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RECENT CHANGES AT OAKWOOD

As all of our readers know, the Spring Council that recently convened at Oakwood reached some important conclusions with reference to the work here. Among others things, it was decided by the brethren to ask Professor Boyd who has been connected with this school for ten years, to take up field work in behalf of the colored work. Professor J. I. Beardsley of College View, Neb. was then called to the responsibilities of the principalship of the Oakwood School.



Professor C. J. Boyd

Professor Boyd is well known to our constituency as well as to our leading brethren as a man of progressive energy endowed with constructive ability and an optimistic determination that carries him to his goal where others fail. We who have been associated with him in the every-day duties of school administration, have found him untiring in his efforts to bring about increased efficiency in every department of the work. How well he has succeeded is at-

tested by the fact that the school has now grown to the place where it can rightfully assume the dignity of a junior college. One thing in which Prof. Boyd has been especially successful is in getting men not of our faith, and especially Northern manufacturers and business men, interested in our work to that extent that they will make liberal donations of material or means for the up-building of the school. He has made several visits to Northern cities and has each time secured generous donations of needed material that has been used for the improvement of the facilities of our school. It is doubtless his ability to meet and win the cooperation of those who are able to help, that has led to his being entrusted with the important position he now holds. As Professor Boyd goes from us, it is not to sever his connection with the Negro Department or the Oakwood Junior College, but simply to devote himself more fully to that which he has done so successfully in the past, the securing of funds for this needy branch of the Lord's work and the encouraging of students to attend the school. He will also take an active interest in the many worthy negro church enterprises in the territory of the North American Division. Our prayers and best wishes go with him.

Professor Beardsley comes to us highly recommended by all who have had any acquaintance with him. He is not by any means unexperienced in school management, having been a most successful principal of one of our academies in Canada. He has for the past year had charge of the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer departments in the Nebraska Conference. Our brief acquaintance

with him is of the most pleasant kind. We are fully convinced that he will be a worthy successor to our respected Professor Boyd. As Professor Beardsley takes up the responsibilities of the principalship of the Oakwood Junior College, we ask for him the hearty cooperation of all in every effort he shall put forth to enlarge and strengthen the work in this place. We believe that the future is bright for the Oakwood Junior College and feel sure that the cause will be greatly



Professor J. I. Beardsley

benefited by the added strength that will come to us as a result of the addition of Professor Beardsley to the corps of workers in this department.

Look for Goodness

Do not look for wrong and evil—

You will find them if you do.

As you measure for your neighbor,

He will measure back to you.

Look for goodness, look for gladness;

You will meet them all the while.

If you bring a smiling visage

To the glass, you meet a smile.

—Selected.

Christian Unity

The Psalmist speaks of how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. Why should not God's people be a united people? There is one God, and one Lord Jesus Christ, one Holy Spirit, one Bible, one faith, one baptism. Certainly those who yield themselves to such a united gospel as proceeds from such a divine unity, must themselves be made one in Christ Jesus. Unity is a sign of true Christianity. God's remnant church will be a united body. One of the prophets says, "They shall see eye to eye." Paul says — "Without spot or wrinkle." Then, if we expect to be among the one hundred forty-four thousand we must be united in the bond of Christian love. Why should not Seventh-day Adventists be a united people? There is but one thing that will prevent it and that is sin; but we are exhorted, "Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, that you should obey it in the lusts thereof."

It was my privilege to see the spirit of unity richly manifested in the two colored churches in Lexington, Ky., recently. Because of a certain condition that came about thru misunderstanding, the new believers that were developed at that place some time ago were not united with the first church, but were organized into a new church. The brethren felt that this was not as it should be, and began to pray that the prayer of Christ for unity might be fulfilled in their experience, with the result that it was fulfilled. Elder Wight, president of the Southern Union, Elder Keate, president of the Kentucky Conference, and the writer, spent several days with them the latter part of May, and a complete reconciliation was agreed upon. The Memorial church will unite

with the First church and a larger church building will be provided for them. The closing service was a praise service. The spirit of the Lord was manifested in a very definite way.

