

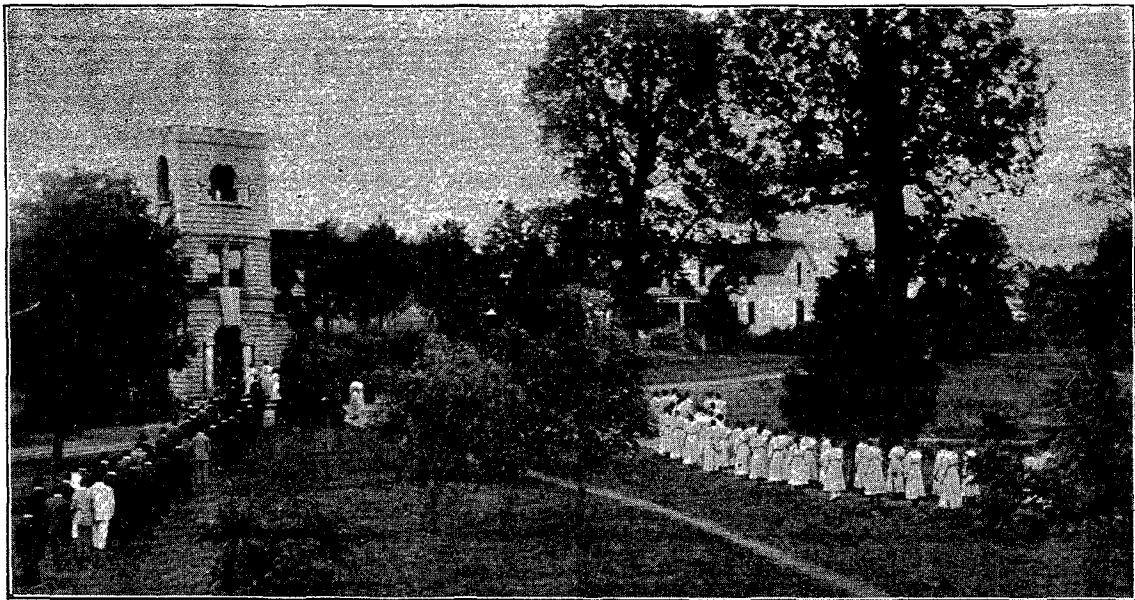
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Marching In

FINAL APPEAL September Collection for Oakwood Junior College

As we are nearing the September Collection it is fitting that you should know the work that has been done by those who have attended the Oakwood school, and of the Department in general, so that you may feel free to give liberally to the same.

The school belongs to the Educational Branch of the Department, and has been established for nearly a quarter of a century and has since been struggling hard, in spite of mistakes, to fit men and women to work with this last Message among our people everywhere in this land. As the demands of this work have grown among us, it has been necessary to raise the school to a Junior College, which calls for a larger outlay of funds.

While it would be out of place for me to give a detailed outline of the progress of those who have attended the school since it has been started, yet I must mention a few things that I have seen in my journeys. I have visited several tent meetings and churches since the middle of July and am beginning to attend the campmeetings.

Elder Dasent has held a good tent effort at Nashville, Tenn., adding quite a number of faithful ones to the cause.

Elder Peters' effort at Chattanooga, Tenn., was very well located near the City Hall and Post Office. And after a series of stirring meetings, he closed with about forty new Sabbath keepers.

Elder Buckner is at Anniston, Ala., where he is conducting a good campaign in spite of delay in getting started and much rain. A goodly number have already begun to obey the truth.

Elder Lawrence is forging ahead with a great meeting at New Orleans, La., 500 to 600 attending thru the week, and 800 to 900 present Sunday evenings. His collections are averaging \$40.00 a week. The congregation is made up of as good and refined a class of people as can be found anywhere. Already more than forty have actually begun Sabbath keeping, and it is safe to say that when the tent and campmeetings close there will be at least sixty or seventy-five obeying the truth.

The above meetings I have visited; but I hear that Elders Humphrey of New York City, Strachan of Baltimore, Md., Rodgers of Washington, D. C., Green of Florida, Ford of Chicago, Ill., Campbell of Indianapolis, Ind., Bradford of Omaha, Nebr., Nunes of Oklahoma, Scott of Dallas, Tex., Phipps of Springfield, Ill., and others are having very successful efforts that will bring many souls to the cause.

The only organ of the Negro Department.

Most of these ministers have received some training at Oakwood while quite a number of their helpers are at present students of the institution. This will show you that the good hand of our God is in the progress of this Message among our people throughout the land, and that what you may do for the school and department in the September collection you will do it unto the Great King.

"And the King shall answer and say unto them, verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40. W. H. Green Secy. 638-30th St., Detroit, Mich. Written at New Orleans, La. Tent and Camp Meeting Aug. 12, 1918.

Chautauqua Series No. 2

Evangelist Sydney Scott Delivers A Lecture On The Subject, "Fatal Bargain." His Subject Sunday Night Will Be "The End Of The World In This Generation."

At the Chautauqua cloth pavilion, located on Central Ave. and Good St., Evangelist Sydney Scott delivered a lecture on the subject, "Fatal Bargain." He said in part: "A bargain is a contract, or an agreement between two or more persons, as related to an exchange or purchase of any object, whether good or bad. God made, and gave the earth to the children of men, Psa. 115:16; Gen. 1:25-27. The earth was created to be inhabited, Isa. 45:18; and by righteous people, 2 Pet. 3:13. God planted a garden in Eden, the beauty spot of all the earth, and this was Adam's home, Gen. 2:8. His offspring were to design their homes after the pattern of Adam's residence.

