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Faculty and teachers in attendance at the Summer School.

Summer School

JUNE 5, at 9 a. m. the second summer school for the Southern and Southeastern Unions opened at Oakwood Junior College, Huntsville, Ala., with the following teachers enrolled:

Mesdames,
Beatrice M. Shepard
J. A. Godley
Ella B. Canty
T. S. Tate
L. W. Crichlow

Misses,
Lucile Long
Anna Ward
Maude Dixon
Letitia Samuels
Julia F. Baugh
Frances J. Clark
Mary E. Jones

Mabel G. Campbell
Jennie Stratton
Mary L. Buckner
Mary E. Miles
Edna M. Bryan

Later the following enrolled:

Mesdames,
Annie E. Battle
C. C. Roberts
J. A. Wesley
M. A. Murphy
Margarette S. Sweedenberg

The instructors are Prof. J. I. Beardsley, Mrs. C. C. Lewis, of Washington, D. C., Elder W. L. Bird, Mrs. F. W. Halladay, Prof. C. S. Corkham, Miss Etta L. Reeder and the educational secretaries.

The first Summer School was held in June and July of 1916 under the Secretaries of the two union

conferences mentioned, Professors Lynn Wood and Leo Thiel with their corps of workers. A great deal was accomplished by bringing the teachers together, and unifying our efforts, and looking forward to standardizing our mission schools as well as our church schools; at the same time giving attention to the various needs, as far as possible, of the individual teacher. Just how much good was accomplished is better appreciated by those who attended the school; however, the excellent work done by them in the field is evidence to us that it paid, and we feel justified in holding another school this summer, and are confident that the results will be even more gratifying than in the past.

We were glad to welcome several new faces among those whom we had known before. When we think of the many little companies and churches in our two Unions still without teachers, our hearts are made sad, but here we find a live hope set before us.

We believe that the presence of these teachers here with the Oakwood Junior College students will inspire in the students a desire to speedily qualify themselves for a like service.

Among those who are enrolled as teachers are four new graduates of Oakwood, and from the list of teachers in the field, we have eight who have formally attended the school, the majority of whom are also graduates.

We praise God for this institution, and for what it has done and is doing in preparing teachers for our needs. Our only regret is that there are not more of our young people scattered throughout these states enabled to avail themselves of the advantages of the school.

There are many places in our Union where we could have schools if we only had more teachers. After making a tour of the Cumberland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, Conferences I listed sixteen places where requests were made for teachers. I learn that three of the four of our new teachers have already been invited to take up work, and so we must wait another year for others to finish, and by that time there will be more calls than we can fill unless a large number of young people plan to come to Oakwood and be trained for the work.—“It is the nicest work ever assumed by men and women to deal with youthful minds.” *Christian Education*, p. 5.

Who will then make up his mind to take up this nice work? Think of only twenty-eight teachers for the whole Southern field! This must not be allowed to continue.

We pray God to raise up more teachers to go out quickly, and help finish the work. “And who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?” 1. Chron. 29:5. More than a score of young people have been converted and added to the church in the Southeastern Union alone during the past

year, to say nothing of the other fruit that will yet mature from the seed sown through the efforts of these faithful toilers,—our mission school teachers.

As nearly as we have been able to ascertain, during the school year that has just closed, we have operated in the three Unions twenty-eight schools, with twenty-eight teachers, and with an enrolment of about 700 pupils, 495 of whom were in the Southeastern Union.

While we are thankful for this, yet we could wish it were double at least; and to this end we solicit the prayers and cooperation of all. You can do this by sending your boys and girls to Oakwood, helping toward some one's expenses, and above all by praying for these in charge of the institution, and the inmates of the school.

ANNA KNIGHT.

Newberry, S. C.

NEWBERRY county lies in the west central part of the state of South Carolina. Newberry, the county seat, is a thriving little city of five thousand inhabitants, one third of which is colored.