Elder Brice, who has been Elder of the First church for a number of years, and brother Childs who is one of the charter members, expressed themselves as being very much pleased with the new situation, and expressed their loyalty to the organization. They said

THE COMING KING

'Tis darkest midnight's darkest hour;
The powers of darkness show their power,
While rampant Wrong stalks forth abroad,
And flings defiance up to God.

But look! A rainbow arches o'er
The skies that were so dark before.
Within the arch a brightness shows,
And brighter, and more glorious grows.

A fleecy cloud of purest white,
Emitting streams of living light,
With wondrous wheels of glorious gold,
And colors, beautiful to behold,

Draws near the world. 'The heavens quake,
The mountains from their bases break,
The streams flow backward, buildings fall,
And wicked men to mountains call,—

"Fall on us, shield us from His face!
O be for us a hiding place!
The day of his fierce wrath is here,
A day of darkness, dread, and fear!"

The righteous, with triumphant song,
Cry, "'Tis our God! we've waited long;
We've waited long, but now He's come
To take us to our promised home."

T. H. JEYS.

they had no sympathy with those who are trying to bring division into the body.

The way is now clear for Elder Campbell and his associate co-laborers to begin a strong tent effort in the city of Lexington. A splendid lot has been secured and in a short time the third angel's message will be sounding, we hope with a loud cry, to the people of that beautiful little city. To this end let us all pray.

C. B. STEPHENSON.

Good! Why Not Others?

We recently received an interesting letter from a sister in Ohio. We reproduce it in part for the benefit of our readers.

Dear Brethren:—

Doubtless you will be interested to know how one sister here has secured a number of orders for your interesting and much desired paper.

She has already received cash for eleven orders and expects soon to have sixteen, which will entitle her to the four books that you are offering.

This sister called to see me, and while I was busy with other things, I gave her a copy of the GOSPEL HERALD to read that had been given to me by a sister who is a subscriber. From the reading of that paper she received an inspiration to take up the work which she is now doing so successfully.

Signed,—

Others beside the sister mentioned in this letter have taken advantage of the liberal premium we offer for new subscribers. It is still good for a limited time. For four new subscribers we give any one of the following books *absolutely free*, provided only that full cash remittance for subscriptions accompany the order.

"The Tonga Islands"

"Two Cannibal Archipelagoes"

"Fiji and Samoa"

"Martin Luther"

For eight new subscribers as above we will send any two of these books; for twelve new subscribers, any three; and for sixteen, the complete set will be sent. It is surprisingly easy to secure yearly subscriptions to this paper at twenty-five cents a year. More of our readers should secure one or more of these premiums before the offer is withdrawn. Try it and see how easy it is.

Rags!

The following article is clipped from the *Southern Union Worker*:

The "anti-waste campaign" has struck this country, and it begins in a very vital place—with paper and the materials for making paper. There is at the present time a serious shortage of raw material for the manufacture of paper, including rags and old papers. Recently the Department of Commerce of Washington, D. C., sent out an appeal to superintendents and principals of the public and other schools, urging them to encourage the students to save all materials that might be used again in the manufacture of paper. The appeal says:

"Something like 15,000 tons of different kinds of paper and paper board are manufactured every day in the United States and a large proportion of this, after it has served its purpose, could be used over again in some class of paper. A large part of it, however, is either burned or otherwise wasted. This, of course, has to be replaced by new materials. In the early history of the paper industry, publicity was given the importance of saving rags. It is of scarcely less importance now. A little attention to the saving of rags and old papers will mean genuine relief to our paper industry and a diminishing drain upon our sources of supply for new materials."

This is an opportunity for the missionary volunteers to raise money for the goals. Leaders of the junior societies should encourage their members to gather and save these materials, such as cotton and woolen rags, old magazines, newspapers, cardboard, wrapping paper, etc. The following suggestions are made concerning the proper way to save these materials:

1. Keep waste material clean and dry.
2. Separate cotton and woolen rags.
3. Separate rags from old papers.
4. Separate magazines from other papers.
5. Tie in bundles for convenience in handling or put in bags.
6. Call on the nearest dealer in junk and rags.