Contrary to divine injunction, one day Eve wandered from her husband's side to an enchanted spot, where the tree of knowledge of good and evil was. This tree's fruit abounded in beauty, with monotony broken by a burnished gold, winged serpent, regaling himself in its boughs. The devil hid himself in the garden, close enough to talk to Eve, through the serpent. He secured her attention long enough to read her facial expression sufficiently to answer her query, which vibrated her heart with a temptation, that led to the "fatal bargain."

The serpent after tempting Eve to eat the forbidden fruit, inspired her to hasten to inveigle her husband's feet in the same net. The devil and Adam entered a bargain. In this deal Adam lost God's glory to himself and to his offspring Rom. 3:23. Figuratively speaking, Adam "ate wild grapes and his children's teeth were set on edge," of sin. The race was sold without money, So Christ redeemed it without silver, 1 Peter 1:18.

The first earthly home was lost through sin, and it will come back to the saints through faith, Micah 4:8. The wicked will be burned up completely, Mal. 4:1-3, and not a coal left big enough to warm by when it is done, Isa. 47:14. This fire will come down from heaven, Rev. 20:9. This fire will renovate the whole earth 2 Peter 3:10-13. There is no hole in the earth where sinners will be pitched, but on the top side of the earth, will they get their reward, Prov. 11:31, and this will be in the lake of fire, Rev. 20:10. In place of the old earth, the "new heaven and the new earth" will be ushered in, Rev. 21:1-3. The New Jerusalem will be the metropolis of the new kingdom, and its size will be 375 miles square, Rev. 21:16. All the righteous will come forth out of the graves at the first resurrection, I Thess. 4:16; 1 Cor. 15:52-53. God's kingdom of glory will be set up, and His subjects will be heirs with Him and joint heirs with Christ, Rom 8:17. Then the saints will inherit the earth forever, Psa. 37:11; Matt. 5:5. The curse will be lifted, and the knowledge of the Lord will cover the earth as the water of the great deep.

The stirring events transpiring today, indicate we are nearing the "end of all things," 1 Pet. 4:7. The decrepitude of mother earth, spiritual declension, political intrigues, war spirit, increasing perilous times, laxity of morals of society, coupled with perplexing situations facing the nations of earth are enough to inspire close investigations of the prophecies relating to our time and day. May God help us to keep pace with the stirring relations of this age.—A clipping from one of the largest newspapers in Texas, which journal is publishing one sermon weekly, as delivered from the tent in Dallas, Texas.

From One in High Authority

DURING the Colorado campmeeting recently held in Denver, the Governor of the state paid a visit to the camp one night and spoke to an audience of between 2500 and 3000 people. We take the liberty of printing his address as it appeared in the *Central Union Outlook*.

"Ladies and gentlemen, you have often gathered for religious worship in the many years gone by, but never have you gathered, and never will you gather at a time that is more serious for your country than this hour, never at a time when the Christ you worship means so much to the hearts of the sons of men.

"You have honored myself, the chief executive of your state, by inviting me to be present at this gathering tonight. No one who is vested with high authority at this time can meet with an earnest God-fearing people such as this which is assembled here, and listen to the eloquent prayer I heard a moment ago by Professor Ruble and receive the gracious introduction that a man of God has given to your governor, without leaving this assembly at least resolved to be more faithful and efficient in public service. Would that our people, and those who are honored with high authority might be thrown more frequently together, to express the thoughts we have in common and consider our mutual interests. It helps us all, you as the sustaining citizen, I as the one who, for a brief time is vested with high authority.

"We have no more patriotic citizens than those of your faith. It is not necessary to advert to the service flag suspended in this cotton tabernacle; it is not necessary to advert to this little volume bearing the flag of your country and in the uniform of your soldier (holding a copy of the khaki "Steps to Christ"); it is not necessary to advert to your nurses who are out, many of them, in this struggle, to prove the patriotism of this people. I was impressed much just before the convening of this assembly at your governor's being honored with a visit from your bishop and two brother clergymen. They knew well the patriotism of this people; the governor knew well the patriotism of this people; but they were very solicitous that the

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least suggestion might be observed that there might be no possible misunderstanding arising out of this gathering. They showed a solicitude that few of us have exhibited, that no possible misconception of the attitude of this people could exist.

"It has been my good fortune to know many of your people as I have journeyed through life. I have known them as nurses at the sick bed, have seen their skill, their tender solicitude for those in illness, have seen their whole actions permeated with the teachings of the Christ. I have met members of your faith in public office. Years ago I was judge of the district court in this state. I served with Judge Holbrook, who did honor to mankind and honor to your faith. When governor of this state, one of my first appointees was a respected member of this faith, Senator Pearson. Colorado never had a better citizen. He was largely the author of the Industrial Commission Act, which controls the relation of labor and capital in your state today. It is by men and women that you send out to the world that the efficiency of your teaching is borne out, and you are known, wherever I have known your people, as a God-fearing, industrious, patriotic citizenry.

"Now this great war is on, and long it is destined yet to be. Such is the belief of those in high authority at your capital city at Washington. Just a few days ago I was there. The Doctor (referring to Elder Daniells) remembers the great expanse of buildings being constructed between the White House and the Potomac. All around the environment of Washington is preparation for war. Those that are best advised believe that not two years will see its close. It behooves you and me to make every effort in our homes, every effort along the useful lines of your faith to do our duty. I know you will; I trust I shall.

"And when this war comes to an end, may the Christian spirit which our people from the time our republic was launched and has been the faith of this country, may that Christian spirit come into those who are assembled at the council table. May justice be meted out to

Belgium; may desolated France receive that which is right; may artistic Italy receive the rectification that she deserves. And when we come to deal with the foeman, let the spirit of magnanimity and of justice mark the course of this great nation of ours. Let there be no spirit of revenge, but the spirit of recognition of the rights of men, where there may be political and religious liberty, and where peace for all time may be restored to the world.

