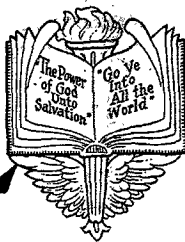


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## The Needs Of The South

In the Southern Field live upwards of 10,000,000 Negroes. Of these, 2,560 are believers in the Third Angel's Message, with about fifty continuously employed conference laborers.

The unworked-for millions need missionaries.

The 2,500 believers need church buildings, which in most cases they are financially unable to build.

They need school houses and teachers to educate their children in the truth.

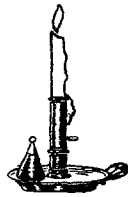
Many more workers must be trained in various lines.

Oakwood Junior College is the one training school now in existence for workers for this race, both in this country and in the islands south of us. Its complete enrollment the past two years has crowded it to its utmost limit. Only one-third of the applicants was accepted. A new boys' dormitory is needed at once; also cottages for married students, and cottages for teachers. It is but a question of time till a new school building will be required. An overflow is anticipated this year.

Remember the South at all times, but especially on October 11 next.

# Oakwood Junior College

June 10, . . . July 22, 1919



# Summer School Session

Huntsville, Alabama.

**T**HIS year's summer school has been the best we have ever witnessed. Thirty-two teachers, representatives from the Southeastern, Southern, Southwestern, and Columbia union conferences, were enrolled. The manner in which these teachers performed their duties, both in the classroom and in their outside work, revealed to us that they realized the times in which we are living. The testimonies that ascended to God during their stay here were filled with praise, love, gratitude, and appreciation for the privilege of being at Oakwood at this time to receive help and instruction to become more efficient workers in the field the following school year.

We cannot but look with admiration upon Professor John C. Thompson, Educational Secretary of the Southern Union, who was at the head of the summer school work. He is a young man, and we can see fulfilled in him God's word that the young would be able to bear heavy responsibilities.

Mrs C. C. Lewis, of Washington, D. C., was a source of much spiritual and intellectual help both in her classroom and other associations. Her life is one of serenity and calmness. Her instruction was good seed and it will be found springing up in good soil in many places.

We have another example of the life of Christ in Miss Anna Knight, Educational Secretary for the Colored Work in the Southeastern Union. Many were the burdens she was called upon to bear. She was preceptress, also teacher of several reviews during the summer school. Her loyalty, faithfulness, and firmness of character will be an inspiration to us for many years.

Professor Corkham was with us a short while and gave instruction in bookkeeping and general science. We regret that he had to leave us before the summer school ended.

Professor Corkham's general science class was continued by Professor F. W. Halladay, Director of the Preparatory Department of the College. We place many of our burdens upon Professor Halladay for he is the students' friend.

Elder W. L. Bird, who has charge of the Ministerial Department, created quite an interest in Bible study during his few weeks stay. We will not soon forget his chapel hour Bible studies.

Professor E. C. Jacobsen, Teacher of History, gave some instruction in agriculture before his departure to an institute held in Washington, D. C.

Last year President J. I. Beardsley had charge of our round table discussion, but we were not permitted to have him this year. However, he spoke to us a few mornings at the chapel hour. One of his timely thoughts was that as teachers we should be wide awake and active, and show the pupils how to study. President Beardsley's business tact and hospitality will constantly remind us of how we should treat strangers and visitors who come to us.

At the marriage in Cana of Galilee the best wine was served last. In a like manner, we received our richest blessings last in the form of an institute held July 18-20. The conference superintendents from Kentucky, Carolinas, Tennessee River, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Cumberland, and Alabama were here and gave interesting talks upon, "The Needs of the Field," "Social Purity," and "The Importance of a Junior Society in our Schools."

Miss Sarah E. Peck, Assistant Secretary of the General Conference Educational Department, was present during the institute. At a three o'clock meeting on Sabbath, July 19, Miss Peck gave an interesting study on the "High Calling and Responsibility of the Teacher." Sunday

morning and afternoon she explained the course of study that will be used in our schools beginning 1920-21, and how this year's work, 1919-20, is to be handled preparatory to the change of the course the next school year. Miss Peck emphasized the importance of following the testimonies in regard to our schools and that the teachers should strive to bring our schools up to the standards of efficiency.