Commercial organizations in the principal cities of the United States

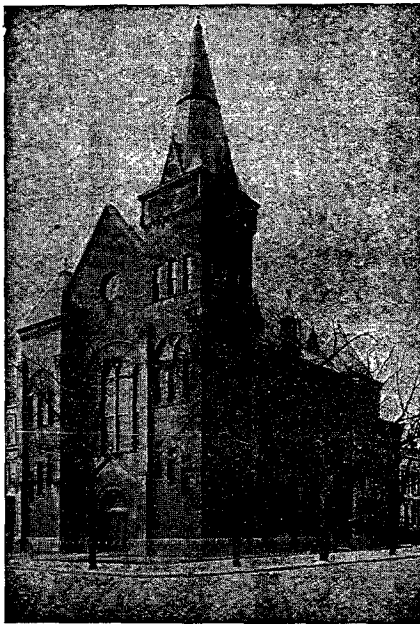
supply lists of local firms which assemble rags and paper and sell them to manufacturers. Missionary volunteers who cannot find a market for the collected papers and rags, should write to their conference missionary volunteer secretary.

While, of course, the price paid is small, all should remember that many "littles" saved in this easy way, will in the aggregate amount to a considerable sum.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT.

Another Memorial Church in Washington, D. C.

SABBATH, April 14, was a day of rejoicing to our colored brethren at Washington, D. C., as on that day they held their Sabbath serv-



ices in the church recently purchased from the Lutheran Reformed congregation.

This building is 45x65 feet, is of brick, with slate roof, has a good basement above ground, and auditorium with gallery, in which is a pipe organ that cost \$2,500 when installed. In the rear of the church is a dwelling built for a parsonage, valued at about \$3,000.

This property is on the corner of Sixth and N Streets, N. W., one block from one of the main street-car lines, and is in good condition. The purchase price, includ-

ing the parsonage, was \$18,750. These buildings were erected in 1892-93, and could not now be duplicated for \$35,000.

The North American Division Conference Committee and the Columbia Union Conference Committee, at the last autumn council, united with the local conference committee in the belief that the time had come to take definite steps to provide a place of worship, where school work also might be carried on, for our local colored brethren in Washington. Accordingly a resolution was passed at the council, providing for the purchase of such a place. Much careful thought was given to selecting a good site.

At first it was thought best to build, but on account of the cost of labor and material this was abandoned. Finally the building shown in the picture was secured, after a careful examination by a large and representative committee, in which the North American Division, Columbia Union, and District committees, as well as members of the General Conference Committee were represented.

The purchase price was paid at the time the property was deeded to us, but there still remains \$6,750 to be raised by the church and the District Conference. It should be mentioned that Mr. Scott, a real estate agent, whose wife is a member of the church, made a very liberal donation of his percentage in arranging for the transfer.

We feel sure that our loyal brethren and sisters throughout the denomination will rejoice with us that this substantial memorial for the truth has been established in so good a location here in Washington, the capital of the nation. Elder U. S. Willis, from Savannah, Ga., who has recently connected with the work in this city, is in charge of this church, and has begun an aggressive effort in behalf of his people, who reside in large numbers in the vicinity of the church. Let all pray that success may attend the efforts put forth to reach others with the message, and that from this new memorial light shall radiate afar to the glory of God.

T. E. BOWEN.

From the Firing Line

The following are some extracts from letters received from our student colporteurs. We are sure these reports will be interesting to our readers as they have been to us. Ed.

FROM a private letter from Leslie J. Pryor, Waynesboro, Ga. we select the following. "I had some good experiences this week. I went to a home Thursday evening where the family was seated on the porch. They invited me to sit down and then I began my canvass. When I had finished the mother stated that I was the very man she had seen in a dream. I took an order for \$5.50 at once. One farmer refused the book but was interested by some scripture quotations and told me to see his wife. She was afraid to make the order without his consent; and wanted me to wait while she looked him up. I stated that I could not wait, and went on with my work. Later they both came after me and gave me a \$5.50 order."

From Brother Gordon we quote: "On Tuesday June 5, we started from the city of Aiken, S. C. carrying the message from home to home and the passers by that we met. At some places we failed to get an order but at others we were more successful. At the end of the day our orders numbered sixteen with a value of sixty-one dollars."