"Now I want to thank you in conclusion again for the honor that you have done in asking Mrs. Gunter and myself here. The greeting, the beautiful greeting that you gave us as we ascended the platform—the flower of our state is here, the flag of our country is here, more eloquent still, the service flag is here, and may the time not be long before these stars shall go into glorious victory."—in *Pacific Union Recorder*.

President Wilson On Missions

IN a recent communication to the Methodist Episcopal Society the President stated:

"I entirely agree with you in regard to the missionary work. I think it would be a real misfortune, a misfortune of lasting consequences, if the missionary program of the world should be interrupted. There are many calls for money, of course, and I can quite understand that it might become more difficult than ever to obtain money for missionary enterprises, but that the work undertaken should be continued, and be continued as far as possible at its full force, seems to me of capital necessity, and I, for one, hope that there may be no slackening or recession.

I wish that I had time to write you as fully as this great subject demands, but I have put my whole thought into these few sentences, and I hope you will feel at liberty to use this expression of opinion in any way that you think best.

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON.

A Great Question

IT is written, "A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work today in my

vineyard. He answered and said, I will not; but afterwards he repented, and went. And he came to the second, and said, likewise. And he answered and said, I go sir; and went not. *Whether of them twain did the will of his father?* Matt. 21:28-31.

In this parable the two sons represent two classes of individuals. The same commission is given to both, but one does one thing and the other something different. The question is asked, *Whether of them twain did the will of his father?*

It is evident that the two classes brought to view in the parable must be church members, for they are sons of the owner, being born into the household. Then, too, both knew that their father had a vineyard, that it required care to make it fruitful, and thus, others (strangers) would be needed to help in the work. The commission was very plain. "Son, go work today in my vineyard." It mattered not what their answer was, or what they had previously done, the commission was for *today*, and what they actually did determined their faithfulness to their father.

The parable does not state that the second son did nothing. He may have had many cares and been doing a worthy work according to his own preference, but, he did *not* do the will of his father.

Today we are living in a time when the cares and pleasures of this life are leading many away from doing the will of God. Many are serving their own preferences or will. Yet, "All who would be sons and daughters of God must *prove* themselves coworkers with God and Christ and the heavenly angels. This is the test for every soul." Christ's Object Lessons, Page 283.

Having made a profession we are now listening to the commission, "Go". What our answer is matters not, but our works will show whether our profession is genuine. The will of the Lord for every Seventh-day Adventist is the proclamation of the third angel's message. Our monthly magazines form an excellent medium for doing this work. Will you, therefore, settle this great question at once, by selling a few magazines each week and thus helping in finishing the work of the gospel? C. E. HOOPER.

Keep informed by reading the GOSPEL HERALD.

A Neglected Duty

"MA wants to know if you'll let me and Clyde stay over here today, while she goes over to Niltonsburg as delegate to a big convention. She'll be back by bedtime."

It was not the first time that my neighbor, Mrs. Stimperson, had preferred a request of this kind. I was particularly busy that day, and it would be extremely inconvenient to have Clyde and his mischievous little Maggie around from nine in the morning until the same hour at night; but one never likes to offend a neighbor, and I told the children that they might stay.

"Are the other children at home?" I asked.

"Oh, no! Ma was afraid they'd burn the house down, or something. Myrtle's gone to stay with Metta Dean at her house, and Harold is at Mrs. Warfield's. Mrs. Warfield didn't want to keep Harold, but she said she guessed she'd have to, when I told her ma had already gone, and the house was locked up."

Only two weeks before this, Maggie and Harold Stimperson had arrived at my house, bearing the following note from their mother:—

"DEAR MRS. HOWLAND: I am going to ask you to allow Marguerite and Harold to be your little guests today, while I attend the annual meeting of the Home Improvement Society, of which I am secretary.

"It will be an all-day meeting, and I am so intensely interested in all the themes on the program that I will hardly reach home before night, but I shall feel quite easy about my darlings while they are in your loving care.

"Harold has a nap at half past two o'clock, and as I dislike any variation from fixed rules regarding my children, I hope, dear Mrs. Howland, that you will insist on his taking his nap, even if you have to use a little gentle force. Kindly disrobe him and put on his nightshirt, as his sleep will be more restful and beneficial.

"Marguerite has brought her books, and must devote at least four hours to study. Will you kindly see that she does this?

"Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I am, Sincerely yours,

"ADELAIDE STIMPERSOON."

Mrs. Stimperson's duties as a member of various clubs, having for their object the interest of the home, the spreading abroad of the gospel of progress, the cultivation of the mind and the general amelioration of the human race, left little time for the care of her own household.

There is a limit to even neighborly patience and kindness of this sort, and Miss Susan Ward felt that this limit had been reached when Myrtle and Clyde Stimperson arrived at her home one day when she was in the midst of what she called her "currant jell work."

"Good morning, Miss Ward," said Myrtle, cheerily. "We've come to stay all day."

"You have, hey?"

"Yes," replied Clyde, "and I am awful glad you're making jelly, for we can have the skimmings, can't we?"

"What did your mother send you over here for?" demanded Miss Ward.

"She had to go to an all-day meeting of the Woman's Progress Club," replied Myrtle. "It tells all about it in the *Herald*."

The *Herald* chanced to be lying on a table near Miss Ward, and she read this paragraph, with a little snort of indignation.

"At two o'clock Mrs. Adelaide Stimperson will read one of her delightful and scholarly papers entitled, 'A Neglected Duty.' It will treat of some of the neglected duties of wifehood and motherhood, and is certain to be useful and helpful to all who hear it."

