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Tennessee Campmeeting

THE regular campmeeting of the Tennessee Mission, convened in Nashville, Tennessee August 15-25. Elder J. G. Dasent, conference mission evangelist and pastor of the church, who resides here, conducted with his helpers a successful tent meeting, closing about a week before the time to get the camp ready.

The camp was located on 26th Ave. just across from Hadley Park. There were pitched on the grounds about twenty-five tents, all but three of which are living tents, and those three were; Reception, dining, and large preaching pavilion. The campers were from Memphis, Jackson, Nashville and other parts of the conference, most of whom were present through the ten days. There was also a very good attendance from the city at night with a much larger number present Sunday evenings.

The meeting was somewhat baffled the first Sunday by a great storm that prostrated all but two or three of our small tents on the ground, drenching the dwellers and their belongings with water, but things were soon set in order again for continued meetings.

Aside from conference sessions once or twice a day, in which important resolutions and recommendations were freely discussed and adopted, the usual Bible studies

with preaching at night were held, with convincing effect upon our people and visitors.

Besides Elder Dasent the Mission Evangelist, and his helpers, Professor Henrie, in charge of the music; Brother McRae, in charge of the tents; and Misses Pearson and Brandon, Bible workers, there were also Brethren T. H. Allison of Memphis, Tennessee, and Milton Young of Jackson, Tennessee, conference elders, who rendered needed assistance. Professor F. L. Peterson representing the Oakwood Junior College was also present and aided greatly in the music.

The Conference President, Elder W. R. Elliott, and the Secretary, Brother F. C. Bruce, were present much of the time, taking part and presiding at most of the conference meetings; also Miss Sadie Rogers, Secretary of the Sabbath School, Educational, and Young People's Departments.

The following Union and General Conference representatives were present during the most of the meeting, rendering splendid services in their respective offices: Elders S. E. Wight, President of the Southern Union; V. O. Cole, Union Field Secretary; O. R. Staines, Union Home Missionary Secretary; A. N. Allen, Army Secretary; Professor J. C. Thompson, Educational and Young People's Secretary, and

G. H. Curtis, Secretary and Treasurer of the Union, and Brother L. A. Hansen, Assistant Secretary of the General Conference Medical Department, and the writer.

Elder F. C. Gilbert of Boston, Massachusetts spent the whole time with us, giving very instructive studies at 6:30 p. m. regarding the relation of the Old and New Testament to the Testimonies of the Spirit of Prophecy in these closing times, and preaching stirring sermons most of the time at night.

God, by his Eternal Spirit, was present at our campmeetings this year in a more marked way than heretofore, and the people are awakening to these times as never before. The people gave freely, and consecrated themselves to the Lord to finish His work. While there were good meetings all through the conference, yet the last Sabbath meeting was a great one. Elder Gilbert preached a real soul-searching sermon, which caused our people to rededicate themselves to the finishing of this work and to give more than \$1300.00 in cash and pledges to missions, ninety of which was raised in Sabbath School on the two Sabbaths of the meeting.

The last two days we were favored with a good representation of teachers, helpers and students from Oakwood Junior College, whom Professor Beardsley, the President, brought up in the two school cars.

Taking everything into account, I must say that it was a stirring campmeeting from beginning to end, in spite of the storm mentioned, because the people had a mind to work and to become informed on the message. For they subscribed for more than 16,000 Crisis Series, 2200 Special Series "Steps to Christ" for the soldiers, besides giving orders for thirty-two sets of The Testimonies, and lining up in good working shape for the Harvest Ingathering campaign, together with other literary and educational endeavors. W. H. Green, Secretary.

The Mystery Of God

“UNTO me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ; to the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God.” “Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; even the mystery which has been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints; to whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory; whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus, where unto I also labor, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.”

What is this mystery of which Paul writes to the Ephesians and to the Colossians, saying that it was given to him to fulfil the word of God, the mystery “which has been hid from ages and from generation.” One translation reads, “which hath been kept in silence through eternal ages.”

Many have endeavored to define the mystery which Paul here mentions. But it embraces much, and our ideas in regard to the love, the goodness, and the compassion of God are strangely limited. Because our knowledge of spiritual things has become so dwarfed and enfeebled, we have not advanced from light to greater light. The Lord has not been able to open to our understanding many precious things. In view of the losses which we have sustained by our earthliness and commonness, we have much to make us humble.