President Beardsley, wife and mother entertained the visiting secretaries, instructors, and teachers at their home (Oaklawn) Sunday evening. The occasion was greatly enjoyed and will long be remembered.

Professor and Mrs C. J. Boyd, who for a number of years were connected with this school, were visitors during the latter part of the summer school. Professor Boyd's health has improved very much during the past year, for which we are thankful. He spoke several times in chapel while here.

It was also a pleasure to see among the visitors the familiar faces of Professor and Mrs O. R. Staines and his mother, they being accompanied by Miss Amy Light of Nashville.

It was with a feeling of regret that we said goodbye to summer school teachers, instructors, and secretaries at the close of the institute, but we wish God's protection and care over them, and hope the lessons learned here may be imparted to others and many souls be won to Christ as a result of the summer school and institute. May we prove faithful and in the great gathering day, if not again in this world, meet around the throne and join in the song of redemption.

J. FRANCES BAUGH.

"They that be wise (margin, teachers) shall shine as the brightness of the firmament." Dan. 12:3.

## Seen On My Last Visit

FIFTEEN years ago this summer I first came to Oakwood, and all of these years have followed its work with increasing interest. Having been privileged to make frequent visits to the school during the past few years naturally many comparisons have come to me. Recalling conditions as I found them and seeing the good equipment that has been provided causes me to exclaim, "What hath God wrought?"

While all visits have been greatly enjoyed, yet each succeeding one has afforded added pleasure. This is especially true of the last two. When at the school for a few days at my former visit I was well pleased with the excellent spiritual atmosphere that prevailed throughout the whole family. It seemed to me that I never saw more earnestness anywhere. The object of each student seemed to be a speedy preparation for effective work in giving the message now due the world. My stay of nearly two weeks at the summer school has afforded an opportunity to renew my acquaintance with many of our Mission School teachers. Surely they are a band of earnest, hard working people, thoroughly devoted to their chosen occupation. While listening to their recitations I have been impressed that better work will be done in our schools than has been done in the past. Our educational organization is becoming more complete and effective as the years go by. This is a positive necessity, as we are preparing to do a great work in a short time. We are living in a time when peculiar and rapid changes are taking place all about us. No one knows what straits he may be brought into.

The faculty of the Oakwood Junior College and our Mission School teachers are uniting heartily in their earnest efforts to prepare workers to take the plow in the great world fields of the Southland. Twenty million send up their mute appeal to our training school and constituency, pleading in silent eloquence for someone whose vision is clear, to bring them the light now streaming from God's word upon the darkened world, groping about in search of a way of rescue from

the awful conditions that surround them.

By the loyal co-operation of all, we can increase the number of messengers of the cross; by crowding our school to its utmost capacity, and praying for this institution that the Lord may use it in sending forth laborers into His harvest.

O. R. STAINES.

## Ten Reasons

WHY SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST  
YOUNG PEOPLE SHOULD ATTEND  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST  
SCHOOLS AS GIVEN BY  
THE STUDENTS

"Our public schools are weak in practical religious teaching.... Jesus lived the one perfect life, and taught the one perfect moral code."—*Baldwin's School Management*. 'Education acquired without the Bible religion is disrobed of its true brightness and glory.'—*Mrs E. G. White*. The Bible is the basis of all true education. The scriptures are taught and practiced in Seventh-day Adventist schools."

"By attending Seventh-day Adventist schools the young people are under the influence of present truth and are encouraged to remain in our ranks."

"The field workers come from our schools."

"Worldly schools, with scarcely an exception, are permeated with New Thought, Evolution, Christian Science, Spiritualism, Higher Criticism, and a dozen other isms. By attending worldly schools we place ourselves directly in the way of temptation and deception."

"The association with Christian young people is a greater help in character building than one could hope to obtain from any source available in worldly schools."

"It is the special business of Seventh-day Adventist schools to educate and train missionaries. It is the business of every Seventh-day Adventist to be a missionary. Therefore our young people should go where they can obtain the best training for their future work."

"Seventh-day Adventist young people should not plan on going into the work without first obtaining an education that will fit them

to be proper representatives of the Message. The times demand an intelligent, educated ministry, not novices."... *Mrs. E. G. White*.