Miss Ward threw the paper down on the floor in a manner indicative of much suppressed feeling. She looked at the children. Buttons were missing from their shoes, and Clyde's bare little knee peeped through a hole in his stocking. He had on a soiled collar, but no tie. He was only six years old, but he had evidently made his toilet unassisted, and there were indications that he had all of a boy's inborn abhorrence of soap and water.

Myrtle who was ten, was quite as unkempt and as much in need of general care as her brother.

Miss Ward compressed her lips tightly; her black eyes flashed.

"I've a neglected duty of my own to perform, and I'll perform

it," she said to herself. Then she said to Myrtle,—

"Where are the other children today?"

"Marguerite and Harold are over at Mrs. Little's, and me and Clyde are here."

"I see that you are," said Miss Ward, grimly. "Poor little youngsters!" she added, "it isn't their fault after all."

At a little before two that afternoon, Miss Susan Ward surprised a good many people in the town by appearing on the street with the little Stimpersons. They were exactly in the condition in which Miss Susan found them. There was not a clean face nor a clean pair of hands among them; not a garment was whole; not a head of hair was neatly combed; and a more surprising array of misfit and badly-made garments was never seen in one respectable family.

"Come along just as you are," Miss Ward had said, grimly.

The meeting of the Woman's Progressive Club was public that day, and there was a large attendance. It was two o'clock, and the president of the club had said,—

"The next number of the program will be given by Mrs. Adelaide Stimperson, who will read a paper on 'A Neglected Duty.'"

"I guess they'll see several neglected duties," muttered Miss Ward, as she marched down the aisle to a front seat, with the little Stimpersons following her in Indian file.

"There's our mama!" cried little Harold, as his mother came forward. "Here we are, mama! Miss Ward's fetched us to hear you speak your piece."

"I fetched them to help illustrate the paper," said Miss Ward, boldly, as she directed the children to seats directly in front of the platform.

But the paper was not read. It's author turned pale and then crimson before saying,—

"I—I—beg your pardon, Mrs. President and ladies, but I must ask to be excused. Perhaps I could come in later on in the program. There has evidently been some misunderstanding among my friends. My domestic duties require my immediate presence at home."

Once outside the hall, with her family and Miss Ward, she asked indignantly,—

"What does this mean, Susan Ward?"

"It means," calmly replied Susan Ward, "that some of your other friends and myself have concluded to remind you of a neglected duty or two of your own,—a duty that takes precedence of your duty to the world at large. Do you see the point?"—*Abridged from the Household.*

Vivisection

VIVISECTION is defined as the performing of cutting on a living animal. It is usually done for the purpose, or professed purpose, of study and investigation, that the surgeon may become more skillful in his dealing with his human patients. There have been many unlearned who have felt to oppose the practice on the ground of humanitarianism. The advantages to be gained, it is held, are small compared with the agony and unnecessary suffering it entails upon the poor dumb creature that some enthusiastic investigator may be gratified. Much has been written and said, both for and against it. Being only an on-looker, and not having had the necessary experience, I cannot say much about the merits of the case. I cannot tell whether the practice is necessary or not. If by it any help is found that ministers to the needs of man, I suppose it will be conceded that there is a good and lawful excuse for the practice.

There is, however, a variety of vivisection that I am well acquainted with. It is practiced by many supposedly good people. So far as I know, no benefit has every resulted from it to any living creatures. Ladies, who have been known to faint at the sight of a drop of blood, and who would recoil with horror if it were proposed to take their pet poodle and cut off a leg, will engage in this other kind of cutting with absolutely no compunctions whatever. Men, who have grown eloquent as they have described the sufferings of the trembling victim of some cruel monster in a surgeon's garb, have with no hesitancy plunged into this variety of vivisection of which I speak and have seemed to take a keen delight in the work. The remarkable thing about it all is that in every

case of this kind of vivisection it is a human being who suffers. As in the case of vivisection upon beasts, the victim is an involuntary and unwilling one. He is not asked whether it will please him or not. In fact, it seems that those who practice this kind prefer an unwilling rather than a willing subject.

The tool used is a sharp instrument that has in it the bitterness of gall. Those who suffer the ordeal writhe and try to escape; but the more he suffers, the better it seems to please those who once get a passion for this kind of operation. Oh, no, it is not ordinarily called vivisection—it is called gossip.

T. H. JEYS,—
in Northern Union Reaper.

Are Seventh-day Adventists Loyal to Their Government?

THE following is a portion of an article by Elder F. M. Wilcox which appeared in a recent number of the *Review and Herald*. Space forbids printing the entire article.

"The readers of this journal have no doubt as to the loyalty of Seventh-day Adventists to the Government under which they live, nor do their friends or neighbors of other churches, who are acquainted with their teachings and with their experience through the years, have any question regarding the matter. It remains for one or two religious-political papers, which for years have been carrying on an un-American propaganda looking toward religious legislation involving changes in our national, fundamental law, to make the charge of disloyalty against this church.

"The reason for this charge is not far to seek. It is found in the logical, consistent and usually successful opposition which the journals of this denomination have given to the religio-political schemes which such papers as the *Christian Statesman*, and other journals representing the views of the National Reform Association have endeavored to promote. It has been only a few days since we read the diatribe which the *Christian Statesman* published several weeks ago. This is our excuse for not dealing with the question at an earlier date.

"We count it a waste of time and space to reply in detail to the

childish charges against this denomination which the writer in that paper makes. We will only say in passing that it would have been more in accord with the spirit and standard of dignified Christian journalism to confine the compliments paid to Seventh-day Adventists to a discussion of their principles rather than to descend to the employment of slander and innuendo. However, such are the weapons too often employed by religio-political propagandists.

