

FIELD MEETINGS

GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS

VOL. 4

GRAYSVILLE, TENNESSEE, MAR. 26, 1912

NO. 13

Southeastern Union Conference Directory

Office Address, 169 Bryan St., Atlanta, Georgia.
 President, C. B. Stephenson, Alpharetta, Georgia.
 Secretary and Treasurer, W. H. Williams, Office address.
 Educational Secretary, H. M. Hiatt, Office address.
 Missionary Agent, V. O. Cole, Graysville, Tennessee.
 Medical Secretary, A. L. Gregory, Graysville, Tenn.
 Y. P. M. V. and Missionary Secretary, H. M. Hiatt, Office Address.

The Graysville School

It has been the writer's privilege to spend a few days with the faculty and students of the Graysville school. Aside from one fact, the impression has been favorable indeed. Here is an institution established by sacrifice and counsel and prayer. Year by year, additional facilities have been secured until now more than one hundred fifty students can be accommodated. Good opportunities are offered for developing strong, Christian characters and wide usefulness in the work left to the remnant church. The efficiency of the teaching force and the range of the curriculum merit the most hearty support and the most earnest efforts to place our young people in this school.

The one dissappointing fact is this. —When I met the students in the chapel for the morning devotional exercises, there were too many vacant seats. When I think of the

hundreds of homes throughout the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences, having from one to four young people, suitable in age and capabilities to be in the Training School, the text comes forcefully to mind, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?"

Calls for men and means keep coming. Also, calls have been made repeatedly to build up this school as a training center. It is in the providence of God that the principles of Christian education have been unfolded and that facilities have been provided for training this generation in them. The youth of this time have opportunities for training that have come to no other generation. God wants the young men and young women in every Seventh-day Adventist home to be a power in His hands to promulgate the Truth. It is His plan for them to be trained in His schools for their life work. Now that everything is in readiness for this training, who can hope to be accounted guiltless, and yet stand in the way?

It is now time for this school to be filled to its capacity. It is now time that every young person, every parent, and every worker cast away every trivial excuse, and make this Message the business of their lives.

Dear young man and young woman, now is the time to begin planning for next year. If it is not possible to go out to earn your scholarship in selling magazines or books, plan with father and mother now, that your combined efforts with God's help may make it possible for you to enter school in the fall of 1912.

C. L. STONE.

Concerning the Georgia Conference

HAVING been called to the presidency of the Union Conference to succeed Elder Chas. Thompson, it was necessary to secure a president for Georgia. Elder LeRoy T. Crisler of Florida was unanimously chosen at a meeting of the Conference Committee held in the Dixie church February 22. Brother Crisler has arrived and assumed his duties. His present address is 169 Bryan St. Atlanta.

I desire to say to the brethren of Georgia that in Elder Crisler you will find a loyal, earnest man. It was my privilege to be associated for several years with him in pioneer work. He will need your hearty co-operation and support. I bespeak for him the same co-operation that has been accorded me in the endeavor to build up the work in the great state of Georgia.

In closing my immediate connection with the Georgia Conference I wish to express my appreciation of the hearty support and willingness on the part of all to assist in advancing the work. The conference has made a steady growth. Several new churches have been added. Harmony and good will prevail throughout the field. May the blessing of heaven rest upon the conference, giving prosperity in the closing work is my prayer.

C. B. STEPHENSON.

Florida Items

ONE of our Mission teachers, Jacksonville writes that she returns again this month in that throu...

FIELD TIDINGS

efforts another has been won to accept the Sabbath and delight in it.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward Hawkins of Minneapolis, Minn., spent a few days with friends, at the Florida Sanitarium last week. They with Dr. L. E. Parmele spent one evening at the home of Elder and Mrs. R. G. Stringer all of whom were colleagues at Battle Creek. The visit brought pleasure, and happy reminders of by-gone days. As names were recalled of the students of those days it was gratifying to note that nearly every one is actively engaged in God's work. It pays to educate the youth.

We take the liberty to quote the following from a letter just received from Elder C. V. Achenbach, who is now holding meetings in the Brooker church.

"We are having an excellent interest here. Last night there were about one hundred and fifty people in the church. They crowded into the church until every seat was taken and some had to stand. I certainly love to preach to hungry souls, and we are hoping that some here will accept the truth before we have to leave.

The church is taking a deep interest in the meetings, and this is a great encouragement to us. We have a number of invitations to visit the out-siders, and we certainly will make good use of these opportunities."