God had a knowledge of the events of the future, even before the creation of the world. He did not make this purpose to fit circumstances, but he allowed matters to develop and work out. He did not work to bring about a certain

condition of things, but he knew that such a condition would exist. The plan that should be carried out upon the defection of any of the high intelligences of heaven,—this is the secret, the mystery which has been hid from ages. And an offering was prepared in the eternal purposes to do the very work which God has done for fallen humanity.

Paul was taken up into the third heaven, and there he saw and heard the things which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Mysteries which had been hidden for ages were revealed to him and as much as he could bear of the workings of God, and of his dealings with human minds, was made known. The Lord told Paul that he must preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ. Light was to be given to the Gentiles. This is a mystery which had been hidden for ages.

The Jews had grown into a belief that everything pertaining to the Gentiles was cursed and unclean. Prejudice had built up the wall of nationality and religious seclusion. But God himself instructed Paul that his work was to present Christ to the Gentiles. The great work of redemption was to be brought before all nations, kindreds, tongues, and peoples. Because of their disobedience, the Jews were broken off from the olive tree, and those among the Gentiles who would accept Christ as their Saviour were to be grafted into the good olive tree, and made one with the original branches. But in no case are they to boast because of this, lest they be broken off as were the natural branches.

The Gentiles knew nothing of circumcision, but they were to be brought under the covenant of grace given to Abraham. The Lord talked with Paul, and told him that the Blessings given to the Jewish nation were given equally to the Gentiles. And Paul writes to them: “Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands; that at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world; but now, in Christ Jesus, ye who

sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.”

The incarnation of Christ is a mystery. The union of divinity with humanity is a Mystery indeed, hidden with God, “even the mystery which hath been hid from ages.” It was kept in eternal silence by Jehovah, and was first revealed in Eden, by the prophecy that the Seed of the woman should bruise the serpent’s head, and that he should bruise his heel. To present to the world this mystery that God kept in silence for eternal ages before the world was created, before man was created, was the part that Christ was to act in the work he entered upon when he came to this earth. And this wonderful mystery, the incarnation of Christ and the atonement that he made, must be declared to every son and daughter of Adam, whether Jew or Gentile. His sufferings perfectly fulfilled the claims of the law of God. None of the apostles could have filled the deficiency, had there been any.

God has given us warnings that must be heeded if we would escape the perils of the last days. Temptations, fierce and strong, will try us. The enemy will strive to take from us the hope of eternal life. If we are not growing up into Christ, our living head, we are growing in distrust and unbelief, and are giving our allegiance to the world.

Since the promise in Eden, God has revealed these mysteries through his prophets. According to the command of the eternal God, they have been made known to all nations. God, being rich in mercy, for the great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses and sins, quickens us together with Christ, and raises us up to sit together in heavenly places in him, “that in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace, in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.”

But many mysteries yet remain unrevealed. How much that is acknowledged to be truth is mysterious and unexplainable to the human mind! What necessity there is for implicit faith and trust in God’s moral government! We are ready to say with Paul, “How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!”

We are not now sufficiently advised in spiritual attainments to

comprehend the mysteries of God. But when we shall compose the family of heaven, these mysteries will be unfolded before us. Of the members of that family John writes: "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them into living fountains of waters; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." "And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads."

Then much will be revealed in explanation of matters upon which God now keeps silence because we have not gathered up and appreciated that which has been made known of the eternal mysteries. The ways of Providence will be clear; the mysteries of grace through Christ will be unfolded. That which the mind can not now grasp, which is hard to be understood, will be explained. We shall see order in that which has seemed unexplainable; wisdom in everything withheld; goodness and gracious mercy in everything imparted. Truth will be unfolded to the mind free from obscurity, in a single line, and its brightness will be enduring. The heart will be made to sing for joy. Controversies will be forever ended, and all difficulties will be solved. MRS. E. G. WHITE,—*in The Signs of The Times, Vol. 23, No. 12.*

The Work In Washington

ANSWERING the call to connect with the work at Washington, D. C. we left Baltimore, Md. where we had labored for over six years, and reached the City February last. We have every reason for encouragement, as the cause is steadily advancing.

At the present we have been holding four weeks of tent services in the northwest section of the city with the best of attendance, and the interest is the best we have ever had in all our past years of tent work. The entire church is hard at work with our Magazines, placing these silent preachers in the hands of hundreds as well as raising means to do all in their power to reduce the church indebtedness.