"To this question which has been raised regarding the relation of Seventh-day Adventists to their country, we wish to give as far as possible a clear, consistent answer in this article. First, we wish to declare the absolute loyalty of the members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the United States to the American Government. Without any attempt at self-praise or glorification, we believe that we can safely say that in no church is there found a more peaceable, law-abiding class of citizens than may be found in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This we have been pleased to note from time to time, is the testimony not alone of their friends, but of those who as Christians differ with them in religious faith."—*in Pacific Union Recorder.*

Women Colporteurs

OF the many changes that have come as a result of the war, there is none more remarkable than the position women are taking in the various pursuits of life. We find them in the shops, factories, on the street-cars as conductors, on the farm,—in fact women are now engaged in nearly every line of work in which men are engaged.

There is, however, one calling in which Seventh-day Adventist women have not distinguished themselves, and that is, the colporteur work. The reason for this demand is the same as exists in other lines of industries—the fact that our young men are responding to our country's call in this great time of war. There are doubtless many women in our conference who would make a signal success in the colporteur work if they would only give themselves to it. And if our women would take hold of this work

Oakwood—the only training school for Colored workers.

the circulation of our literature would not be hindered, but increased.

There are very important reasons at this time why women should take up this line of work. Among these are the following:

Some persons question the propriety of men engaging in the colporteur work for they consider it more appropriate for them to be performing more arduous labor. In their judgment they regard the work more adapted to women, especially in these times when the demand upon the man power is so great.

Women can get into homes where men might not gain admittance, especially in these times of white slavery when people hesitate to admit to their homes every man who may desire admittance.

Again, the problem of working the large cities is one that has been difficult to solve. It may be that the Lord has reserved the cities for our consecrated women to canvass. It would seem more fitting for our women to canvass in the cities than in the country territory where it does not necessitate so much traveling.

Women of middle age, with grey hair, could use their talents and experience to great advantage in the colporteur work in towns and cities if they would dedicate themselves to it.

The question of women colporteurs is not without Divine authority, for in Psalms 68:11, the Lord says: "The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." The revised version renders the text thus: "Great was the company of *women* that published it." The Hebrew version reads, "Great was the company of female messengers."

From these readings of this scripture it is evident that its fulfilment is future.

Where are the women in our conference who will help compose this great company of "female messengers"? K. C. RUSSELL, — in *Atlantic Union Gleaner*.

"Never imitate. Your own gift you can present every moment with cumulative force of a whole life's cultivation, but of the adopted talent of another you have only an extemporaneous, half possession."

North American Negro Department

ANNUAL COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 14.

THE time is nearing for taking the ANNUAL COLLECTION for the Department. On account of the pressing needs of the Department, in financing the Oakwood Junior College, which is now being enlarged to meet the rapidly growing requirements of our work in the South, and throughout the whole country; we feel that we should give you this final reminder and make a most solemn appeal to all of our people and friends through North America to give freely to the collection on the day appointed or some other day that may be more convenient in your locality than the day designated.

Feeling sure that as the foregoing appeal comes to your attention you will not only give to the collection your self, but will pray and labor to make it a real success and great blessing to our people, who though long neglected, must be warned before the message closes. We are therefore thanking you before hand for your liberal donation.

W. H. GREEN, Secretary.

September Collection For the Colored Work

TRUST that our good Seventh-day Adventists all over this country who are keeping up with the stringent news of today, and noting the rapid fulfilling of prophecy, will not fail to give very liberally to this most important fund to help speed up the work among the colored people who are still waiting for the light of present truth to come to them.

God expects every Seventh-day Adventist to help finish the work among the colored people.

T. B. BUCKNER.

Study at Home

IF you can not attend one of our training schools, why not form the habit of studying at home? The Fireside Correspondence School will teach you how. Elder A. G. Daniels, President of the General Conference, says, "I believe your school is conferring an unspeakable benefit upon our people." Let us tell you more about this matter. Address C. C. Lewis, Principal, Takoma Park, D. C. C. C. LEWIS.

OBITUARIES

DURRANT: Rubina Elizabeth, daughter of Elder A. N. and Mrs. Durrant, was born in Jamaica, B. W. I., May 24, 1908, and died Aug. 2, 1918, at the Alleghany General Hospital. Rubina caught fire by the explosion of an oil can while father and mother were away from home, and was seriously burned. Kind neighbors rushed her to the hospital where she died a few minutes after being admitted. She was a dear little girl and all who knew her loved her. The hearts of the bereaved parents were comforted by the promises contained in Titus 1:13 and Jer. 31:15-17. Elders Harter and Gaede conducted the funeral services. She was laid away to rest in the Alleghany cemetery, awaiting the call of the Lifegiver.

M. I. GAUNTLETT.

OAKWOOD NEWS

The laundry has been fitted up with its new equipment, all of which has received a fresh coat of paint. It will be ready for the opening of school. The girls will appreciate this addition.

We are now in the heat of the canning season. One day recently forty-eight bushels of tomatoes were put in cans. This makes about 1000 gallons of tomatoes canned this season. The most of these have been put in gallon cans. We are now using new one-quart cans, with a view of placing them on the market. Other foods are being canned also.

The garden has yielded satisfactorily this year. Every day since early spring we have had something fresh for our tables. Vegetables and fruits furnish a large part of the diet for Oakwood students.

The farm presents a very beautiful picture. Cotton and corn never looked better at Oakwood. Brother Swofford says he has the best prospects for a good crop that he has ever had at this place. Two hundred acres of staple crops will go a long ways toward feeding a large family of boys and girls this com-

Are you planning to attend Oakwood?

ing winter. Corn, potatoes, molasses, peas, vegetables, fruits, etc., all give promise of providing bountifully for our need this year.