"Heart education is of more importance than the education gained from books."... *Mrs. E. G. White*. Seventh-day Adventist schools stand for 'the harmonious development of the physical, the mental, and the spiritual powers.'

"Three-fourths of the benefit and inspiration in after life derived by the student while in school comes from the teacher.'.... *Professor E. A. Sutherland*. Seventh-day Adventist schools are manned by consecrated, Christian instructors."

"Seventh-day Adventist young people should attend Seventh-day Adventist schools because they are unable in any other school to learn the principles of true Christian education. Education other than this is worse than none, because it gives us a wrong view of life, of God, and of our duties to our Redeemer."

## Jefferson, Texas

AT THE close of our tent effort here, we buried six dear souls in baptism. One sister was kept back by her husband, who does not want his wife to cast her lot with us. She has decided to be baptized at the Dallas campmeeting. These people took a stand for the message during the tent effort last summer.

We closed our meetings last week, June 22, with several interested ones attending as often as it was possible for them, on account of the heavy downpour of rain almost day and night. The people had to come to the tent between large showers.

Yesterday, June 30, we worked very hard getting our new place of worship ready. We have a very nice place now. It is also nicely fixed up inside, and will hold about one hundred people. This place was granted us free of charge by the County Judge. We may use it indefinitely. The building is of easy access to the better class of our people. We will hold meetings Sabbaths and Sunday nights. We earnestly desire your prayers.

E. M. GATES AND WIFE.

### From The Scattered Ones

I AM sorry that I could not be with you this summer, but if nothing happens I will be back this fall. When I come I will bring others with me. I will do all I can for Oakwood.

WALTER JONES,  
Clarksdale, Miss.

Sometimes I get so weary and tired I feel like giving up, but I am always encouraged with the thought that I am helping to finish the work in the South. Remember me to the Oakwood family and especially to the officers of the Oakwood Junior College Students' Association.

CLAUDE H. GORDON,  
Rolling Fork, Miss.

The *Southern Worker* gives the names of a number of Oakwood students that are out in the service and I am praying that they will be successful. If the Lord wills I am looking forward to being at Oakwood next year.

GEORGIA LEWIS,  
Wellington, Ohio.

I am glad to hear of the splendid work and interest at Oakwood. I received a package containing several letterheads from the Students' Association today, so I must get busy with them at once.

JENNIE STRATTON,  
Cheyney, Pa.

I am certainly proud of Oakwood. I am trying to do my best in boosting the school. I think I have my students already for Oakwood and I am trying to raise my portion of the Florida band's \$500. I believe that we are going to raise it all. I am anxious to get back to school.

PEARL WALKER,  
Punta Gorda, Fla.

We enjoy our work very much, and the part I enjoy the most is from what we can hear of the attention we have attracted by the life we have lived, or the life of our Saviour which we have permitted to shine through us.

LAURINE WOODS,  
Forest, Miss.

I can truly say that I have been favored with the help of the Lord in the work, so I am asking the prayers of you all that the blessings of the Lord will continue to follow me. If I had not spent a few months at Oakwood I would not

have been prepared to take up this line of work. I can say that the training I got while in Oakwood Junior College has been a great help to me. I truly thank my teachers for the interest they have taken in me.

JESSE DAVIS,  
Lenden, Ala.

I am receiving God's richest blessings and many experiences which He sees fit for me to get. God is certainly cutting His work short in righteousness and I am glad to be one of His laborers. I often think of those good old songs and meetings held in the chapel.

WILLARD MULLINS,  
Lenden, Ala.

The time has nearly come for me to leave home and come back to Oakwood, and I am thankful for having spent such a good vacation. Please send me four calendars.

TENNESSEE ECHOLS,  
Memphis, Tenn.

I am trying to meet with most of the young people here and to bring back students with me.

FLORENCE WOOD,  
Baltimore, Md.

I will be back to Oakwood soon with as many as I can bring with me. Some have promised to come. Pray for me.

JACOB SOUGHS,  
Lambert, Miss.

I am still in the work and of good courage. I am thankful that I am keeping up so well, but it is God alone that keeps me up.

ROSA JOHNSON,  
Haynesville, Ala.

I am looking forward with you to the time when we can be workers together with God in saving perishing men and women. The work is winding up; Christ will soon come; I want to go with Him, don't you?