We write this that those interested

in the work here, that has suffered so many fearful experiences, may know that better days are ahead and with the continued blessings of the Lord upon us we hope to see the work here solid and continually on the move. We are glad to report harmony and a mind to labor on the part of the church in general. We ask those deeply burdened for the people to give in the Annual Offering for the Colored Work to be taken September, 14 as they have never given before, remembering that soon the days of giving will be over and we shall begin to receive the rewards that are laid up in store for us. There are many large cities where as yet nothing has been done and we must have much help to quickly send the Gospel to those in darkness.

GUSTAVUS P. RODGERS.

Corn Meal

THE better the keeping qualities of corn meal, the poorer is its food value, and the better the food value of the meal, the poorer is its keeping qualities.

This is explained in this way: The germ of each grain of corn is rich in luscious corn oil and a diastase which will digest starch for the young plant. When we grind the corn, the oil and the diastase is set free and mixed up with the starch, the oil becomes rancid in warm weather, the diastase goes to work on the starch and sets up a digestive action; so that good meal does not keep well.

Good butter would soon become rancid if mixed with meal; so it is with the corn oil. In order to prevent this the modern miller tries to take out the germ of the corn as much as he can, so that the meal will keep better. We then have what we might call a "White meal", consisting chiefly of the corn starch. This devitalizing process of milling not only takes out the luscious corn oil but also the food salts. This improves the keeping qualities of the meal but reduces the food value of the corn meal. In order to have a good meal we must first, have good sound corn; second, take your corn to a mill that is equipped with the old fashioned stone process, they will grind you creamy, nutty meal with all the luscious oil and minerals left in it. You thus have

a meal with the full food value of the corn from which you can make a rich bread that will give you physical strength and mental stability.

I will admit that it will not keep as well as the white corn product made on a roller mill but it has the food value in it. In the summer you may have to go to the mill quite often but you better do that than to use a poor meal or a rancid product. Some may have to supply themselves with small hand mills and grind it as they use the meal so as to have a fresh product at all times.

M. M. MARTINSON, M. D.

Who Were The Ladies?

"ACTIONS speak louder than words," is a saying old but true. It matters not what pretensions one may make, or how well he may be dressed, he is not a gentleman unless his actions are truly gentle, kind, and considerate. A recent number of the Young People's Weekly contains two well related anecdotes that show this statement to be true. One runs thus:—

"At the twenty-second Suburban, a young girl boarded the train and appropriated the only remaining seat facing the engine. The other occupant, a middle-aged lady, turned to regard her for an instant, then continued looking out of the window. At Sixteenth Street, a new comer entered the coach, and observing the middle-aged lady, an acquaintance, immediately made her way to the empty seat in front of her. Soon the two became engaged in animated conversation, which presently waxed into a confidential one, and the two heads drew gradually closer and closer. It was warm in the coach, and evidently the middle-aged lady found it uncomfortable work bending forward. Still she did not attempt to take the vacant seat beside her friend. Observing all this, the girl, thinking that perhaps her companion did not make the change because she objected to riding with her back to the engine, leaned forward and said to the woman opposite, during a momentary lull in the conversation: 'I shall be glad if you will accept my seat. It will be easier for you to talk with your friend here, and I do not in the least mind rid-

ing backward.'

"So gracious an offer should have received an equal gracious acceptance. It did not, however; for the one to whom it was made, merely signified her acceptance with a cool nod of her head, and, rising, took the place vacated, and went on talking to her friend."

No doubt all of our readers can tell who, in this case, was the true lady. This incident teaches the valuable lesson that we should do right and be courteous everywhere and always, whether one's efforts so to do receive recognition, appreciation or not.

The other anecdote referred to is as follows:—

"It was during a recent exhibition at an art institute that a modest little woman in brown joined a number of admirers in front of a picture representing a pastoral scene. It was an exquisite water-color, and, like the rest, she quickly became oblivious to her outward surroundings while contemplating its beauties. Presently, however, she was recalled to them by some one's stepping upon her dress. She tried to move a little aside, but could not do so. At this moment the one who had placed her foot upon the hem of the gown, lifted; and as she did so, the wearer turned half around, and looked inquiringly at the other, as if expecting an apology. But none came. Instead, the culprit, a stylishly dressed young girl with a bunch of violets fastened beneath her chin, returned the look with haughty composure, and said, as if answering a voiced complaint, 'You should hold your dress up; then it would not get stepped on.'