Our grist mill is serving us well. It is put up in connection with the saw mill. Here also the canning is done when the work is not too congested. The large cannery is now connected up with steam pipes from the laundry. This will accommodate a large force of workers. Brother Halladay and his force of helpers are busy here almost day and night.

The saw mill is doing good work these days turning out new lumber for the improvements at Oakwood. After a thorough overhauling we hope it will serve the institution well in sawing material for our new buildings.

The crop put in by the orphanage family looks fine. Brother and Sister Wade certainly know how to provide nicely for their large family. The institution is thoroughly taxed to its limit. We cannot accommodate one half of the needy ones who apply for homes in this place. We are sorry that all the homeless boys and girls cannot have the benefit of this Christian institution.

Our buildings are being repaired and put in good condition for school opening. One thing they all need, which for the time must be denied them, is a good coat of paint. The beating rains last year revealed a few weak places in the roofs and sides of our buildings. These are receiving attention.

Since the crops are all laid by, the boys have all found a new job in hauling wood. We have also placed some coal in the bins for winter use.

The campus has been kept very neat and clean this summer. Sister Reeder makes a good director for this department, and has given personal attention to the matter. The rose garden in connection with the Sanitarium, has given a great deal of pleasure to all on the campus, and also furnished beautiful flowers for the tables and services.

The printing office deserves special mention. Brother Oscar Buckner has taken great pains to plant and care for many flowers around the building. It is a pleasing sight to see the clinging vines and blossoms.

Sunnyside has been vacated by

the family of Professor Jeys, who left here recently. Brother Jeys has gone to Washington, D. C., to complete his college course, having been granted a furlough for this purpose. Sister Jeys has accepted an offer of teaching church school in South Dakota.

The little white "Morning Star" school house is to be occupied this winter. Brethren Beardsley and Swofford have had their heads together several times of late, planning for the opening.

The new matron, Miss Edna Bryan, of Knoxville, Tenn., has arrived. She has entered upon her work with enthusiasm.

Students are already coming in, and there is an air of school that is noticeable. A few more weeks will find all busy in what we pray will be the best year of Oakwood's successful career. The seriousness of the times demand this of all.

Mrs. C. C. Lewis, who came from Washington, D. C., to give instruction to our teachers, remained a few days after the institute to help classify and arrange our library. Her help has been greatly appreciated this summer. She has become very much interested in our library, and has volunteered to aid in securing some books for us.

The library is being moved to larger quarters. It is now to be located in the sunniest and most commodious room in the building, except the chapel. Many beautiful and helpful books have been added, and we hope to have a library that will be a credit to the school. Volumes would be acceptable from many persons. We are furnishing a label to donors for their names. Please write us if you wish to donate books for Oakwood's library, stating what books you can spare before sending them. Our library is being classified with an up-to-date system, and will be greatly appreciated by live, energetic students. Last year, almost any day it had the appearance of a beehive, when honey was being stored.

Oakwood should have a museum in some corner of its new buildings. Some one could suggest something for us in this line. We will appreciate suggestions or donations.

Oakwood items were crowded out last issue. We are sorry that this blunder has occurred again.

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Professor Boyd recently made us a visit, spending a day in Memphis, arranging for the transfer of some adjoining land. War times and conservation have convinced us all that no mistake was made when we were told to "get out of the cities" and establish schools where land could be secured. If present plans materialize Oakwood will have plenty of fuel during hard times, abundance of saw timber for her new buildings, and a spring of water on her own premises. We feel that this is a direct answer to our prayers at this time. Professor Boyd has had this purchase on his heart for several years and prayed over the matter many times. He now rejoices to see success crown his efforts in this direction.

We are glad to report that Professor Boyd has much improved in health. He now plans his work with his old time vim and interest. He has the colored work at heart. No one is a better friend to the institution and the people for whom it is conducted.

The summer institute was a season of great uplift to all of the teachers in attendance. The help of Sister C. C. Lewis was very much appreciated. A strong request was lodged for another institute next year. There is no other way to raise the standard of our church schools than to give our teachers just such instruction. Our hope is in our small schools as feeders for our larger ones. Encourage the church school teacher to strive for a higher standard of education and a higher grade certificate. Professor Tucker, of the Southeastern Union, and Professor Thompson, of the Southern Union, took hold to help the teachers and to encourage them to reach a state of better preparation. A splendid atmosphere pervaded the whole term.

Sister Jordan, mother of Sister Beardsley, who has been visiting the family for several months returned to her home in Sutherland, Iowa, with her grand son Ted, who has been at Oakwood several weeks. We will miss her pleasant smiles and cheering words.

Professor and Mrs. Beardsley recently made a short visit to Oolte-

Boost for Oakwood.

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wah and Chattanooga. They reported a pleasant trip.

Professor Corkham has left the school for a short visit to friends in Iowa, where he will attend camp-meeting.

Sister Reeder is visiting relatives in Kansas. We hope to see these workers return rested and equipped for hard work the coming year.

Professor Peterson who has been aiding in the tent meeting at Chattanooga, Tenn., is now attending camp-meetings in the Southern Union.

We are having interesting letters from our student-workers. The colporteurs are, as far as we can learn, having phenomenal success. Sister Cox, one of our Mississippi students, has taken about \$3000 worth of orders. Others have done equally well and some better. Sister Cox has set a noble example for our sisters and lady students. Word comes from Sisters Elzilah Pearson and Margaret Brandon, who are helping Elder Dasent with his tent meetings at Nashville, that they are greatly enjoying their work. They seem to be having a good experience, and each has readers whom she hopes to lead to the Master and his truth.