Brother Gordon, like some other of our canvassers, does not have it all sunshine. He has met with some trying experiences which drives the canvasser to his knees and makes him feel his need of God. This is his first experience; and he with others asks an interest in our prayers.

Brother Jervis writes from his field in Georgia—La Grange.

"I have only realized \$85.00 worth of orders; and a few dollars of helps beside selling helps to the amount of \$3.30 for cash. Things are not moving very brisk, but I am trying by God's help to push it through."

Brother Little—"The field is practically devastated on account of the conditions now existing. The boys are all signing up for the

European front, and we are all left to stand the fearful odds. I have taken \$150.00 worth of orders in 9 days. A more experienced man probably would have done better, but it is all I could do, and I thank God for it."

Brother W. H. Baker who writes from Marvell, Ark., says: "I am getting along nicely. I think Brother Jackson also is. I sold \$343.55 worth of books last week, of which \$7.05 was for helps sold for cash. The harvest indeed is ripe, but the laborers are few. Many of the people wish they had their books now. The Lord surely has sheep in every place. Truly where there is one canvasser there should be one hundred."

Brother J. S. Spraggs says: "I arrived at my assigned territory late Wednesday. The first two days I put in twenty hours and booked \$27.75 worth of orders. On the following Monday, \$30.00. My whole number of hours last week was forty-three. Value of orders, \$106.50. The Lord is blessing me and I want to continue in his favor."

Brother W. E. Adams says: "I canvassed one family and did all I could but could not secure an order. After I left and had gone some distance, the lady followed me and said her boy wanted the book. So you see how the Lord works with us as he has promised to do. My courage is good. I realize the hand of the Lord leading me. God has blessed me with orders to the amount of \$900.00, since I came here."

H. D. Green writes from Houston, Texas, where he is now located doing house to house work preparing for a tent effort. "The people here are very friendly, but we are sure to have trials. Out in the cold world one meets with experiences that he does not have in the class-room. I find all my theoretical lessons come in handy in a practical way. I appreciate the educational advantages Oakwood offers as never before. Education means more than book knowledge; it means more than the ability to turn to any part of the Scripture. Unless one has the art of meeting the people and making friends his education is all in vain.

Meeting the people is one of the highest branches of education. I would not exchange my experience in the book-work for any thing."

The Goal for the Weekly Signs

THE goal set for the *Signs* weekly is "One Hundred Thousand Subscriptions by July." The only way to reach it will be for the members to go out after them. The Lord's promise is, "I will make you to become fishers of men." Fishers do not sit at home and wait for the fish to come to them. They go to the water with bait and patiently fish. If the promise has been fulfilled in the members, they will take bait and go after souls, and the *Signs* weekly is fine bait. If the promise is not fulfilled, the condition, "Come ye after me," has evidently not been fulfilled, for they go together. Such a condition should call for heart searching.

Some experiences will show the success some fishers of men are having:—

"A short time ago while sending out our missionary papers, we chose a man's name from a canvasser's list and sent him a copy of the *Signs*. A few days latter he met a gentleman near his home whom he knew to be an Adventist and told him that he had received a paper and paid him for a year's subscription."

"I have received several of your papers, *The Signs of the Times*, which I have enjoyed very much. They were posted to me while I was in camp. I do not know who sent them. I thought it was some unknown friend, but I have no friend who takes this paper. If your publishing company sent them, I thank you very much, for they put many a dull hour to flight. Will you tell me how I can obtain them? I will subscribe to the paper if you will tell me how much it will cost for a year. I should like to know what Christian body they represent. If you hold any evening services I would like to attend."

"The most interesting phase of our missionary work at present is the weekly *Signs* work. Tho only a small company of eight members, with the Lord's help and blessing and by systematic methods, we

have been enabled to work up our weekly *Signs* list to seventy-eight subscribers; but we do not plan to be content to settle down at that number, for surely the Lord has more than seventy-eight souls in this neighborhood whom he would have come to a knowledge of this present truth. We have therefore set our aim at one hundred before this quarter closes. You may be interested to know just how we work.