"For a moment it seemed as if the little woman in brown would refuse to believe that so rude a retort could come from so fair a creature. But when convinced by the steady stare with which she was regarded, that such was the case, she quietly gathered her dress up in her hand, and said, very gently, 'I beg your pardon; I should have done so' and turned to the picture again."

The unanimous opinion of all lookers-on was that the "stylishly dressed young girl" was "not a lady."
—Selected.

"Somebody needs your light."

The New Orleans Campmeeting

THE campmeeting for the colored people of the Louisiana Mission convened at New Orleans from August 8-18. From the very beginning of the meeting there was an earnest spirit manifested and this interest continued right through to the end. Meetings were held almost continuously during the day, and the evening meetings were given over for the benefit of the public, as Elder J. H. Lawrence is conducting a very successful tent effort in the city.

After the first few days of the meetings, the daily services for the people attending the campmeeting were conducted in the church, as it was more quiet, and more in harmony with the spirit of the meeting. All the branches of the work were considered and the brethren and sisters showed their appreciation of the efforts put forth by taking hold of every branch of the work.

All the workers of the Union Conference were present to give instruction along the various lines of the work; and, with the local conference workers including the president of the Louisiana Conference. The people greatly appreciated the efforts put forth in their behalf.

Outside of the Local and Union Conference workers, we had from the General Conference the help of Elder F. C. Gilbert, who gave daily studies on the Testimonies and Bible studies. He also spoke several times in the evening at the tent for Elder Lawrence. The studies were greatly appreciated by the brethren and sisters and twenty-six sets of the Testimonies were purchased by our people.

Each day good spiritual talks were given by the workers and the last Sabbath was a day which will be long remembered by those present. After a good Sabbath school session, the school gave nearly fifty dollars to missions. Then after a spiritual service, a call was made for missions. This spirit was very marked among the people and surely God gave his people willing hearts. More than six thousand copies of the Crisis series of books were subscribed for and about fifteen of the brethren and sisters expect to start out soon to give all their time for the sale of our literature. Many of the new Sabbath keepers took

part in the meetings and showed their appreciation of the truth by contributing to the mission fund.

Elder S. E. Wight, President of the Union Conference, rendered valuable assistance, and the labors of Brethren V. O. Cole of the Colporteur Department; O. R. Stanes, the Home Missionary Department Secretary and J. C. Thompson of the Young People's and Educational Department were greatly appreciated.

Elder W. H. Green, Secretary of the Negro Department, also helped the meetings much, and Professor Peterson of the Huntsville School was present and gave some talks on Christian Education. Sister Larcotte Green of Shreveport and Sister Jones of Memphis contributed their part along medical and health lines. Elder C. N. Sanders, President of the Conference worked hard and faithfully. The brethren and sisters went to their homes feeling that the Lord had greatly blessed in the meeting and their courage never was better.

F. C. GILBERT.

Use Tact

TACT and ready resource should be cultivated. It is related of a traveler who wore a full set of the false teeth and an artificial arm, that once, when surrounded by ferocious savages in Central Africa, and in imminent danger of losing his life, he created such a diversion in his favor, by taking out his teeth and removing his arm, and threatening the natives with them separately, that he escaped unharmed. A young man in Chicago was held up by a footpad, and so nonplussed the robber by proceeding immediately to take his picture with a kodak he had with him, that he saved his pocketbook.

In ancient Athens, Socrates, although he was a heathen philosopher, lost his life because he taught of strange gods. In the same place, Paul, the Christian, addressed the Athenians upon the truths of religion with impunity, because he used tact, and spoke to them of the one unknown God, to whom he found an altar among the shrines of the thirty thousand Grecian divinities which the Athenians worshipped.—Selected.

"Bargain-counter-honesty"

I THINK I shall never forget what happened to me a number of years ago, while visiting in a strange city. My hostess, being truly feminine, took me on a shopping expedition, as part of my entertainment. The shops, of course, were just alike to me, and I scarcely noticed the names. In one, my hostess made some purchases; and, hearing her exclaim over the cheapness of some waists which were displayed, I bought one for myself. I suppose the name of the package became fixed in my mind through the circumstances, but it meant nothing further to me.