About forty of our students are directly connected with the work this summer. All are of good courage as far as we have heard.

Brother Lynes writes from Hampton Roads, Va., that he is of good courage, though suffering trials in some ways. His officers treat him very nicely. He has the ministry in mind, and until his call to the army was successfully canvassing in Georgia. This opportunity of serving their fellowmen, which has come to our boys in camp life, will

develop strong Christain characters. Some of the young men, who have the ministry in mind, at first felt disappointed. Now all see a training school and a missionary education before them in camp life. Some of our students are now in France. Many are in the camps, and others will be called undoubtedly in the near future. These boys will be remembered by all our people. The service flag that hangs in our chapel is a constant reminder to us to pray for them in their duties, to serve their country and their fellow men.

Professor Beardsley, Brother Swofford, and son Russell, Sister C. C. Lewis, and Elder Bird recently made a trip to Nashville and Madison, Tenn., in the interest of the farm and garden, and to the advantage of the library. Five boxes of books followed them home. Oakwood is planning on greatly strengthening her manual training work. The times demand and the people demand, trained hands as well as heads and hearts. Every student is expected to follow studies along some line of manual arts. None will be permitted to graduate without some assurance that he is able to earn his living by his own exertion. Oakwood has no intention of giving an education to students that will make them feel above common, everyday life's duties, or train them that they need not engage in what the world calls work. Every boy must have his avocation, and every girl be so trained as to be able to help herself if the need is presented. Let all study carefully the new calendar and come prepared to enter heartily into this phase of the instruction.

Our transfer work is now being done almost entirely by auto. The old Oakland has been superseded by a new five-passenger Overland; and a Ford with a trailer, does most of the work formerly done by our carriages and wagons.

Each Saturday evening the students meet in the parlor of Henderson Hall, and are entertained by some of the teachers and a number of students, with musical and literary numbers. One week all had a good sing, and enjoyed marching. Other times current events are discussed.

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"Educate, educate, educate"

Oakwood stands for an all round education.

NOTICE

Our men in charge of civil affairs are studying the educational questions that confront the nation. They have been surprised to find that many of the children and young men are deficient healthwise, and many unfit for service. They are demanding a radical change in our system in many ways, and our schools must become institutions for training in health and temperance. We must pay more careful attention to this phase of our work. The calendar requirements are that all students who apply for entrance present a certificate of health, signed by the family physician, or some responsible doctor.

Sometimes we are compelled to dismiss students from school on account of a failure to acquaint the school with their real physical condition. This is very embarrassing for both students and teachers. Not all these diseases are those that could have been avoided by the students. It is the duty of every teacher and student to conserve the health and the happiness of every student who comes for training.

School life is very strenuous; especially so when one thinks of earning part of his way by labor. Those who are not able to put in long hours of hard study should not think of attending school. They should plan to build up their health before attempting such wearing work. Will not all parents please cooperate with the teachers in this matter and communicate any information to the school that will enable the teachers to work more successfully for the students?

For this and other reasons, every student, old as well as new, should fill out an application blank, and send it in accompanied by a certificate of health, as mentioned above, for faculty action. Please do not neglect this. The faculty wishes to know the financial basis on which all students plan to attend school. Conservation and the strenuous times demand that our school be conducted on a more sound financial basis. Please read what the calendar says about finances, and come prepared to begin the year right by paying in advance for the first period. To finance one's way and keep out of debt is no small part of a valuable education.

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Oakwood's Graduates—
1917-1918

"Will I ever graduate at Oakwood?"

Oakwood Graduates for 1918

TOP row from left, Frank McRae, Biblical Course, assisting Elder J. G. Dasent at Nashville, Tenn.; James L. Martin, Academic, Stenographer at Oakwood.; Harry Gray, Academic, musical assistant, Elder Lawrence, New Orleans, La.; Charles Berry, Academic, tent master for Elder Lawrence, New Orleans, La.; Ariste Pean, French worker, New Orleans, La.; Espie Carter, Academic, a carpenter at Oakwood.; Solomon Troy, Academic, nursing at Hinsdale, Chicago, Ill.; John Turner, Academic, Washington, D. C.; Addison Perkins, Academic, canvassing in Mississippi. Lower row from left, Alice Martin, Biblical, assisting Elder Scott at Dallas, Texas.; Mable Campbell, Normal, at home.; Ora Hutson, Biblical, at Oakwood.; Eugenia Davidson, Nurses course, New York City.; Mary Miles, Academic, Virginia.; Mary Buckner, Normal, Detroit, Mich.; Jennie Stratton, Normal, assisting Elder Buckner at Anniston, Ala.; Margaret Brandon, Junior College, assisting Elder Dasent at Nashville, Tenn.; Lena Strother,

Junior College, assisting Elder W. E. Strother, Columbia, S. C.; Juliette Frazier, Academic, assisting Elder M. G. Nunes Oklahoma City, Okla.

The following students, not graduates, are engaged in regular work:

Thomas Rowe and wife, Alene Young, assisting Elder Peters, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Bernice Brandon (Nee Berry) assisting Elder Lawrence, New Orleans, La.; Elzilah Pearson, assisting in meeting with Elder Dasent, Nashville, Tenn.; Caleb Martin, assisting Elder Scott Dallas, Texas.

Mission Campmeetings For 1918

Louisiana, New Orleans August 8-18.
Georgia, Augusta August 9-18.
Tennessee, Nashville, August 15-25.
Kentucky, Louisville, August 29-September 8.
North and South Carolina, Charlotte, August 29-September 8.
Florida, Orlando, September 5-15.
Alabama, Anniston, September 12-22.
Mississippi, — September 19-29.