"From our weekly missionary meeting offerings we purchase from time to time, from the publishers, a gross of assorted back numbers of the *Signs*. After the secretary has stamped each one with the address of the hall and an invitation to the meetings, every member is given four *Signs* each Sabbath, and that member takes the oversight of four houses in the vicinity, each member following one after the other and leaving a paper in each home for four consecutive Sabbaths. On the fifth Sabbath, a tract is left with the announcement that at present we have no more *Signs* to give them, but if they have found the reading interesting and would like to receive more of the topics, we would gladly bring them the up-to-date numbers, which are even more interesting, and we have found that seventy-five per cent readily subscribe. In fact, oftentimes before we have given the fourth paper they volunteer to pay us.

"This work, with our tract lending, is done during the lunch hour. We go out in twos. Now that our lists have grown, the secretary does the delivering and collecting thru the week, thus enabling the other members to work new territory. This work provides good items for our missionary meetings."

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

Atlanta, Georgia

ON the 28th of May, the members and friends of the S. D. A. church gathered in our little chapel for the closing exercises of the Mission School. This was an extraordinary occasion, and every seat and inch of standing room was occupied by the large audience, and quite a number could not enter,

and were obliged to stand outside.

Mrs. M. J. Tate, and Miss Julia F. Baugh, our faithful teachers, had arranged everything perfectly and the members and friends had freely given flowers which were beautifully arranged so as to make the waiting time a real pleasure to the congregation; for many of them were in their seats long before the hour to begin arrived.

The children marched into the chapel from the school rooms in the rear and sat in a body on one side of the church. One by one the different numbers on the program were rendered without a break. The congregation was supplied with printed programs, and could tell how well the pupils had been trained. It was truly gratifying, and a rare treat, and a great inspiration to all to see how *great things* even little children can do, when trained according to God's commands!

While all the exercises were perfectly delightful, highly instructive, as well as entertaining, the most impressive thing was the presentation of a certificate to Pauline Emanuel, by Mrs. Tate the Principal of the school.

Pauline has attended our Mission school five years, was converted in the school, became a member of the church, and has been an active little Christian worker. It was a real pleasure to see her complete the required studies, and receive her certificate; but better still, she goes from us to Oakwood Junior College, where, by God's help as in the past, we trust that she will be enabled to pursue an advanced course, and to come out fully prepared to fill some place in this great cause of the Master, and to help finish the work.

Prof. O. R. Shreve, Dr. T. S. Tate, Brother W. E. Adams, and four other brethren from O. M. T. School, and the writer were out of town visitors, and enjoyed the occasion very much.

We ask the prayers of all the GOSPEL HERALD family in behalf of our work and workers here in this great city of the South, that many more souls may be attracted and won to this message as a result of the efforts put forth. ANNA KNIGHT.

OBITUARIES

WADE BAKER: Brother Baker was born 1854 in Evergreen, Ala., and died June 1, 1917 in Pensacola, Fla., where he has resided for the last forty years.

He embraced Christianity in 1900, and with his daughter Kate, stood alone for a number of years in Pensacola for the truth.

He united with the Pensacola church when it was organized in 1910, and was loved and respected as a Christian by all who knew him.

Brother Baker bore his affliction patiently after referring to his confidence in the promises of God.

He sleeps in Jesus, leaving a wife, six children and two brothers to mourn. Funeral services were conducted by the writer.

C. A. WILSON.

Why I Should Be A Christian

I SHOULD be a Christian so I can teach others the way of truth and how to be saved. This can be done only by forsaking the world and putting our trust in the Lord.

When we become Christians we lose a host of former friends, but it is better to lose our friends than to lose our souls. The Bible says, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

Why should we remain in sin when Christ died to save us from sin? Every provision has been made for us. The whole world would have been lost and finally destroyed without this gift. It may be our lot to die for Christ and his truth some day, but we should not fear those who can only kill the body but cannot kill the soul. It is only by constant prayer that we can be saved and kept near to Jesus and so hid during the time of trouble. In the world we shall have tribulation but Jesus says, "be of good cheer, for I have overcome the world." Jno. 16:33.

Written by Mary L. Barnett, fifth grade, Louisville, Ky. church school.

F. L. PETERSON, Teacher.

Send all your printing to the Oakwood Printing Department.