That evening on our return, we were displaying our purchases to a visitor, who, like everyone else, exclaimed at the "bargain" I had made, and asked: "Where did you get it?" Innocently, I told her the name of the store, and dimly perceived, when too late, that my hostess had been making me frantic signs to keep quiet. Afterward she said to me: "Why did you tell her where you bought it?" Of course I enquired what was the matter with the store, and she answered: "Why, it's the Jewiest kind of a Jew store! We buy things there sometimes, but we never tell of it."

I had had too little experience to know just what enormities might be imputed to the "Jewiest kind of a Jew store;" but the incident gave me a wholesome dread of business transactions which I would not want to make public. I think I managed to avoid them pretty well, until perhaps ten years later, when I entered a store in my own town where I was accustomed to deal, and found a tray of really beautiful Irish lace collars, at an almost incredibly low price. It was almost Christmas, and I thought at once what lovely gifts they might make. But the clerk said: "We are allowed to sell only one to a customer, because they are such great bargains; but if you will send one or two of your family, I can give them each one for you."

The restriction seemed very narrow to me; of course it was meant to prevent speculation in the collars of which I had not the slightest intention. So I did send two of my family; and they returned with four collars! "We met Kate and

Lily in the store," they said, "and we asked them, and they each got one for you; they said you could give them the money another time."

Suddenly those collars turned me sick. What sort of business honesty had I been teaching these young people? I could not return the collars; it would only get the clerk into trouble. So I sent them away, as I intended; but one, which was not like the others, or nearly as pretty, I kept to remind me never to do such a thing again. I do not believe I ever put it on without a sense of wholesome remorse; in fact, this story has occurred to me now, because I threw the collar away yesterday, completely worn out.

And I have come to this conclusion: There are many brands of honesty, each said to be just as good as the genuine. But I believe the only kind that will wear is what we might call "bargain-counter-honesty;" honesty, that is, which is exercised where everybody expects you to get all you can for yourself; honesty which never does anything which could not be told to the whole world; honesty which in nowise takes advantage. I want this kind for myself, and I mean to have it henceforth.—*Exchange*.

The Value of Time

THE average man who has reached sixty years of age has spent twenty years in sleep, eight to thirteen in labor, four solid years in eating, five years in childhood play, five years in school, two years reading, and about two years sick. From nine to fourteen years are unaccounted for and have earned him no benefits physically, financially or spiritually. In each day of twenty-four hours the average person is blessed with from three to five hours which can be rightly improved or idled away.

The wise man has said, "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven." Eccl. 3:1. Certainly now, in these closing hours of earth's history and of man's probation, it's time to improve every spare moment in our daily record, that our credit on the books of heaven may be sufficient to carry us through eternity. "Our time belongs to God. Every moment is his, and we are under

the most solemn obligation to improve it to his glory. Of no talent he has given will he require a more strict account than of our time. The admonition comes again, "Seek first the kingdom of God," and yet how few there are who are actually doing this. All the pleasures of the world, all the cares of this life are summoned up as excuses to dissuade individuals from doing what the Saviour requires of them in order to make their calling and election sure.

Our magazine work offers a convenient way to improve our time. It utilizes these spare moments which would otherwise prove our spiritual downfall. It is full of interest and requires practically no previous experience. As you engage in this work and talk with those who are seeking for light, you will experience a vitalizing force come into your life that will bring with it a refreshing of unspeakable peace and happiness. Resolve today that you will sell a few magazines each week, and let the children have a part in this great work of bringing salvation to others.

"The moments now granted to us are few. We are standing upon the very borders of the eternal world. We have no time to lose. Every moment is golden, and altogether too precious to be devoted to self-serving." "Shall we not strive to use to the very best of our ability the little time that is left us in this life, adding grace to grace, power to power, making manifest that we have a source of power in the heavens above?" "Resolve to redeem the time. Seek not your own pleasure. Rouse yourself! Take hold of the work with a new purpose of heart. The Lord will open the way before you. Make every possible effort to work in Christ's lines, in meekness and lowliness, relying upon him for strength. Understand the work the Lord gives you to do, and, trusting in God, you will be enabled to go on from strength to strength, from grace to grace. You will be enabled to work diligently for souls while the day lasts; for the night cometh in which no man shall work." Who will seek God earnestly, and from him draw strength and grace to be his faithful workers in the missionary field?

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C. E. HOOPER,—
in *Central Union Outlook*.

