned within himself that it would be all right not to pay the remaining \$25.00, if the church for which it

was pledged would release him. To this end, correspondence was taken up, and the release granted.

Time went on for about nine years until the circumstance had nearly dropped out of memory of both the church, and also Brother A; but evidently not out of the mind of God, or out of the records of Heaven. It seems that after this, every time Brother A would be present at meetings where the Spirit of the Lord would work freely upon the hearts of the people, or at such times when he would be seeking the Lord earnestly in secret prayer, that pledge would come up before him.

At first he reasoned within himself that it was all right not to pay it for the church had released him; but this did not keep the matter from coming up, and that, too, at the very time he knew that he was sharing much of the Lord's Spirit.

The decision was then made to pay the remainder of the pledge; and the result is, that he has not been bothered with having the matter come up since; but on the other hand, much peace and satisfaction followed.

Now for the real lesson in this experience. Is one pledge to the Lord more binding than another? Or is the pledge of one individual less binding than one made by another.

During the camp-meetings this summer, it seems the Holy Spirit has been present in a marked degree, and when calls came for means to carry forward the work, the responses were certainly gratifying. I suppose that every one intends, by the Lord's help, to meet these obligations, for no doubt they have been registered in the books of Heaven; but there were other pledges made just as sacred, and no doubt are registered in the same books. The same reward is held out to those who are faithful in paying, and the same dearth of spirituality will result in not meeting the obligation.

In our anticipation, I suppose we know before it is stated what this pledge is. Then let us not forget the vow we made to the Lord that day when we promised to give ourselves to Him for a definite work during the coming year. Shall we not, one and all, be true to our vows, pay our pledges, and thus share in the blessed reward that is soon to follow? Read Num. 3:2; Deut. 23:2; Eccl. 5:4, 5.

V. O. COLE.

Florida Items

SABBATH, August 26, two were buried in baptism, by Elder Parmele, in Lake Estelle, at the Sanitarium.

The colored camp-meeting will occupy the same grounds as last year, which is four or five blocks from our camp.

Prof. B. D. Gullett closed his term of school with the Jennings Lake Church last week. Encouraging letters from its members have been received from time to time, showing their appreciation of a good school.

Recently two consignments of new tents have been received. All planning to attend the camp-meeting and needing tents or rooms should place their orders at once with Mrs. R. G. Stringer, Orlando, Fla.

A large residence across the paved road from the camp-ground has been rented, and the dining department of the camp will be conducted there.

Dr. Parmele has returned from her trip to Baltimore, where she has for several weeks been taking post graduate work in the Medical Department of Johns Hopkins University. She feels refreshed from her labors of the past three years, and better prepared to again enter the work of relieving the sick and suffering.

Dr. G. S. and Mrs. Nellie Honeywell, who have recently come to our Conference, spent Sabbath and Sunday, August 26 and 27, with the Ft. Ogden Church. The Ft. Ogden School Board engaged Sister Honeywell as their teacher for the year. The board is also negotiating with Brother and Sister Goss, each a graduate nurse, to conduct the school-home.

The brethren in charge of the tent effort at Palmetto write favorably of the work there. While the rains have hindered much, yet there are several interested ones who are in the valley of decision.

The tent effort at Sanford is progressing encouragingly. Brother Luzerene Thompson is assisting in this place. Elder Parmele is conducting the service two nights of the week; the remainder of his time being spent in official duties.

Prof. Hiatt, our Union Conference Educational Secretary, who has had years of experience teaching in public and church schools, is in charge of

the summer school. Prof. Gullett is also expected this week to assist during the last week of the school.

Those from away who are attending the summer school at Orlando, are Mrs. I. B. Foster, and Miss Grace Smith, of Miami; Miss Marie Schuster, Jacksonville; Miss Lena Whidden, Punta Gorda; Miss Elsie Hollingsworth, Booker; Miss Esther Mickelson, Knights Station; Harold Harvey, Daytona; E. L. Kenny, Zephyrhills; and Dr. G. S. and Mrs. Nellie Honeywell.

Georgia Items

ELDER Shadel was compelled to return home soon after camp-meeting because of failing health. He must have rest and a change of work for a while. He has labored hard for a number of years until his nerves are exhausted.