CHARLES SEARD,  
Metcalf, Miss.

Elder Peters presented the Sabbath to an audience of about eleven hundred. The entire city seemed to be stirred, I am sure that a number will take their stand for the truth.

F. L. PETERSON,  
Charlotte, N. C.

I am putting forth my best efforts in boosting for Oakwood. I already have the half consent of two.

ROUSE McLEOD,  
Englewood, N. J.

I want to see some new buildings when I get back to Oakwood. May the Lord bless the work there as never before. Remember me in your prayers and give my regards to the school family.

J. B. E. WILLIAMS,  
Laurens, S. C.

I would like very much to be in school by the first of November, but from the looks of things out here I don't know whether I shall or not. Combining the experiences that I have had in the past school year and these I am having out here I shall have a book to study from for the remainder of my life.

LENORA ELDON,  
Haynesville, Ala.

I plan to be at Oakwood in time for the opening of school in September. We are boosting for Oakwood here at Knoxville. Remember me to all my friends at the school.

ORA BELLE FINE,  
Knoxville, Tenn.

I trust that Oakwood will do more and better work in the future than ever before. I am very glad to hear of the number of colporteurs in the field and of their good reports.

MINETTE WARD,  
Elk Mountain, S. Dak.

I am doing what I can in boosting for O. J. C. I have written some letters and you will hear from me as soon as I get replies. Send me eight application blanks for my sisters, brother, and perhaps one or two others that may want to come. I am planning to be there at the opening in September.

HENRIETTA JACKSON,  
Greenwood, Miss.

I am busy at nights going out with Brother Newkirk giving Bible readings. Two have accepted the truth, and four more kept their first Sabbath last week. The people seem anxious to hear the truth, and new ones are inviting us to their homes for readings. I begin to know that the more souls come to Christ the nearer it brings His coming. Pray that the good work may continue.

JOSEPH HALL,  
Wilmington, N. C.

Many weeks have gone by since I left Oakwood. However, it seems that it has been only a few days. I am grateful to God for the ex-

periences that have been mine and most of all for the trials. Nothing shows up Jesus so much to me as trials. My experiences have been both bitter and sweet just as they were at Oakwood. But let me say to every boy and girl, stand firm to Oakwood, then when you go out in some unknown field where you will meet all kinds of tests as I have, you will be true to God.

Out of my hundred and twenty books I have twenty-eight left. The harvest truly is ripe. God has a work for every consecrated soul to do.

This is a hard field to work. Many of our young people are not found at the tent at night but at the picture shows. Oh, students! be true to your God; give Him the best that you have; don't try to divide yourself part with Satan and part with God. We can serve but one master.

My mind goes back to the prayer meetings we used to have in the President's office. How they encouraged me! I was always made glad when I went there with my trials, and oh! how little I knew of what I had to meet this summer, not in the work but among God's chosen people. I believe with all my heart that God is sifting His people. Satan is very busy. The tests and trials that came to me at Oakwood were only preparing me for the things that are coming to me now. Had I not remained faithful there I would have lost out here.

ORA HUTSON,  
8 Straight St.,  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

### Lake Cormorant, Miss.

RECENTLY while canvassing in this vicinity, I met in the field an old man whose general demeanor and manner of accosting me impressed me deeply that he was a true servant of the Master. I found upon conversation that he was a minister of the gospel and was very familiar with the scriptures. He listened very intently to my canvass and his face at times lighted up as I presented to him the lines of truth set forth in my book.

As I proceeded his interest deepened until he declared that if he were a young man he would attend

me in my work in order to gain a further knowledge of the Bible. I realized as never before the joy that comes from leading a soul nearer to the feet of Jesus and a better understanding of His word.

I accepted his cordial invitation to spend the night at his home and passed on to my work. I carried him in my mind the rest of that day and prayed that God would open his mind to His truth and bless my efforts to bring him the light.

In the evening I returned to his home and met his companion, apparently a humble Christian. After supper the Bibles were brought out and studied far into the night. At the close of our study he expressed himself as having received light and declared he would take a new stand for God and His truth.

Let us rejoice that another humble servant of Jesus has seen God's truth in clearer light, and is willing to devote the remnant of his days in bearing to others what has become so precious to him.