A small church of sixteen members has been raised up here. After returning from the Hillcrest farm the writer was asked to teach the mission school at the above named place, which I did. We rented an old, vacant, two-roomed house, and for desks we used some of the old benches that had been used in the tent during the summer. We had about two yards of cloth blackboard a part of which had been used in the tent also. With this equipment we began school on the seventeenth of September, with grades from one to seven.

Altho this is the first year that we have conducted school here, some of the people are beginning to see that there is a difference in their children receiving a Christian education, and a secular education, and have promised to send their children to us. One lady in sending her little boy to school for the first time said she was sending him to us because we teach the Bible, and that she was glad to be able to get him started right.

The school is not all that we could wish; and though the Lord blessed

us, we feel that we could have accomplished more if we had had better facilities.

MRS. J. A. GODLEY.

Sumter, South Carolina

LOCATED at Sumter, S. C., a city having a population of twelve thousand, about six thousand of whom are colored, is one of the youngest schools in the state. The church was organized here about three years ago.

At first services were held in a rented building, not much larger than a good sized room. Since then they have erected a church building which is neat and commodious. It is not clear of debt, but we hope to have it so in the near future. We have had a school here each year since the church was organized, and this term it was quite successful. The enrollment was fifty-two with a daily attendance of about forty-seven, until the last three weeks, when some of the pupils were compelled to work on the farm.

It would fill one with interest to see how eager the boys and girls are to learn, and with few exceptions, they made their passing marks. From this school we hope to send some of our boys and girls to Oakwood Junior College, where they will pursue their education, and be prepared for a place of usefulness in some branch of the work. The Bible is the book we try to instill into the mind and heart of the pupils. Our whole aim is to try to save our children. We want to send them out into the world as missionaries indeed, and in order to do this the foundation must be carefully laid, that the building may stand when the storms of life shall beat against it. We are moulding character in our mission schools as well as in our colleges.

The school is progressing, although we still need more equipment, such as a few maps, or a globe, and some more text books. Would be glad for any donations, for we hope to send out teachers, ministers, and other missionaries who can say they received their first training in the Sumter Mission School.

MRS. ELLA B. CANTY.
628 W. Liberty Street, Sumter, S. C.

Wilson, N. C.

THE city of Wilson is situated in the northeastern part of North Carolina. It has a population of 10,205, about one half of which is colored. In this city we have a church with a membership of twenty-five. We are occupying the second story of a two-story rented building and, our school is held in the same building.

The past year our school began October 1, with an enrollment of seventeen. The Lord blessed our efforts, and the school grew steadily from its beginning to its close. We now have an enrollment of ninety-seven, and a daily attendance of between forty and fifty. The school has a good influence in the city. Many parents took their children out of the public school and sent them to ours because they saw that the children who attend there, learned something of the Bible, and they wanted theirs to get this instruction.

About five-sixths of the pupils are Non-Adventist. They show much interest in their lessons, and have made rapid progress, but if more opportunities were afforded them, I am sure they would do better. Our school room is very poorly equipped. We have only a small amount of blackboard (about three yards), which is not half enough for the children we have in school.

We need better seats, a stove, a few maps, and many other things in order to do the work we ought to do. I am greatly interested in the school and also in the children. For the spiritual welfare of the school, I have Friday evening prayer meetings and Bible Readings and the children also engage in Missionary work.

I trust by God's help, all who realize the great need of our schools will do all they can to help us. We thank you in advance for your prayers, and all the help you can possibly give.

LUCILE A. LONG.

Newbern, North Carolina

THE city of Newbern, N. C. has about 10,000 inhabitants, and about half of them are colored, I think. The city is beautifully situated on the Neuse and Trent

rivers and is one of the oldest cities in the state.

The school here had been going on for about half of the term when I was asked to finish on account of the teacher's resignation. It was January 14, 1918 that I took charge.

The school house consisted of a room in the back of the church. The church of which it is a part is a nice building and of a pretty design. There are folding doors between the church proper and the school-room, and a small side door to use when the folding doors are not convenient.