OBITUARIES

WILLIAMS: Elder R. E. Williams was born in Antigua, British West Indies, January 13, 1872, and died July 30, 1918. He accepted the third angel's message the first Sabbath in January 1904.

After spending a couple of years at the Oakwood Training School, Huntsville, Ala., he was called to take up work in Mississippi, where his labors were richly blessed of God. In 1908 Elder Williams was called to the work in Georgia, and continued to give faithful service in the Georgia mission, until December 1917, when he was called to take up work in the Florida mission as field Evangelist. While conducting a tent effort at Jacksonville, his health failed. He was moved to Orlando where he could obtain the services of some of our skillful physicians. His illness continued for seven weeks. All that could be done for him was done, but death came July 30, 1918. We are sure that our brother rests from his labors. As we look back at his faithful labors in the ministry, we can say that he has "fought a good fight" and finished his course.

In the year 1912 he was impressed to return to his home in Antigua, British West Indies, and tell his relatives of this wonderful truth. He was accompanied by his wife. As the results of his labors there, his mother, sister, and many others embraced the message.

Just before his health failed, thirty souls stepped out in the tent effort which he was conducting, for "the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus."

His wife, mother, brothers and sister, and a host of friends are left to mourn, but they are comforted by the hope of the resurrection morning soon to dawn.

(Signed) G. E. PETERS.

"Keep yourself persistently at your best."

Chattanooga, Tenn.

A TENT effort was conducted in this city June 7 to July 28 by Elders G. E. Peters and Chas. Lightner. The tent was pitched near the corner of A and Eleventh Sts. Being centrally located, it was easily accessible from all car lines. A splendid choir was organized under the leadership of Sister Peters; the singing and the stereopticon illustrations were attractive features of the service.

In spite of opposition from some of the local pastors after the Sabbath truths were presented, the people continued to come night after night. At this writing we do not know how many are keeping the Sabbath. Forty names were given in, from those who expressed their willingness to keep all of the commandments. This interest is being closely followed up by the workers.

Elder W. H. Green spent a few days here and addressed the new believers Sabbath July 27. His subject was "The Eyes of the church". Among other visitors at the tent were the Oakwood quartette and some beautiful vocal selections were rendered. Professor Peterson remained here for ten days, assisting Brother Irving with the music.

The tent company were as follows: Elder Peters in charge; Elder Lightner assistant; Sister Gillom Bible worker; Sister Peters choir leader; Brother Irving pianist; Brother Rowe tent master; Sisters Rowe, Beecham and Young magazine workers. MAGGIE M. CLARK.

Let Us Pull Together

THE strength of gospel effort is greatly enhanced by the cooperation and harmonious working of the believers. God has committed to us a great work. We cannot do it single-handed. We cannot accomplish it in our own strength or on dependent lines. We must pull together. Divided, we shall fall; united, we shall stand against the forces of the enemy, and go forward to victory.

Satan will ever seek to divide our energies and separate our efforts by inculcating the spirit of suspicion, distrust, alienation and criticism. We shall see much in others that we do not like. Their

plans and policies and methods will not always commend themselves to our judgement. We do not need to watch one another narrowly to see many defects of life and character. And how the enemy rejoices when questions of this character engage our thought and occupy our attention! We need to cultivate continually the spirit of large-heartedness, of kindly benevolence, of tender sympathy, of long patience. Let us disarm the working of suspicion, and place upon the actions of others the best possible construction, realizing that we ourselves, similarly situated, might have done even worse.

We can never argue men into the kingdom. We cannot drive our brethren to do right by criticism, but we may draw sinners to Christ by love, and the exercise of this Christian grace the world greatly needs today. The church of God needs it; Seventh-day Adventists need it; our own hearts cry out for love and sympathy, and we welcome eagerly the spirit of true Christian helpfulness whenever it is shown us. Let this be the spirit which shall actuate us in our relationship to others.

—Selected.

Now Are You Educated?

A PROFESSOR in the University of Chicago told his pupils that he should consider them educated in the best sense of the word when they could say yes to every one of the questions that he should put to them. It may interest you to read the questions. Here they are:—

Has education given you sympathy with all good causes and made you espouse them?

Has it made you a brother to the weak?

Have you learned how to make friends and keep them?

Do you know what it is to be a friend yourself?

Can you be high-minded and happy in the meanest drudgeries of life?