L. H. CONOLLY.

### Camden, Ala.

I WISH that it was possible that there could be found within the realm of scientific research such power as could be brought to bear with telling effect upon the minds of the young people of this denomination, the importance of a Christian education, the importance of an education such as is offered in the schools of this people.

There are many such schools in this good country and at this time I will make special reference to our school located at Huntsville, Ala., which has proven and is proving a great blessing to our cause in this Southland. I will substantiate this statement by telling what it has done for me and others.

It was while at this institution of learning that I first caught the missionary zeal, and soon found myself out on the firing line of Prince Immanuel, fighting against the bulwarks of sin—that is, in the colporteur work.

After going out last summer, and having my first year's experience, I repaired to Oakwood for continuing my studies, to enable me to

render still more efficient service in the Lord's cause. After my year's experience in school I left again this year for the field with a greater determination and a more earnest consecration to wage a greater warfare against sin for the cause of Christ; all due to the impelling force of Christian influence to which I was subjected while in school.

THOMAS FOUNTAIN.

### The October Collection

OCTOBER 11 has been set apart by the General Conference to gather in money to assist in building churches and bettering the facilities at the Oakwood School. Oakwood Junior College is much in need of a new dormitory. The boys have not at the present time a comfortable house to live in. Their home should be equal to that of the girls, but it is not. The purpose of this collection is to secure for our boys the best of accommodation, and also for the erection of church buildings in needy places in this field.

We trust that all of our people will interest themselves in this collection, for when the needs of the cause are fully met we will find a great ingathering of souls. From the various parts of the Southland reports are coming in of the good work being done by our preachers and Bible workers. These workers received their education largely at Oakwood, and it is not necessary to say that with increased facilities the school will be able to turn out more workers in the days to come than it has done in the past. With increasing demands for help we must increase our facilities for the education of our young people.

Everything is focussing toward the coming of the Lord. It cannot be that we will have much longer to work. We earnestly petition our people everywhere in all the churches, and also the isolated brethren and sisters to remember this day's offering, and if you are away from the church will you not kindly send your offering to the church or to your Tract Society? We earnestly solicit your offerings and your prayers for the upbuilding of the work in the Southland.

### The Value Of A Scholarship

THERE are at least three good reasons why students should earn a scholarship this summer. First, the work of spreading the gospel was never in greater need of consecrated workers. Second, the experience and blessings that come as a result of such missionary activities greatly strengthen one's Christian character. Third, to have earned through your own efforts all expenses for an entire school year is a mark of accomplishment that commands the respect of others.

The *Watchman Magazine* scholarship plan is simple and successful. To earn a \$200.00 scholarship requires less than \$300.00 in *Watchman Magazine* sales. Magazines are a cash sale proposition and the most current form of literature for presenting the message. Moreover, our cities where more than sixty per cent of the people live, are greatly in need of the gospel of a soon-coming Saviour. The servant of the Lord has said, "Unless more is done than has been done for the cities of America, ministers and people will have a heavy account to settle with the One who has given to every man his work." Vol. 8, p. 35. Let each one realize that this summer is his or her greatest opportunity. A. W. SPALDING.

### Magazines A Soul Winning Agency

THE following letter has just been received by the *Watchman Magazine* and is another evidence of the great missionary work that our monthly magazines are doing in saving men and women from the evils of this present life. There should be many students who will spend their summer vacations in the cities circulating magazines. The *Watchman* Scholarship Plan offers many advantages.

Dear Friends:

Enclosed find money order, for which please enter my subscription for one year, beginning with the next issue.

I have been a subscriber to the *Watchman Magazine* for several months, and find it is the best teacher of Christianity a Protestant can have. I was once very fond of the present evils of life (dancing and

drinking), but thank God through faith in Jesus and the good Christian instruction I have had from the *Watchman Magazine*, I have reformed. I intend to give the knowledge I have received to some of my fellowmen and also to the members of my household, and I believe the *Watchman Magazine* is the best means by which I can do it. It teaches the word of God in such a manner that the most scientific and also the most uneducated can understand it.

May the grace of God shine upon each one who has contributed articles which have been the cause of my reformation.

Yours in brotherhood and sincerity,  
(Signed) W. B. LEWIS.