You will find inside as furniture three medium sized blackboards, some long benches, perhaps a dozen, with planks nailed on top for desks, a stove, a box of crayon, a table for the teacher, the stool part of a chair, a broken chair, and two drinking glasses. As nearly as I can remember this is all the equipment we have.

When we entered the school-room my three children, Glayds, Wesley and Julia Curtright said it did not look like a school to them. I thought much but only said "It is alright."

The first day I had about fourteen pupils. The enrollment finally reached twenty-eight.

The pupils nearly all came from Seventh-day Adventist homes. There were five who were from other homes. When school began only five reported as members of some church, but when school closed all desired to be baptised except those not from Adventist homes. The pupils took this stand during "Week of Prayer."

The people cooperated with me well and I had very little trouble of any kind.

We had a "Parent's Day" Program and those who came enjoyed themselves and expressed thanks to God for the work being done.

The children were active and joyous workers in school and in their church work and Home Mission work and Missionary Volunteer work. The Y. P. M. V. society is very much alive and growing.

About half of the children were promoted. Attendance was irregular, or more would have been promoted I believe.

We prepared a cantata called

"A Child in the Midst," but which I called after changing somewhat, "Jesus and the Children," for our closing exercises. Both children and parents took great pleasure in this effort and spent the time necessary to prepare it cheerfully. We were handicapped in this because we had no instrument in the school-room to practice upon. The children learned the words and music without an instrument.

This school is in great need of maps, books, and Manual Training helps and a school instrument, a school clock, bell and dictionary.

The church workers seem to be consecrated and the school is a necessity and a joy.

MRS. B. M. SHEPARD.

Miami, Fla.

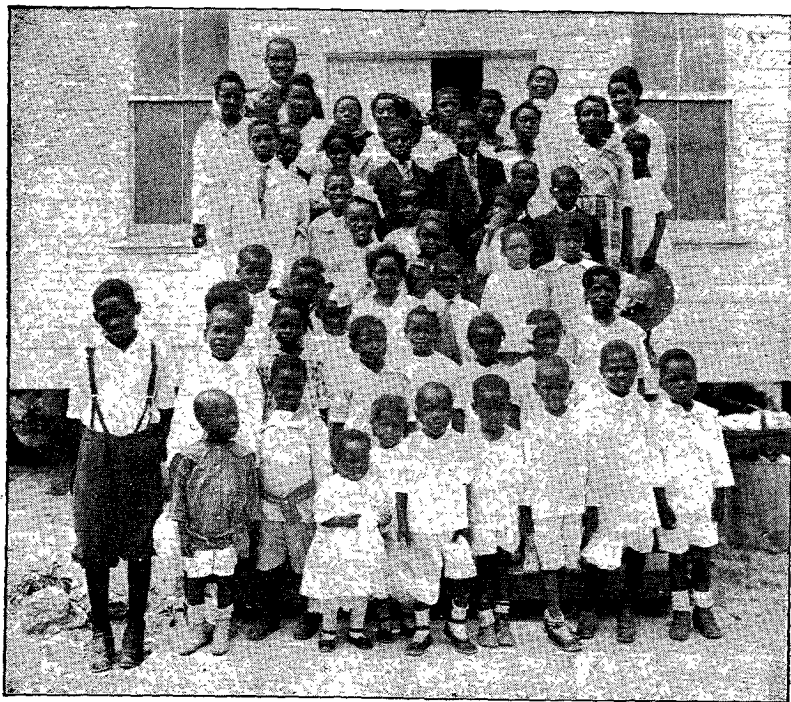
THE magic city, (better known as Miami), is situated on the extreme eastern coast of Florida. Miami has a population of eight thousand, and is a great winter resort where hundreds take shelter from the bleak winds of the North for at least three months of the year.

On October 22, 1917, we opened our first church school with an enrollment of eighteen. Although the results of our first year's work have not been all that we would like to have seen, yet God has blessed our efforts and we feel assured that by his help the work will continue to grow.