South Carolina

I VISITED the Spartanburg Sabbath-school and Young Peoples' Society, March 2, and found that they are doing good work. The teachers are all awake to their need of a more thorough preparation for the important positions which they hold. Teaching is more than simply asking the questions from a paper. How important that the lessons in unfolding the Scriptures may be given to the children and youth in the simplicity of Christ! The teacher to be successful must not only have simple methods, but must take sympathy and love into the Sabbath-school. The children will very soon recognize this element and be influenced by it.

We see that throughout all the

teachings of Jesus, his weightiest ideas and most sublime truths were given in the most comprehensible and simple manner. Light must be reflected from Jesus, the wonderful Teacher, and the souls of the children must be illumined with the divine glory of His character and love. Thus the children will be led to "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world."

The Young Peoples' Society is certainly coming to the front. Every member is active. They are ready to work, and are taking steps to prepare themselves for greater usefulness. Twelve manifested their desire to take the Reading Course which was encouraging.

We are planning to hold a Y. P. M. V. Convention, April 13, 14; and the Spartanburg church has kindly offered their church and homes for our service. Some of the subjects to be discussed are,—The Spiritual Needs of Our Young People, Suitable Literature, Standard of Attainment, How Our Young People May Help Foreign Missions, and Lines of Work, as House to House Work, Bible Readings, Cottage Meetings, Canvassing, Teaching, Missionary Correspondence, Christian Help Work, and Home Work.

We hope that all of our seventy-one young people in the state, and as many older ones as can, will attend these meetings. It is time for our young people to arouse. The great need of workers demands their help. The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few.

The Sabbath school work in this state is rising. We have fifteen Sabbath-schools with a membership of over three hundred. We have set the goal at seventy-five dollars a quarter for our donations. I hope all our members will remember the fifteen cents a week that they are expected to give. This includes our Sabbath school donations, Second Sabbath and Religious Liberty offerings—any offerings that we do not use for our own local work. Remember, "the Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

BERTHA BARTHOLOMEW.

South Carolina Items

ELDER BRANSON will leave Charleston this week, and spend a short

time in Clinton.

Elder W. H. Armstrong has moved his family to Spartanburg, and will canvass for a time.

Brother R. M. Carter spent Sabbath at home. He reports that the canvassers are all of good courage.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Swingle are again at home in Woodruff, after spending the winter in Charleston.

Bro. J. F. Grichtlow is moving from Winnsboro to Orangeburg where tent meetings will begin for the colored people as soon as the season opens.

Norris Levern is the name of the little son which came March 6 to gladden the home of Brother and Sister A. L. Manous in Nashville, Tenn.

Those who expect to attend the Missionary Volunteer Convention at Spartanburg, April 13, 14, should write to the local secretary, Miss Ada Acker, 132 Forest St., Spartanburg, S. C. in order that arrangements may be made by the reception committee for your entertainment. The opening session will be held Friday night at 7:30.

Notes From the Union

THE Atlanta Sanitarium has undergone some very necessary improvements lately, and presents a very inviting appearance in the interior. The bath rooms have been thoroughly gone over and some changes made which we consider very valuable to the institution. The institution is prepared to give good service.

Elder Carlyle B. Haynes who has been invited to work in the Union, and make his first effort in Atlanta, reached this city Sunday, March 3. The old Dr. Len Broughton Tabernacle has been secured for meetings, and work is in progress preparing the house, and advertising. It is expected that services will be begun the last Sunday in March.

Prof. Hiatt has returned from an extended visit in Florida. He visited all the schools in that conference, and brings a favorable report.

Brother Cole made a short stop in Atlanta on his return from Columbia, S. C., where he had been assisting in institute. While in the city, he at

FIELD TIDINGS

tended a meeting of the Sanitarium Board of which he is a member.

Elder Stephenson spent last week in the office. While he was here, several business meetings were held.

Remember April 6 has been set as the date for the offering for the orphanage work. Let all the churches remember the homeless and fatherless on that date.

C. B. STEPHENSON

Among the Colored Churches in Florida

AFTER returning from the Union Conference held at Graysville, Tenn. January 8 to 15, in harmony with the committee of the Negro Mission Department of Florida, I began at Ocala, a visit among the churches.

Our brethren here are of good courage, and are trying to live the truth day by day. As a result of their visiting and giving out papers and tracts, quite a few are interested. I was here five days holding meetings nightly. Altho the inclement weather interfered, we had a good attendance. The last night four united with the church and will be baptized soon.