### Have You A Spanish Neighbor?

IF so, you will be glad to know of a new Spanish magazine which will enter the field in July, sent forth by the Pacific Press Publishing Association of Mountain View, Cal. Many thousand persons of Spanish birth are scattered through our cities. It is stated that more than one-fourth of these are located in New York. The State of Florida stands next in point of numbers, then California and Louisiana. Professional and skilled classes constitute a third of the recent Spanish immigrants to our country, among which may be classed actors, physicians, artists and lawyers. In addition to these there are many Spanish-Americans and Mexicans. We have had no Spanish magazine through which to make friends with these people and teach them the truth, and while our workers in Spanish-speaking fields have been putting forth strenuous efforts to reach the people on their native soil, we here in America have passed by those in our midst, feeling ourselves unable to communicate with them. This is no longer necessary, for an attractive Spanish magazine is now available, and we are sure that the Spanish people will show the same appreciation for literature in their native tongue as people of other nationalities do. Search out your Spanish neighbors and give them the message while probation's hour still lingers.

The Home Missionary Department takes pleasure in complying with the request of the publishers to make this announcement, and and while we do not know the name of the magazine, we understand that it will be issued quarterly, will contain twenty pages, including a two-color cover, and will sell for fifteen cents per copy, or fifty cents for a yearly subscription, with discount on clubs. Orders should now be placed through the Tract Society. We hope this periodical will start out with a long list of yearly subscriptions, and we would be glad to be informed of interesting experiences which develop.

C. V. LEACH, *Secretary*,  
*Home Missionary Dept.*  
*Takoma Park, D. C.*

### Birmingham Theatre Effort

AFTER conducting the union effort in the city of New Orleans last fall I came to the city of Birmingham, Ala.. The dear Lord exceedingly blessed our efforts in the former place. Over one hundred have been taken into the church up to date from the effort and the subsequent labors of the pastor, Elder N. B. King.

The work in Birmingham was in a very needy condition. Only those on the ground could understand the sad state of the church. Our first step was painting the old building, then we had some good, earnest prayer meetings during the week along with our regular Sabbath services. The result was a revival in the church.

I next laid plans for a public effort. The building being too small and in a very poor location, we secured a theatre in the very heart of the city after a very trying experience. We began our meetings on January 24, and from the start the interest was good. It was my first theatre experience; so we had to learn as we went along.

In the month of February the Union conference held several meetings in the city, among which was the Mission workers' meeting which was a great help to us. We had several to speak on the Sabbath, among whom were Elders A. G. Daniels, W. H. Branson, W. H. Green and G. E. Peters. Our lease

expired May 27, and by the grace of God we were able to baptize fifty-three as a direct result of the meetings. We give God all the praise.

We have sold the old church building and have purchased a better location on one of the main streets. We are planning to erect a neat house of worship in the very near future.

The Union workers who assisted were Brother H. C. Lewis and Sisters L. Green and A. Prewitt. Sister Prewitt remained only a very short time owing to illness. Pastor T. H. Allison was borrowed from the Tennessee Mission and rendered excellent help in the music. The local worker was Sister D. Wilson who had been alone in this city and had done very creditable work.

Our offerings averaged \$30.00 weekly during the first part of the effort. On June 20 we pitched our tent in the eastern part of the city and our attendance has been good. The interest at the present is at white heat and an excellent class of people are attending. We solicit an interest in your prayers for a good harvest of souls in this effort also.

J. H. LAWRENCE,  
*S. U. Mission Evangelist.*

### Oakwood S. S. Passes Its Goal

SABBATH, June 28 was a glorious day for the Oakwood Sabbath School. With twelve missionaries on board our ship *Oakwood*, and \$132.00 to pay their way to the Philippines, we patiently waited for their brother, missionary number thirteen, to see what his donation would be. The summer school teachers being with us, number thirteen expected more than his brother missionaries and he got it. When counted it was \$44.13, making a total of \$174.43 or \$31.43 over our goal which was set at \$143.00 for the quarter. With Elder Halladay as engineer the stacks soon began to smoke, the moorings were cut and our ship, loaded with missionaries, slowly, but with increasing speed, crossed the front of the chapel and disappeared to the westward, headed for the Philippines. We thank the students and teachers for their liberal donations.