We are holding our school in the church at present, though we hope that very soon we may have a place in which to conduct our work. Our enrollment has reached sixty, with grades ranging from one to six. Recently we succeeded in securing sixteen school desks and three black boards. While we are yet in great need of maps and other equipment, yet we are grateful for what we have, believing that in the very near future, God will supply all our needs.

We are especially glad to report two conversions in our school during the year. These with one exception, are the first children to become members of our church. We appreciate the prayers and help of our friends.

MRS. C. C. ROBERTS.



The mission school at Miami, Fla. Mrs. C. C. Roberts, teacher.

Punta Gorda, Fla.

PUNTA Gorda is a small town in Desota County situated between the Kissimmee and Peace rivers. It gives me great pleasure to report the progress of our work in this place.

I came to the town October 15, 1917 to act as mission school teacher for the small company of believers I found here. The church building is situated in the southern part of the town, in the suburbs. The school began October 22, 1917, with an enrollment of nineteen. It grew gradually till at present we have an enrollment of twenty-two bright pupils who give promise of being something for the Lord. The school has progressed nicely.

A great deal of missionary work was done in this little town by the children, together with myself. The children are greatly interested in in the school work. They are beginning to realize what a mission school really means. I am pleased to state that the Lord greatly blessed the effort put forth. Two are awaiting baptism. To God be the glory. I do not think that I could be more interested in the school work. I am especially interested in each child spiritually. I want them to have

that preparation that will enable them to stand when Jesus comes.

The school is very poorly equipped. It is in need of most everything that is necessary to carry on a school. We have practically nothing to sit on. The few seats which we have are very weak, and will not stand very much weight. I made a few and tried to strengthen some of the others. These seats I speak of did not have any desks. I made desks on each of the seats.

We need black boards. The school has about three yards in possession, in good shape. We need books. We have library shelves, but sorry to say they are absolutely empty of a book that could be called the school property. I will not mention our other needs at this time; I will only say again, that we are badly in need. As the eyes of the different readers view the printed page, I hope you will consider the situation. We are of good courage, and we are asking the Lord for great things.

ANNA WARD.

Montgomery, Ala.

MONTGOMERY, the capital of the state, has excellent educational facilities. It has six or more public

schools, two grammar schools and several private schools, besides the state normal school. All of these are for colored students.

In the very face of these free schools, by the aid God, we were able to conduct a little mission school with an enrollment of forty-nine.

School was held in the church building, one half of which is fitted up with patent desks, but these were not sufficient in number to accommodate our students so we had to use the church pews. The room is very well lighted and ventilated, and has a fair amount of blackboard space. The heating is very fair.

As we visit the homes of the children, the parents express themselves as being well pleased with the Christian training the students get in our little school. They are glad also to have their children separated from the floating masses that are generally found in the public schools.

The school was made up for the greater part of the children whose parents were not Adventists and through the children I have been able to visit all their homes. In some instances quite an interest was created in the third angel's message and the Savior's coming.

Several of the students attended Sabbath school, and quite a few of the grown up visited the church. All have promised to come during the summer. One of the parents who had children in our school six years ago, had in her possession an Education Reader, Book III, and as I was greatly in need of one, I asked her to sell it to me. She replied "No, I cannot sell it to you, because I love to read it next to my Bible. But if you promise to take special care of it, I will lend it to you." Of course I did not borrow the book.

I had several such experiences during the term, and can truly say the time is now ripe for the message. People who heretofore scoffed at the third angel's message and the soon coming Savior are now seeking to know of us the prophetic significance of things.

So as teachers we are teaching it to the children, they in turn will give it to the parent and thereby are helping to spread the message.

MRS. J. A. WESLEY.



The Savannah, Ga. mission school. Miss Julia F. Baugh, teacher.

Savannah, Ga.