Lakeland:—The brethren here are of good courage. I spent two days with them, speaking of the wonderful providence of God in leading out in this movement, and the certainty of its final triumph in the near future.

Tampa:—Here we have a faithful little company. We have not been able to give them much help, but I hope that something will be done soon. They are standing firm for the truth.

Palmetto:—Brother Harry DeNeal lives here alone, but he loves the truth of the third angel's message. He was glad to know that he was not forgotten, being so far from any church. He asks the prayers of all who love the truth of God.

Plant City:—At one time the largest mission school in the state was conducted here by Sister E. L. Sanks and Lula Monford. At present it is not what we would like to see. A public school opened near by which has caused some hindrance, nevertheless our brethren are not discour-

aged. Pray for them.

Bartow:—At this place live Brother and Sister Baker, and also Sister Martha Green. These are members of our Lakeland Church, thirteen miles away. They are full of cheer and hope.

Punta Gorda:—A pleasant and profitable time was spent with this little church. While here four were baptized; all of whom were young people of the Punta Gorda Mission School taught by Annie Butler.

Orlando:—Here our brethren are full of courage, and will soon have a

house of worship ready for service.

Jacksonville:—The faithful working members of this church are meeting in their new building erected last fall.

I now leave Florida for Georgia which is to be my future field of labor. While I am pleased to be where the Lord wants me to be, I shall never forget the work in Florida. To my brethren in the Florida field, God be with you till we meet again.

Until further notice address me 169 Bryau St., Atlanta, Georgia.

J. W. MANNS.

Canvassing Report

Southeastern Union Conference

(week ending Mar. 9)

Name,	Book,	Hrs.,	Ords.,	Value,	Helps,	Total,	Del.
CUMBERLAND							
W. B. Parkins	PPF	38	25	\$44.00		44.00	
J. D. Finley	PPF	42	16	25.00		25.00	
John F. Wright	PPF	28	16	18.50	6.50	25.00	
Walter Kirkham	PPF	38	10	17.50	2.00	20.50	
R. E. Hicks	CK	26	17	27.50	6.75	34.25	13.50
Fred Chapman	CK	45	20	33.00	8.28	41.28	1.30
GEORGIA							
Kate Howard	BF			16.00	4.50	20.50	9.50
J. R. Wilbur	BF	42	8	8.00	8.90	16.90	45.50
J. D. Andrews	PPF	36	8	14.00	50	14.50	5.00
M. J. Weber	PPF	24	24	2.50		2.50	27.50
L. D. Wright	PPF	48	16	33.50	7.25	40.75	
Joseph Thompson	CK	24	8	13.00	1.25	14.25	
C. W. Hester	CK	22	10	20.00		20.00	
R. O. Terry	GC,D&R	13	11	28.00			
NORTH CAROLINA							
J. W. Siler	CK	26	1	1.50		1.50	99.00
J. P. Allran	CK	31			2.50	2.50	77.00
E. E. Messinger	CK	40					63.65
R. P. Patterson	CK	36	26	40.00	6.25	46.25	7.75
W. E. Patterson	CK	29	29	43.50	2.50	46.00	3.25
A. L. Underwood	CK	27	26	41.00	6.25	47.25	6.25
N. D. Ingram	CK	36	6	9.50	50	10.00	10.50
Mrs. E. A. Wing	Misc.	9	10	11.00	1.50	12.50	2.50
Oscar Page	BF	16	13	14.00	1.00	15.00	1.00
Irregular	Misc.		2	3.00	5.80	8.80	8.80
SOUTH CAROLINA							
C. H. Holland	CK	32	23	33.00	11.75	44.75	5.75
D. L. Jones	CK	22	21	36.00	8.75	44.75	2.00
G. B. Case	CK	42	22	32.50	6.00	38.50	
Nora Goodwin	BF	31	17	19.50		19.50	
Mrs. Ina Carter	Watchman	11		22.30		22.30	22.30
Miss F. Putnam	Watchman	9		11.30		11.30	11.30
Summary							
Cumberland		217	104	165.50	24.53	190.03	14.50
Georgia		209	63	135.00	22.40	157.40	87.50
North Carolina		253	115	163.50	26.30	189.10	279.70
South Carolina		137	83	154.10	26.50	181.10	41.30
Grand Total		816	365	618.10	99.83	717.63	423.00

FIELD TIDINGS

Published Weekly By The
Southeastern Union Conference
Of Seventh-day Adventists
GRAYSVILLE, TENNESSEE