Brethren Clark and Spaulding began another tent effort in Cordele this week. Several have begun to keep the Sabbath there as a result of the first effort.

Elder Stephenson and Brother C. A. Maxwell are following up the interest created by the camp-meeting at Forsyth. They report several new Sabbath-keepers and quite an interest. Sister Whitgrove is also connected with the company as Bible worker. She is kept busy.

Brother and Sister Terry have been invited to make Thomasville their field of labor. Sister Terry will do Bible work and Brother Terry will canvass.

Brother Tarver has been located in Nashville, Ga., as resident canvasser. We understand Brother Joseph Thompson is also located there. Brother Winn has invited them to make his home headquarters, and also gives the use of his horse and buggy.

Good reports come from the tent effort at Albany, conducted by Brother Manns.

Over twelve Sabbath-keepers are reported as the result of the colored camp-meeting at Macon. Brother Williams is following up the work there.

We are glad to say that at the present time there are three tent efforts being conducted.

Brethren and sisters remember your servants at the throne of grace.

South Carolina Colored Camp-meeting

THE colored camp-meeting held at Columbia, South Carolina, has just come to a close. In the first part of the meeting there was a great deal of rain; about the fourth day the weather became settled and we were able to go on with the meeting. There was a good attendance of our people who live in various parts of the State, and I think that as they returned to their homes it was with the feeling that their coming together had not been in vain. The believers at Columbia did not camp on the ground, and as some of them lived at a distance from the camp they could not meet with us at all the meetings; but most of them came as often as they could.

Elder Chas. Thompson was with us a few days, and Elder Manns of Fla. was present during the entire time. These brethren gave much valuable instruction and counsel during the meeting. The laborers from our Conference were Elder M. C. Strachan, J. F. Critchlow, W. E. Strother and Brother R. M. Carter our state agent. In the forenoon meeting of the last Sabbath the Spirit of God came especially near, and as a call was made for consecration to the service of the Lord, about sixty persons came forward for prayer. Victories were gained for the truth, as some who had been debating over the matter now took their stand for it. Brethren Strachan and Manns did most of the speaking at the night meetings, and they presented the testing truths of the message in a forceful manner to those who came. These night meetings were well attended, and often a number of white citizens would come and sit through the services, listening attentively to the truth presented. There were fifteen persons baptized the last day of the meeting.

Those who were present at this camp meeting seemed to feel that they were personally responsible to a great extent for the advancement of the work in this field, and in all the world, and they gave as liberally of their means as they could to help carry it forward.

Brethren Strachan and Critchlow will return to Minnisboro at once to

pitch their tent, and follow up the good interest there that already has been awakened. A number there have already taken their stand for the truth, and it is expected that a church will be raised up.

Brother Carter held a canvassers meeting each day of the camp-meeting, and a number who attended promised to take up canvassing work at once. We trust they shall be successful as they go out and that many books may be sold by them the coming year.

W. H. BRANSON.

South Carolina

In war the battle that is wisely planned, each division of the army infantry, artillery, cavalry, acting its part at the proper time and place, is almost invariably successful; and I believe the same results will follow in the Lord's work when we pursue the same course.

The Lord did not inspire his servants to write such books as "Patriarchs and Prophets", "Great Controversy", "Daniel and Revelation", "Desire of Ages", "Practical Guide to Health", and similar books that contain present truth, that they might be printed and then lie on the shelves of the publishing houses and depositaries, and become covered with dust. But He expects us who believe the truth these books contain, to take a burden upon ourselves to help give them a wide circulation among the people. A great blessing is in store for those who will take up this work in the fear of God; for they have the promise that angels of God will not only accompany them, but go before them.

I hope that we will so sense the times in which we are living, and the importance of the work, that we will labor earnestly while it is called today. If we are not faithful in the discharge of our duties; if we do not do all that we possibly can to carry the truth to others; if people are lost who might have been reached, the blood of these souls will be required at our hands. This is a dreadful thought and should arouse us to sense the solemnity of time in which we are now living. And we are glad to see some take hold of the work for the first time.

Dear Brother let us all take hold
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South Carolina

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of the work so that it may close quickly. Then our Saviour will appear in glory, bearing a reward according as our work has been. Those who are planning on entering this work, I will be glad to correspond with; also assist you in actual service.