SAVANNAH, with its sixty-five thousand, fifty-four inhabitants, is in the southeastern part of Georgia, at one of the deepest land-locked harbors on the southern coast. It is the oldest city in the state and has become one of our large shipping ports.

For five years our people have had a mission school here. Since the conference has given us a new church building, our school is now being conducted in the old church building just back of the new one facing Florence street. This building was formerly used for a mattress factory and still bears traces of its former use. It is well lighted, having four windows on the south and two at the east end. The school room is twenty-five by thirty feet. Some benches were left to us when the church moved into its new quarters, which Brother Arthur Champen has made into six double desks, which seat twelve children.

The enrollment at the beginning was much larger than at the close. However we were glad to have twenty-six for the closing. The purpose of our school has been to promote true education; to educate children not only for service here in this world for a few brief years, but to fit them for eternity.

The books we use are the "True

Education" series, our own denominational books. The majority of the children of our school are from homes of parents who are not Adventists. We are glad to report that nearly all of our Adventist people are sending their children to our school and I feel those who are not, are either handicapped by circumstances, or have not grasped the idea of what the purpose of our schools is.

We need text books, desks and blackboards and would appreciate donations from any one to help us supply these various necessities.

JULIA F. BAUGH.

Atlanta, Georgia

ATLANTA, a commercial and distributing center and the metropolis of the state; with its more than fifty-thousand colored population, is the home of one of our oldest mission schools, located at 209 Greensferry Avenue. This school was started some thirteen years ago as a night school for the mature people who had a desire to learn to read. They were so impressed with the idea of Christian education that the workers were encouraged to open a day school for the children, although Atlanta is noted for its good schools, and educational advantages.

We have gone through all the

stages of poor and rented quarters, and few or no text books, and other meager facilities, but in the year 1909, through the blessings of the Lord, we were given a neat little church building, with two school rooms in the rear, where the school has its home. For six years the writer has been connected with this school first as assistant, and now as principal. We have added yearly to our equipment, and are teaching the regular courses, using the denominational text books, as recommended by the Department of Education.

Another year has passed and we are thankful indeed to report a little advance in the work at this place. School opened in September 1917, with thirty-one children. The total enrollment for the school year is fifty-three. There was organized a Junior M. V. Society, and I am glad to say that the children were much interested, and did some real good work. Fifty papers containing blessed truths, and tracts on different subjects were distributed, which we pray may show some soul the way to the Lord Jesus. About fifty-five Temperance Number of the *Youth's Instructor* were sold. During the week of prayer, there was an outpouring of the Spirit of God, and four accepted Jesus as their Savior, two of whom were baptized into the S. D. A. church. We truly praise the Lord for the way in which he has led us in our efforts.

MRS. T. S. TATE.

Nashville, Tenn.

NASHVILLE has a Negro population of more than forty thousand. When we think of such a population as this, our church membership of a little more than a hundred seems small.

We have made a wonderful growth for the past two years. We have a comfortable church building, which is very spacious, having a main auditorium, two large wings and two anti-rooms. One of these wings is used for our school.

Two years ago we had enrolled thirty-two; the past year we had forty-four.

It is gratifying to see the interest which the parents are manifesting in the school. They seem to realize

the necessity of having their children attend schools taught by Christian teachers.

One thing very gratifying is to see many people of the world, who are pleased with our school work.

In our school we have students from several of the best families in Nashville, even though we are in the atmosphere of Fisk University.

It is well to mention that we are located in one of the most desirable parts of the city, where refinement, culture and wealth among our own race surround us.

The school room is supplied with comfortable seats and desks, wall black-boards and maps.

There are other things we need, but we are sure another year will bring with it better things for us. We ask of all who are interested in us your prayers for our success.

The future welfare of our people and race depends so much upon the development of the youth.

We were made to rejoice during the year when seven of the pupils expressed a desire to live new lives. Five of these were baptised and the other two are to be.

MRS. L. C. DERRICK.

Birmingham, Ala.

THE city of Birmingham is one of the largest cities in the South. It's colored population is now about 35,000 since all of the mining towns have been united into Greater Birmingham.