Do you think washing dishes and hoeing corn just as compatible with high thinking as piano playing or golf?

Are you good for anything yourself?

Can you be happy alone?

Can you look out on the world and see anything except dollars and cents?

Can you look into a mud puddle by the wayside and see a clear sky?

Can you see anything in the puddle but mud?

Can you look into the sky at night and see beyond the stars?

—Selected.

Opening Day at Oakwood

SCHOOL has opened and everybody at Oakwood is busy at his work. The opening day was Wednesday, September 18. There were gathered together from all parts of the country, almost eighty young men and women who have shown by their presence here an ambition, and a righteous one, that they wish to prepare themselves for life and for service in the Lord's work.

This year, due to military service, there are but few young men with us. This is made up, however, by the large number of young ladies.

Wednesday was spent principally in arranging the studies. In the evening the opening meeting was held in the school chapel. This meeting, which was a consecration service, was conducted by Elder W. H. Green. He spoke of the need of consecration to God for service. This was followed by testimonies from the student body, who with one accord consecrated their lives anew to God for the year.

Thursday was devoted to the arrangement of the program of study for the year. The first meeting of the classes was also held.

We anticipate for this year the best year Oakwood has ever seen. We feel the Lord is with us in school; but friends of Oakwood, we want your prayers. As Paul petitioned to the Thessalonians, "Brethren, pray for us," so we petition you. E. C. JACOBSEN.

OAKWOOD NEWS

Our new matron, Miss Edna Bryan, is making herself entirely at home in the Oakwood kitchen.

Oakwood molasses may still be purchased. Brother Swofford says

he has a little on hand yet to dispose of before the new crop comes in.

From our last year's corn crop \$182.75 worth has been sold for cash, \$100.00 exchanged for a corn binder and enough still remains to feed our stock and bread our family until harvest comes again.

New students have already begun to arrive and many applications are coming in. A good many of these are from mature people who can soon be trained for field work.

Those who have ever spent a summer at Oakwood will know what is meant when we announce that Oakwood's melons are distributed free among the student workers. Don't you wish you were here?

Hot weather?—yes we have had our share of that too. Corn and cotton as well as all other crops have been cut short by the protracted drought. We do not think that our crops are badly damaged but we will not harvest the bumper crop we would have stored if frequent rains had continued during the month of August.

The canning season has been a very successful one at Oakwood. Brother Halladay and his helpers have been almost continually occupied in canning the surplus from the garden. Most of the vegetables and fruit have been canned in gallon cans, this saving the price of so many small cans. A great many of these cans are those saved from last year's curing. The following is a list of foods canned so far this year: tomatoes 1500 gallons, corn 500 cans (small), okra 800 cans (no. 3), beans 1000, apples 175 gallons, prospective 500 gallons of pears. Our canning will amount to about 3000 gallons when finished.

Reports have been received from Mission camp meetings held in Louisiana and Tennessee. These meetings have been very helpful and uplifting. Our brethren in general are very much encouraged over the spiritual results in all our camp meetings this year. Reports from these meetings will appear in our next issue.

Brother Leslie Pryor came in from his field of labor in Arkansas for a few days of rest. He will re-

main until the opening of school and then return to deliver his books.

The orphanage boys are determined not to be left out when the band and orchestra are organized this fall. A box containing some new instruments came in lately. Our music students all find useful places in aiding in tent meetings. Let every bit of musical talent be educated for earnest service.

Some of Brother Clark's boys are busily engaged in putting students' rooms in first class order for occupation. Paint and alabastine help to freshen up dingy walls and make them inviting for students.

The Library is now in its new quarters. The new books are being shelved and the appearance of the room is greatly improved. Everything possible is being done to make this part of the school an effectual agency in the education of Oakwood's students.

We are still selling sorghum of our last year's make. It is in fine condition and makes a good substitute for sugar. Our field of growing cane is looking fine. We will soon have another crop to provide for.

Professor and Mrs. Jacobson recently arrived and took up rooms in "The Pines". Professor Jacobson is our history teacher and is finding his place in school nicely.

Brother Ward our new book-keeper and office assistant recently came in from Boston, Mass. with his wife and little boy. They are being accommodated temporarily at the Sanitarium.

Students have been coming in rapidly of late. Nearly every train brings its additions to our number. The prospects are good for a successful year's work.

Brother Swofford and his three children recently returned from a visit to their old home in South Carolina. They were also privileged to attend the annual camp meeting at Charlotte, N. C.