The Absent Saviour

But Mary, when she came where Jesus was,
Fell down before the Master's feet, and wept :
"Hadst thou been here, my brother had not died."

And Jesus groaned in spirit ; did she speak
But simple truth ? Had that dead brother known
His Lord's Calm presence, breathing life and health
And confidence and courage night and day,
Would he have lain three days and nights entombed ?
And had the sisters known his healing love
As never absent, never powerless,
Would they have born their brother on firm wings
Of faith, to health again ?

So you and I,
Would we but harbor that sufficient Guest,
Should have no space for vain regrets, for sin,
Discouragement, unkindness, all the brood
That drag ourselves and others down. And so
We whisper (not reproach, but self-reproach) :
"Hadst thou been here, my brother had not died."
—*Roy Temple House, in the Sunday School Times.*

God in his wisdom designated the day preceding the Sabbath as a day of preparation, in order that when the Sabbath came we should have our secular work finished and be ready to enter into its observance. Do you have a preparation day in your home, brother, sister? Or neglecting this, do you use some of the sacred hours of God's holy day to prepare,—to boil and bake, much the same as on other days? If so, are you keeping the Sabbath?

We are far from urging any pharisaical regulations in the observance of the Sabbath. God's day is a day of rest, not of bondage. But doing unnecessary things on the day God has blessed is breaking the Sabbath, and Sabbath breaking is sin. It will greatly help in the observance of the Sabbath to gather the family around the family altar ere the Sabbath begins and before it closes.

Then, too, there is a tendency, I fear, to let our minds dwell too much on business matters,—to think, plan, and discuss worldly affairs on the day of rest. Many talk of the crops, the prices of grain, and various plans to make money, and lay out on the Sabbath the things they expect to do the next week. I fear these things are sometimes discussed even in the church, both before and after services. Is this true Sabbath keeping?

Sabbath keeping is something more than ceasing from work on the seventh day. It is a spiritual work. We serve with the mind. We must have the spirit of Sabbath keeping, as well as the form.

Unless we are on our guard, we shall be led to devote the day to pleasure-seeking in some form, rather than to devotion. The Lord has given very plain instruction regarding this:

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day ; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable ; and shalt honor him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words : then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord ; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the
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Slackness in Keeping the Sabbath

SOMETIMES we are led to question whether the Sabbath is as sacredly regarded and as carefully observed as it ought to be, or as it once was, among us as a people. There is a blessing promised to those who keep the Sabbath, not to those who keep it according to their own ideas, but to those who keep it according to the instruction of the One who made the Sabbath. In these days of progress, and the ever-changing conditions of a complex worldly civilization with which we are forced constantly to come in contact, it is quite easy to depart from former simplicity, not only in Sabbath keeping, but in other things as well.

The Sabbath begins at sundown. But there is a tendency in many homes to allow the regular business of the week to hinder the family from beginning the observance of the Sabbath until after the sun has set and darkness is creeping upon the earth. Is this the way it is observed in your home? If so, are you keeping the Sabbath? The first hour of the Sabbath is as sacred as its noontide hour, and to work

during its first hour is no less a sin than to work at midday.

Nor does the Sabbath close till the sun is set. The last hour is as sacred and holy as any other of the twenty-four. Yet some are in such a hurry to get to their business that they find it impossible to wait till the holy Sabbath has passed. Is this your experience? If so, are you a Sabbath keeper?

Returning from work after the Sabbath has begun, reaching home from the market with groceries and other merchandise after sundown, is, I fear, far too common. It is time for a reform in the experience of many, and that they learn to keep the Sabbath in spirit and truth, —to keep it "according to the commandment."

The day before the Sabbath the Lord has named the "preparation day." Luke 23: 54; Ex. 16: 5.

"He said unto them, this is that which the Lord hath said, 'Tomorrow is the rest of the holy Sabbath unto the Lord; bake that which ye will bake today, and seethe that ye will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning.'" Ex. 16: 23.

Out of The City

ALL have doubtless read President Wilson's proclamation to the nation, the substance of which seems to be that those who will devote themselves to farming and certain other lines of industries will thereby be exempted from military service.