There are a number of coal and iron mines in and around this place together with a large number of manufacturing plants which employ thousands of helpers. Many of the travelers in the great exodus North, stopped here. The mass of people here must be reached by this last third angel's message. One means is by our church and mission schools. We need more and better schools in this Southland where we can train the children who will in turn go into homes that could not otherwise be reached.

A school of this kind was started here by one sister. Since it was difficult to secure a teacher at the late date, it had to be closed before the writer arrived in the field. It was reopened in November and continued until the close of the school term. New seats were secured and

a number of other helps, but the need is still great.

The school was held in the old church building, but this was not a suitable place for a school. We need a better location, the present site being in a low damp place almost impossible to reach in wet weather. We have been earnestly praying for the much needed change.

A great deal of magazine, book and tract work has been done in this city during the school term by the writer and helpers, and we pray that many may be gathered into His kingdom as the result. Nine were baptised recently.

Reader, are there any stars in this large city to be added to your crown, by your presence, prayers or means?

There's a battle to be fought.

Are you helping?

Are you fighting as you ought?

Are you helping?

There are many souls to win

From their evil and their sin;

Jesus wants us to begin;

Are you helping?

Yours for the finishing of the work. MRS. L. W. CRICHLAW.

Knoxville, Tenn.

OUR Mission School in Knoxville, Tenn. is located in the rear of the church, which is on a hill, surrounded by shady play grounds.

My experience began here four years ago; the first three years with an increasing attendance, having an average enrollment of twenty-five, and about one third of this number from now-Adventist homes.

The missionary zeal manifested by these children is gratifying, they having gathered about one fourth of the church goal in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. And not only are they interested in the Missions, but equally in the home field, distributing literature, and giving Bible readings.

One week one hundred and nineteen tracts were sold, and the total for the period was two hundred forty-seven sold.

One of the most enthusiastic little workers is a little girl from a non-Adventist home. She has never attended any other school, and she keeps the Sabbath, and attends Sabbath school. The burden of her little young heart, is to see her

parents accept this message while time lingers.

It has been my privilege to see several of these children go forward in baptism, and we feel that some good has been accomplished, but much more could have been done if our facilities were better.

Considering the meager facilities, and the great work yet to do, before time closes for eternity, we feel that what is done, to raise the standard of our work must be done quickly. To this end we solicit your prayers and means that we may be all that heaven requires us.

EDNA M. BRYAN.

Talladega, Ala.

SITUATED among the foot hills of the Blue Ridge Mountains lies the town of Talladega, with a population of seven or eight thousand people.

Last summer Elder T. B. Buckner pitched his tent and labored all summer. Thru God's blessing there were some believers raised up and a Sabbath school was organized with a membership of twenty-five or thirty. On October eighth, we rented a hall and the first Adventist mission school was started. The membership was eighteen at the opening. Many of the children were not from Adventist homes. Altho our school has not been all we would like, we are looking toward the future with a brighter prospect. We have a good blackboard, also a table about twelve feet long, around which twelve children may be seated. We ask the prayers of the faithful. We are struggling hard to reach the goal.

MRS. A. BATTLE.

Come to the Feast

IN the last clause of Luke 14, verse 17, we read these words;—"Come, for all things are now ready." To the Christian, this means much. It is an invitation from God to the supper of the Lamb. God is calling upon all to come to the feast. There was a time when the people of God studied types and shadows. They lived in an age of symbols, but today we live in an age of fulfilled promises; an age of light, an age of joy, an age when we can rejoice in a risen Savior, who bids

us, "Come, for all things are now ready."

It cost God his only begotten Son to prepare this feast for you and me; therefore, will you not come and partake of the feast which is made ready for us?

All are invited, rich and poor alike, the lame can come, the blind also, everybody, whosoever will let him come; "Come" he says, "buy wine and milk without price." "I am the living bread that came down from Heaven." All must dress alike, no mixed colors, the garments are all pure white and are prepared, and we must have them on. No other will be accepted, we must all have the same white robe. We can't afford to wear the scarlet robe of sin any longer.