Plan to attend campmeeting.

A Day Of Fasting And Prayer

IN August I gave a brief statement of the work that some Oakwood students are doing in the sale of our large books in the Southern Union Conference, but as those figures are now out of date, you will perhaps want some later news. I am glad to say that the colporteurs mentioned in my last article are still pushing ahead with their work, and one of them, (Brother Wilfred Nathan) has ordered \$5310.05 dollars worth of books, (retail price,) with which to make his fall delivery. Brother and Sister Cox have each taken nearly as many as Brother Nathan, and Brother A. L. Perkins, (the knee trousers colporteur) succeeded in taking orders to the value of \$1969.65 during the month of July.

I am very much impressed with the following statements made by Elder Randall Johnson of Mississippi.

"This is indeed a fruitful field and without doubt is ready for the harvest, but, "where are the reapers?" As I ride along the road and see plantation after plantation, studded

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Student Canvassers' Report For One Week

	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv'd
ARKANSAS							
L. J. Pryor	BR	42	31	\$160.00	\$ 2.45	\$162.45	\$ 2.45
A. Toms	BR	16	20	116.00		116.00	
Thos. Fountain	BR	37	20	104.50	2.25	106.25	
GEORGIA							
R. S. Little	BR	63	74	370.00	1.00	371.00	1.00
Joe Britt	BR	54	72	389.00	17.50	356.50	17.50
C. A. Lynes	BR	51	51	261.00	12.80	373.80	12.80
J. E. Abraham	BR	56	43	235.00	.75	235.75	.75
W. E. Adams	BR	54	44	204.00	12.80	216.80	12.80
L. E. Cunningham	BR	41	48	204.50	3.35	207.85	3.35
SOUTH CAROLINA							
C. H. Gordon	BR	58	72	393.00	8.00	401.00	8.00
J. E. Jervis	BR	61	34	171.00	7.05	178.95	7.05
J. B. E. Williams	BR	57	34	116.00	5.80	121.80	5.80
C. T. Jackson	BR	51	24	113.00	3.50	116.50	3.50
MISSISSIPPI							
A. L. Perkins	BR	36	102	519.00	14.40	533.40	3.80
Alex. Cox	BR	49	83	394.00		394.00	
Fannie Cox	BR	50	75	349.00		349.00	
ALABAMA							
R. Thompson	BR	41	23	122.00	2.05	124.00	
Totals	17	817	850	\$4,170.50	\$93.70	\$4,364.15	\$78.80

with huts filled with the children of my people, who in very truth are as ignorant of the message as they are of the fact that freedom was ever declared, I marvel how men who know this message and who have seen and know the conditions can pass by on the other side. Our faithful canvassers have, like David in the valley of Elah, taken their lives in their hands and scattered seed far and wide with no other incentive than that men might be saved; laboring hard by day and praying by night that the Lord of harvest might send reapers when the time should come. Young man, young woman, in view of the fact that all things are now ready, will you not volunteer and come?"

Surely this earnest appeal should stir some honest hearts and lead to greater efforts to reach this people before it is too late.

In view of these conditions the Southern Union Conference, which is composed of the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Kentucky and west Tennessee, has decided to spend Sabbath, September 7 as a day to fast and pray for a successful delivery by our colporteurs. Never in the history of the message have our faithful colpor-

teurs had such success in taking orders, and now as we approach the time of the fall delivery we realize that much depends on getting these books into the homes of the people, therefore we thought that every true Seventh-day Adventist would esteem it a joy and pleasure to have a part in this delivery by fasting and earnestly seeking the Lord for His special blessing at this time. Please do not forget the date, Sabbath, September 7.

V. O. COLE.

Campmeeting At Augusta, Ga.

THE campmeeting at Augusta, Georgia, has gone down in record and in the hearts of those who were so fortunate as to attend this meeting as one of the most helpful and spiritual meetings ever held in the Georgia mission. All present testified to the benefit and satisfaction resulting from this gathering.

When I reached the ground I found Elder Brown and his secretary with Elder Peters, Elder Gemon and their helpers working hard to make the meeting a success. I have never met a more earnest and united company of workers than were assembled at this place.

No criticism or doubts were heard and all seemed to be united in a determination to see God's truth advanced in the earth.

The reports rendered showed a healthy and satisfactory growth in tithes, offerings, and membership.

The resolutions discussed and passed were ones that will surely advance the work in the great state of Georgia. The workers there have a real cause for gratitude to God for His preservation and care and blessing upon His work.

A good collection was taken on each Sabbath for missions; pledges were made, and a large number of books were sold during the last days of the meeting. Twelve or fifteen were baptized on the closing Sunday morning, and the afternoon was devoted to a rousing young people's program.

The campers returned to their homes fully determined to be more faithful in public and in private duties and do all in their power to hasten the coming of the King.

W. L. BIRD.

OAKWOOD NEWS

On Friday, August 23, two auto loads of our family went to Nashville to enjoy the last part of the campmeeting. Professor Beardsley, Brother and Sister Halladay, Brothers Clark, Stephens, Martin, and Sisters Roberta Claiborne, Elsie Graves, Rosa Johnson and Ora Belle Fine made up the party.

The weather was ideal and the trip must have been a delightful one. Word has been received that they reached their destination in safety.

Oakwood Junior College opens on September, 18, at 7 a. m. All indications are that we will have a favorable opening. The students who are applying for admission seem to be largely of mature age. We may be compelled to call for men who are more advanced in years and those a little under age in order to supply workers for the field since our young men are, so many of them, being called for service.

You should plan to attend Oakwood this year.