Subscription Price 25 cents a year

T. D. Rowe, Editor

Entered as second class matter Feb. 16,
1910, at the Post-office at Graysville, Tenn.,
under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Cooking Oil Notice

COOKING OIL direct from refinery pure, healthful, delicious. Bbl. (50 gallons), 58 cents a gallon; one-half bbl. (31 gallons), 59 cents a gallon; five gallon can, \$3.25; 10 gallons, \$6.25; 8 one-gallon cans, \$6.00. Cash with order. Lookout Cooking Oil Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Unlucky Thirteen

It is gratifying to note the progress of the thirteen (yes unlucky "13") taking the Reading Courses. Some are reading their last book and all seem determined to finish the course. The spirit of quiet determination among the readers indicates that they intend not to be conquered by adverse circumstances, but to conquer. Rev. 21:7.

"The tendency to persevere, to persist in spite of hindrances, discouragements, and impossibilities—it is this that distinguishes the strong from the weak."

"Comparisons are odious", but all Georgia Missionary Volunteers are hereby warned that at the end of the present quarter there will be sent to the FIELD TIDINGS for publication a comparative report of labor from all of our societies. To the baby society that has led all others in the past, I would say "look to your laurels", for the elder sister bids fair to set an example in good works that all of us may do well to follow. The faithful work of each individual should be reported to his or her respective society. Nothing done in the name of Jesus is too small to be recorded on the fair record sheet in heaven, so remembering this. Let us report faithfully all work done.

By way of encouragement it might be only fair to say that our

recording secretary at Washington writes that the report ending Dec. 31, 1912 was the largest in the history of the Missionary Volunteer work in Georgia. Nine items she said were larger than ever before, and she ends the letter by saying "I hope our young people of Georgia will continue to send us such a splendid record in all lines of christian activity."

Now who is it that could fail to report after such a cheering communication from one whose heart is cheered by a good report? The present quarter is almost gone. Let us, all seek the Lord for new and deeper experiences in winning souls for Him the coming quarter.

To the fathers and mothers in Israel I would whisper a word. "The camp meeting season will be upon us by the close of another quarter. Shall it find some of our boys and girls still in the valley of decision or shall we have led them up to the sunny hills of faith? Ah, fathers and mothers, let us on knees with strong arms of love about our children and youth present them daily to the Lord until Malachai 4:6 is fulfilled in us and the living treasure intrusted to our care.

By way of reminder to the faithful ones handling the Temperance *Instructor* the following places and persons might be mentioned as those needing this number of the temperance annual; Public libraries (and private ones) public schools, Sunday-school superintendents, leaders of young peoples societies, (call at their homes or visit their meetings) ministers, W. C. T. U. workers, prohibition office seekers, every voter, U. S. soldiers, crew, and passengers on ships, railroad men, lawyers, doctors, farmers, merchants, shoppers, saloon keepers, and their patrons, every private home especially the cook, neglect none. Wherever there is a soul lets go after it, if Jesus died for that soul and offer it the cleansing gospel of health, physical and spiritual. Remember March 30 and India! As we give, let us pray that God may bless.

DAISY TERRY

Notes of Interest to
the Colporters.

THE Florida conference has voted to hold a colporters institute at such

time as the field agent shall arrange with the Union conference brethren. They also voted that for such colporters as sell and pay for \$1.000 worth of books during 1912, the conference pay the railroad fare to the General Conference up to the amount of \$25.00 and that the conference concur in all of the actions taken at the late Union Conference, regarding the colporter work.

The Cumberland conference committee has also voted to pay the railroad fare of the colporters that sell \$1,000 worth of books during 1912 and pay for same, if the meeting was held at no greater distance than Nashville, and if held at a greater distance, they will pay as much as \$25.00 fare to those who care to attend.

All the local conferences of the Union have indorsed this plan of sending their Thousand Dollar Caversers to the next General Conference with the exception of one, and from the word that has come from this one, they are only waiting for a meeting of their conference committee as they too, are favorably to the plan.

The book and periodical work for 1912 has an encouraging outlook at the present in our field. To the Lord be all the praise.

V. O. COLE.

The Watchman

The Present Truth Evangelizer

THE *Watchman* is meeting with good success. Thus far this year every edition has been practically sold out. With the coming of the summer months and our agents getting into the field and desiring a good seller, we would say that the *Watchman* expects to maintain its usual standard. We receive encouraging words of commendation from all over the country, and truly our magazines are doing a good work. We are glad that we have a part in this work.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASS'N.