Remember what is said of the man who went to the feast without his wedding garment on; he was bound hand and foot and was cast into outer darkness. We are now in God's vestry room, let us put our garment on. Soon and very soon the sentence shall be heard:—"Let him that is unjust, be unjust still, and he that is filthy, let him be filthy still, and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still, and he that is holy, let him be holy still. Behold I come quickly. The spirit and the bride say come, and let him that is athirst come, and whosoever will, let him come and drink freely the water of life." Let us not spurn the offer, for He is still saying, "Come for all things are now ready."

C. H. GORDON.

Impressions of Oakwood

MY coming to the Oakwood Summer School was a surprise to me, as I had not thought of it until a very few days before the school opened; but the invitation came and years of interest in this work and the appeals thru the Spirit of Prophecy could not be put from my mind, and I am very glad that I am here.

Oakwood is beautifully located. The surrounding country is rolling with two low ranges of the Cumberland only a few miles away. We enter the campus by a beautiful drive, passing Sunnyside cottage near the entrance. On the arched gateway is the name of the school,

and also a saw, hammer and plow showing that the school stands for the training of the hand as well as the heart and the head.

A little farther on we passed the "Pines" and entered the campus circle, around which are the sanitarium, chapel, dormitories, dining hall and the homes of the president and some of the teachers. These buildings were erected by the students. The rooms in the girl's dormitory are neatly furnished each having two single iron beds.

The chairs, tables, washstands, book cases and mattresses were all made by students, as well as the dining room chairs and the chapel seats, which are neat and substantial.

Our summer school is very interesting. All the students seem enthusiastic and anxious to get all possible help for next year. As the students tell of the conditions under which they are working, I can see why there have been so many calls for assistance. Scarcely a school has the ordinary equipment. All need books to start libraries, and indeed the library here in the college is very small and must be built up. The normal department has almost no books. How I wish that our teachers in other sections could understand some of these needs and help in this good work.

Altogether it is certainly a splendid place for our young people to receive their training as they finish the work in the mission schools. Many more teachers are needed to train these little ones that they may be workers. Truly the harvest is great but the laborers are few.

MRS. MYRTA KELLOGG-LEWIS.

Education Campaign SLOGAN

Every S. D. A. Home Personally
Visited

GOAL

Every S. D. A. Boy and Girl in
Our Own Schools
Every Student in Our Schools a
Worker

The Pressing Need Of Teachers

In normal times our educational officers have experienced much difficulty in supplying a sufficient

number of teachers for our local church schools. The shortage last year was more pronounced than at any previous time. Now that we are pushing a campaign to bring all our boys and girls into our own schools, it means that the need of teachers will be more pressing than ever before. We must increase the number of our elementary schools to accommodate recruits from this campaign. The question of how to provide teachers enough has been a vital one from the beginning of our campaign.

In a recent letter to our educational secretaries and superintendents, the General Department of Education has suggested these four sources from which to draw an added teacher supply the coming year:

1. Seventh-day Adventist teachers now in the public schools.
2. Those who have formerly taught, but are not now engaged in teaching.
3. The graduates from our colleges and academies.
4. Seventh-day Adventist graduates from Normal schools.

SPECIAL REQUEST

Will every teacher, prospective teacher, or person who would consider teaching, who belongs to any one of these four classes, be kind enough to write to the Union educational secretary, or the educational superintendent, giving such information as he may have about such persons?

There is no higher service that can be done for the cause of educating our children than to comply with this request, and otherwise work and pray to the end that our schools may be adequately supplied with teachers. We are working earnestly to bring in recruits, and we must not fail to make the best provision possible for their care and instruction. W. E. HOWELL

JOTTINGS

Good reports are coming in from our student colporteurs recently gone out into the field.