R. M. CARTER, Field Agent.

North Carolina

THE interest at High Point still continues. Elder Nash and Brother and Sister G. P. Loy are holding meetings in the tent, although it was moved to another location September 4.

The work in Newbern is progressing with a large attendance at the meetings, which are now held in the new tent recently purchased. The attendance at the Sabbath-school is about 90. Brother Lanier reports the situation there as very encouraging, and that the new tent is a fine one.

We are glad to report a new recruit for our magazine work. Sister Nora Acker, of Tryon, has begun work with *Life and Health* in the western part of the State. We are glad to welcome her to the ranks of

the noble army of workers at the front.

Elder W. L. Killen, who has labored so long in North Carolina, left for Idaho, August 29. He makes this change on account of failing health, believing that such a change was necessary for his recovery, after being long in this climate. We trust his hope will be realized and that the will soon be restored to health again.

M. H. BROWN.

"Life and Health"

LAST Friday we mailed you a sample copy of the September *Life and Health*. Isn't that grapes and peaches cover a beauty? The cover alone will sell the magazine.

Think of it! Half of this first edition of 60,000 copies is already sold, and the month's sale has hardly begun. Let us all unite in selling not less than 80,000 copies of this beautiful school and home number. It can be done, for you will remember that we did sell 80,000 copies of the July, 1909, number. Our two August editions, totaling 72,000 copies, were sold out by Sunday, August 13.

Within two weeks, Miss Neva Grant, the junior member of our

"Travelers' Club", placed orders with us for 1,900 copies of the August "*Life and Health*", to be sent to her to nine different cities and towns. This, we believe, is the largest number of any one issue ordered by any of our agents.

Writing of his success in Pa., Brother Hugh Peden says: "The twelve working days since my arrival have been full of good reports, my total sales amounting to 1,275 magazines."

Thirteen of our agents have sold 46,850 copies of *Life and Health* thus far this year, in from two to five months, visiting 137 cities and towns.

"I picked up a copy of your magazine for August", writes a business man of San Jose, Cal., "and after looking it through, persuaded the owner to sell it to me, which he did. After reading the very interesting topics, I have decided to write you. Would like to have the agency for the State of California for myself and boy. I would employ other sub-agents, and keep the field alive."

A. J. S. BOURDEAU,
Circulation Manager.

Southeastern Union Camp-meeting for 1911

Florida, Sanford...Sept. 28 to Oct. 9

Report of the Canvassing Work in the Southeastern Union Conference During the Month of August, 1911

Conference.	Agents.	Hours.	Orders.	Value.	Deliveries.
North Carolina	15	953	452	\$1116.65	\$355.25
Cumberland	13	1235	463	968.75	422.68
South Carolina	9	795	298	750.10	51.46
Georgia	13	565	271	611.20	145.80
Florida	8	145	142	522.50	205.85
Total	58	3693	1626	3969.20	1181.04

V. O. COLE.

Canvassing Report

Southeastern Union Conference

(Week ending Aug. 19)

Name,	Book,	Hrs.,	Ords.,	Value,	Helps,	Total,	Del.
SOUTH CAROLINA							
G. L. Kerley	DR	61	18	58.00	14.25	72.25	1.50
G. B. Case	DR	39	9	33.00	7.50	40.50	1.50
Harry Parks	GC	35	5	14.00	9.25	23.25	2.00
C. H. Holland	CK	25	9	12.50	9.00	21.50	12.55
J. B. Rise	DR	29	1	2.00	1.75	3.75	9.00
W. H. Armstrong	CK	26	27	41.00	5.75	46.75	
CUMBERLAND							
E. D. Haskel	PPF	28	1	1.50	2.00	3.50	5.50
R. A. Judy	PPF	52	21	31.50	6.75	38.75	
J. W. Purvis	PPF	32					15.13
Ellis Howard	GC	48	16	34.00	37.75	71.75	4.00
Summary							
South Carolina	Total	189	42	119.50	45.75	161.25	26.55
Cumberland	Total	160	38	67.00	46.50	113.90	44.63
Grand Total		349	80	186.50	92.25	275.15	71.18