In setting forth the importance of maintaining the food supply of the country, he states the matter as follows: "Thousands, nay hundreds of thousands, of men otherwise liable to military service will of right and of necessity be excused from that service and assigned to the fundamental sustaining work of the field."

This national proclamation which goes out to the whole world seems like another call from God to our people to "get out of the cities" and locate in rural districts before the final crisis. "Get out of the large cities as fast as possible."—*Vol. VI, p. 195*. "Out of the cities, is my message."—*Vol. VII, p. 93*. "Let the farmers, financiers, builders, and those who are skilled in various arts and crafts, go to neglected fields to improve the lands, to establish industries, to prepare humble homes for themselves, and to help their neighbors."—*"Ministry of Healing," p. 194*.

Of course our people who are qualified to render efficient service in the cities should not overlook the propriety of remaining in these centers of population to quickly finish the work.

It thus appears from the President's proclamation that God has, temporarily, at least, opened the way for our people who are not directly employed in the work of the message to still engage in an occupation which exempts us from military service.

May God give us wisdom and discernment to recognize his providence in these auspicious times.

K. C. RUSSEL.

With the Colored People of Denver

THE work of the Lord in proclaiming the three-fold message among the colored people of Denver is making some progress; and while it is not being received as rapidly as we should like to see it go in

times as important as these days in which we live, yet we are grateful to see a few, after learning present truth, bold enough to stand for it in the face of the world that scoffs and ridicules them for doing a thing that lacks popularity. Twelve have been brave enough to face the frown of men for the smile of God, and we pray that they may be as determined as Joshua, who allowed all liberty to serve the gods as seemed best to them, but for himself and for his house, he was determined to serve the Lord.

One sign of progress that seems especially helpful is the increase in tithes and offerings. Our Sabbath school is giving about four times as much as they did a year ago, and the tithe has increased much more than the offerings. Yet God's desire for the tree that bears fruit is that it be pruned that it may bring forth more fruit. So with the church; if all would render the tithes which is the tenth, regularly, the world would soon perceive their strength and crave association with those who are strong spiritually, mentally, morally, and financially, and the statement would vanish in their minds and cease being uttered by their lips, "It is vain to serve the Lord, and what profit is it that we have kept his commandments?" Mal. 3:14.

CHAS. S. LIGHTENER.

A Helpful Course

THE Bible Chautauqua Campaign offers a free field training course in advanced evangelistic methods in soul winning. Practical daily instruction will be given in connection with Chautauqua Lecture series under a large canvass, beginning June 10, at Little Rock, Arkansas. The following are some of the subjects offered in this course;—Preparing for an aggressive city tent effort; new methods of evangelistic advertising; economy in advertising, how to meet opposition, and avoid debates; how to secure the aid of the public in our efforts; how to hold and develop an interest; how to build up a choir of outside talent; effective way of binding off an effort; and uniting new believers into church organization; how to use public issues to further our in-

terest; how to conduct effective health and temperance campaigns; how to secure newspaper aid in our work; advanced methods of handling our literature in the large cities, and how to make it pay.

This course will require three months to complete it. Those who have been unsuccessful in field work, may find help from such a course. The instructors are experienced and tried laborers. If any desire further information, kindly write to the undersigned,

SYDNEY SCOTT.

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OBITUARIES

JAMES BURNS.—Accepted the truth in January 1917, joined the Seventh-day Adventist church during his illness, subject to baptism and died in the triumphs of the faith while undergoing an operation. He leaves a wife and one child to mourn their loss. A large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral to pay their last tribute of respect to the deceased. Funeral conducted by the writer. C. A. POWERS.

MRS. NANCY NOBLIN was born in Louisiana in 1862. She accepted the truth in September 1916, thru a series of Bible Readings, and was baptized the same month. Death came to her while on her knees in the midst of a prayer meeting, whither she had come to bring her tithes. She was a devout and faithful member until death. The church joins with the family in mourning her death. The writer officiated at the funeral services.

C. A. POWERS.

Keep your face with sunshine lit,
Laugh a little bit.
Gloomy shadows oft will flit
If you have the wit and grit
Just to laugh a little bit.

The man who permits his pleasure
To interfere with his business,
May reach the point
Where he won't have any of either.