Sister Ida Parker Ford, our new preceptress has arrived and taken up her work in Henderson Hall. Sister Ford has already shown tact and aptness for her work and the girls have settled down to the work in the dormitory in an easy, natural style like a swarm of bees when

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the queen is in the hive.

Professor F. L. Peterson is acting as preceptor until the arrival of our regular appointed one. Professor Peterson certainly has his time well occupied with this work in addition to his regular duties.

Elder Green recently made the school a visit, attending the opening exercises. He expressed himself well pleased with conditions as he found them here on the campus. All enjoyed his instruction and words of courage.

Professor Beardsley recently returned from an extended tour of the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences in the interests of Oakwood. He has succeeded in helping a goodly number of our young people to decide to enter Oakwood this fall.

Brother L. A. Hansen, the assistant secretary of the Medical department of the General Conference, paid us a welcomed visit on the twenty-third on his return trip from attending camp meetings in the South. He addressed our students on the crisis of the day. We were sorry that he was not able to show us the fine selection of slides of the world work which he carried with him.

Elder A. N. Allen spoke in our chapel the twenty-fourth inst. to our whole body of students. His timely remarks of personal freedom from sin in this testing time made a deep impression on the minds of all our company. We shall be glad to have these brethren come again.

Sister A. J. Beardsley, mother of Professor Beardsley, has been engaged to teach our Church school for teachers. We are pleased to

know that such a successful and helpful teacher has been engaged to teach these children. It is too bad to have these children, whose parents are striving to aid others in getting an education, left without training themselves.

Three more of our number are leaving us at this time to answer the call of service to our nation. These boys have all spent considerable time at Oakwood and are well known to many of our readers. Two of them were Academic graduates last year and expected to take up college work this year. James Martin from North Carolina; Oscar Buckner, and Espie Carter of Alabama. One of these is the second son of Elder Buckner, state evangelist of Alabama. His older brother is now in training for service at Tuskegee, Alabama. On the evening of the twenty-fifth a simple, but appropriate service was held in the chapel in memory of these students. They will not be forgotten in their new duties.

School work at Oakwood is divided into two sections; one holding from 7:00 to 12:00 A. M. and the other from 1:00 to 5:00 P. M. This separates us into departments that are nearly equally divided. In the morning, the grades from nine up are accommodated, and in the evening from eight down. This plan provides constant help in every department of our industries. The farm, kitchen, laundry, and all other important departments each has a forenoon and an afternoon corps of workers.

Brother Swofford's son, Duffie, and son in law, Kenny Turner, recently made a visit to Oakwood. These brethren are from South Carolina. They were well pleased with the crops and conditions in general. Duffie Swofford is one of the Southern Junior College's student canvassers. We wish him success.

We recently had word from Brother Richard Lowden, one of our students in camp; that he has many opportunities to do missionary work in his present position. Let us remember our boys in camp life and pray that God will make them faithful and true and keep them pure for His service.

Another star has been added to our service flag that hangs in the chapel. This star serves to keep in

memory Robert Morgan, who left us recently for the training camp. A farewell service was held Sabbath morning in his behalf.

A FEW OF OAKWOOD'S NEEDS

A new saw mill to cut the lumber for our new buildings.

A good tractor to use in grain farming.

A yoke of oxen and logging cart. One half a mile of pipe to bring water from the spring to the campus.

A new reservoir to contain water for our buildings.

A new first class gasoline engine for the printing office.

Donations of books and magazines for our library.

A set of maps for our Bible room and another for our History room.

Equipment for our laboratory.

A new granary for storing seed and crops.

An addition to our orphanage to enable us to care for many more fatherless and motherless children.

One hundred consecrated students who have the burden for souls upon their hearts and who desire an education that will fit them for a place in the Master's service.

President Wilson in an address delivered in Washington recently said:

To my mind, the *colporteurs*, the men who are traveling by every sort of conveyance, carrying with them books containing the Word of God, seem like shuttles in a great loom that is weaving the spirits of men together. . . . In proportion as men yield themselves to the light of the gospel, they are bound together in the bonds of mutual understanding and assured peace.—*Selected.*

They are slaves, who dare not be, In the right with two or three.

—Lowell.

There is only one way by which we can reach our desired goal—that is, to get up and go.

Don't let your wish-bone take the place of your backbone.