Brother Wilfred Nathan writes from Mississippi that he took over

five hundred dollars worth of orders the first week he was out. He is much encouraged, and says that he finds the people ready for our books.

Brother Chas. Jackson, writing from Summerville, S. C., says in parts, "Brother Jervis and I have arrived at our field all safe and have begun our work for the summer. This seems to be a fine section of the country. Although the people are a little scattering, yet they are kind and hospitable and seem to be reaching after more light such as our books contain. They are not satisfied with their present knowledge concerning the Word of God. I truly believe that we are doing an effective work. Pray that the Lord will bless us in our undertaking."

Brother Claude Gordon also sends in words of cheer. In another column we print a letter from him.

Work is just now begun on the new calendar for the Oakwood Junior College. It will be ready for mailing in a few weeks. We urge every young man or woman who has a desire to get a Christian education and a fitting up for God's work to write at once for a calendar, and as soon as they are off the press one will be mailed to you.

A Ford automobile has been purchased to do passenger hauling for the school. There is a trailer attachment that serves as a light truck, and is proving very useful in dealing with our transportation problems.

This number being a summer school special, some interesting matter from other contributors has been delayed until next month. No field reports have been thus dealt with, however. We hope that all will feel free to report the progress of the work in your own particular field, so that we may all know what things God is doing for us.

We are glad to report the health of the summer family generally good. All are very busy on the farm, in the garden, in the kitchen, or in the shops. We are enjoying very much the privilege of having the teachers attending the summer school with us.

We were pleased to have Mrs. Russell and daughter of Birming-

ham, Ala. with us for a brief visit. They were guests of Professor and Mrs. Beardsley whose relatives they are.

It is not too soon to begin planning to attend Oakwood Junior College next year. Now is the time to get a preparation to work for the Lord, and nowhere can our colored youth get this better than at Oakwood. Write for a calendar now before you forget it.

Professor F. L. Peterson expects to leave us soon for Washington, D. C. where he will probably engage in the tent work for the remainder of the vacation.

(By the Summer School Teachers.)

The Summer School is being appreciated by those who are attending. Many are taking special work, a privilege which has been long wanted.

The members of the class in "Daniel and Revelation" enjoy their work under Elder Bird, even though they are not allowed to give facts without proofs.

Oakwood is looking for several students from Nashville the coming year. Our young people should be encouraged to come to Oakwood and get the good things in store for them.

The world is crying "hard times" and "scarcity of food" but Oakwood has a Matron in the person of Mrs. Cunningham, who knows how to figure the cost of food and to manage in the preparation of it, too.

Many who are attending the Institute are above their "teens"; nevertheless we are made to feel very much at home to be addressed as "girls" by some of our instructors.

The members of the Summer School are trying to get the most out of it possible. We so well know the needs of our people and we want to supply their needs as far as possible. To be such teachers as would please God, we must get the best preparation that can be had. This we are trying to do. When we leave we are determined to be better teachers than when we came here.

The classes in "Primary methods" and "Normal training" are getting valuable training under Mrs. Lewis of Washington, D. C. We regret that we can not be with her longer.

We are gratified to note the marked improvement made by the Y. P. M. V. S. within the past two years, and feel sure that with the continued interest on the part of the officers and members, the work will prove a blessing to many.

We are in favor of the Summer School every year if we can have such teachers as are on the faculty this summer.

The chapel exercises get to be more and more helpful. They make us think, and they make us work, and they make us rejoice.

The Round Table is becoming more helpful and interesting as we are asked to put into effect the law of self-effort in education. Each teacher is given a question from the table and asked to lead the discussion of this subject. Notice being given a day or more ahead.

We are sure that the home folks and old friends will not be able to identify us by our handwriting if we continue to profit by the instruction being given by Prof. Corkham.

The work we are to do is great and yet we know we are able to do all things through Him who strengthens us. We can but do our best. The Atmosphere here is charged with the spirit of work and growth.

Many thanks to Elder Bird for the liberal use of his private library.

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