We are not what we think we are,
But, what we think, we are.

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earth and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Isa. 58:13, 14.

We are here enjoined to turn away from our own pleasure, our own words, and our own ways on the Sabbath, and a most wonderful blessing is promised to those who do this. But those who allow themselves to grow slack and careless in the matter of keeping the Sabbath, can never enjoy to the full the blessing that is here promised.

"A partial observance of the Sabbath law is not accepted by the Lord, and has a worse effect upon the minds of sinners than if you made no profession of being a Sabbath keeper. They perceive that your life contradicts your belief, and lose faith in Christianity. The Lord means what he says, and man cannot set aside his commands with impunity."— *Testimonies for the Church, Vol. IV, p. 248.*

We should keep the sacredness of God's holy day ever before us, and consider most prayerfully whether we are in any way departing from the simplicity of Sabbath keeping enjoined in the Word. Let us be observers of the Sabbath, not in form only, but in the very truth, that we may receive the approval of the Spirit, and the fullness of the blessing of the Lord.— *G. B. Thompson, in Review.*

Georgia Notes

Sister Sarah Shivers was laid away to rest May 25th. She was a faithful worker in the cause of God until her health failed. We expect to meet her on the resurrection

morning.

Brother J. H. Hillman was also laid away to rest May 30th.

As our Heavenly Father has taken away these dear ones from us, let us submit ourselves to Him, and say, "All things work together for good to them that love God." Romans 8:28.

When I went to Macon to bury Sister Shivers, I had the privilege of taking a brother and a sister into the church.

Pray that God may use the writer to help other men.

Our tent meeting in Augusta is in full swing. Two have taken their stand for the truth of God. R. E. WILLIAMS, *Augusta, Ga.*

JOTTINGS

The students and teachers at Oakwood are all very busy with their summer activities. The busiest department at this time of the year is the farm. About sixty students will remain with us thru vacation and most of them are spending their time in helping to make the old farm produce something to lay by for next school year. We hear so much just now about the production of food stuff, and Oakwood is doing her best to do her part. Our crops in general are looking fine. A walk over the Oakwood farm, with its two hundred acres, will prove an inspiration to anyone who is interested in growing things. We have 115 acres of fine corn, with scarcely a hill missing. It is almost without a weed at this writing. It is just about waist high. We have forty acres in cotton, twenty-five acres in drilled peas, five acres in sweet potatoes, two acres in Irish potatoes, three acres in water melons, four acres in tomatoes, five acres in sorghum, one acre in beans and four acres in other vegetables. We are having warm weather, frequent showers and many other evidences of God's care for this work.

The night of the 19th of June was the time; the Sanitarium was the place; G. W. Wade and Mrs. Emma Addison were the contracting parties. Professor Halladay was the minister; of course it was

a wedding. GOSPEL HERALD extends congratulations and best wishes.

Our Mechanical Department and our Normal Department have found it desirable to unite there interests in a more definite way than heretofore; and accordingly secured the necessary permission from the government, and on the afternoon of June 7 Elder Walter Bird united the heads of these departments in holy matrimony. The members of the faculty and their families were gathered at the home of Professor Boyd, ostensibly for a dish of ice cream together, when to the surprise of all, Professor Halladay and Miss Bertha Bartholomew marched into the room to the music of the wedding march played by Mrs. G. H. Jeys, and the simple but impressive ceremony was soon over. All join in wishing these tried workers a long and happy life together.

Misses Valah Dillen and Bessie Segraves spent a week with the workers at Oakwood recently. Their visit was very much enjoyed by their friends here.

Sister Lillian Warnick-Crichlow of Nashville, Tennessee, spent a few days at Oakwood recently. Her two older children accompanied her and will remain in the orphanage here.

Ere this paper reaches our readers, Professor Beardsley, the present principal of Oakwood Junior College will be on the grounds. He is expected to arrive about July 1.

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Colored Camp Meetings Southeastern Union

South Carolina, Columbia, July 26th to August 5th.

North Carolina, Winston-Salem, August 9th to 19th.

Georgia, (), September 6th to 16th.

Cumberland, Knoxville, September 20th to 30th.

Florida, Orlando, October 4th to 14th.