RICHARD LOUDEN, *Supt.*

### Find A Way Or Make One

THE young man or young woman who really possesses the mettle to be of value in this great closing message will find a way or make one to go to school, and the way that is *made* leads more surely and more directly to usefulness than the way that is *found*.

Our cause is crying out for young people who are trained and educated, and let no one think that this training and education are beyond his grasp. I was talking with one of our prominent physicians the other day, who said he entered Union College with just \$40.00 in his pocket. He staid in college six consecutive years and finished his course, then entered medical college and graduated as a physician with \$150.00 and all debts paid. All these ten years he received no outside help. He made his way.

Elder E. R. Palmer, manager of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, walked a mile to school the year he was sixteen, cared for sixteen cows, five horses, twenty hogs, one hundred sheep and one hundred hens, pumped all the water for the stock and carried in all the wood. He then entered South Lancaster Academy with \$9.00 in his pocket, and finally finished the Latin Scientific course.

Professor G. W. Caviness, at one time president of Battle Creek College and now in charge of our work in Mexico, made his entire way through college by farm work, teaching school, working nights and mornings and Sundays, milking and taking care of cows and doing whatever odd jobs he could find to do.

Elder S. N. Haskell made his way by much reading and hard study. When only a boy he was a great reader, and the money other boys spent for pleasure he invested in books, and by the time he was twenty years of age he had acquired a large library. By spending all his spare money for books, in the course of a few years he had a library of two thousand volumes worth up to \$3,000.00.

Elder A. G. Daniels entered Battle Creek College when that school was first opened and he said he surely would have been rejected if anything more than a letter of

recommendation from his church elder had been required. Yet he had something more than that for he states, "I made up my mind never to be defeated by difficulties and obstacles."

Elder J. N. Loughborough made his way in school by getting wood, sweeping and dusting school rooms, ringing the bell, building fires and selling the ashes to a nearby ashery.

Men who succeed are men who work, and anyone who is willing to work can succeed. If you are not properly trained and educated for the great duties of life, do not despair. You can "make a way." Thousands have done it, and are doing it. It is in the reach of anyone who makes up his mind "never to be defeated by difficulties and obstacles."

—D. D. Rees  
*in Central Union Outlook.*

### I'll Find A Way, Or Make It!

It was a noble Roman,

In Rome's imperial day,  
Who heard a coward croaker

Before the castle say,  
"They're safe in such a fortress;  
There is no way to shake it!"  
"On! On!" exclaimed the hero;  
"I'll find a way, or make it!"

Is power your ambition?

Her path is steep and high;  
In vain he seeks her temple  
Content to gaze and sigh.  
The shining throne is waiting,  
But he alone can take it  
Who says, with Roman firmness  
"I'll find a way, or make it!"

Is learning your ambition?

There is a royal road;  
Alike the peer and peasant  
Must climb to her abode:  
Who feels the thirst for knowledge  
In Helicon may slake it,  
If he has still the Roman will  
To "find a way, or make it."

Is education worth the getting?

It must be bravely sought;  
With wishing and with fretting  
The boon cannot be bought;  
To all the prize is open,  
But he alone can take it  
Who says with Roman courage,  
"I'll find a way, or make it!"  
—John Godfrey Saxe



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## OAKWOOD NEWS

Elder and Sister Haskell spent several days with us near the close of the summer school. All enjoyed their Bible lessons, and voted to have them return during the winter session.

Each Sunday afternoon students and teachers gather in the chapel for industrial meeting, when the progress of the industrial work is discussed and plans made for the work of the week.

On Tuesday, Friday, and Sabbath evenings union worship is held in the chapel. At these times messages from absent students and teachers are read, and all our absent members are remembered in our prayer service.

As a remembrance of their summer's stay with us, in one of their last sessions the summer school teachers voted to purchase sets of Missionary Volunteer Reading Course books to be placed in our library. We appreciate their kindness in leaving us such a substantial and useful memento, and shall see that they are suitably labeled.

The daily news from our absent students, telling of the promising young people they are interesting in getting an education at Oakwood, is very cheering, and yet with it all comes the responsibility of preparing to care for those who shall be able to qualify for entrance. This means that we must enlarge our facilities and equipment, and as a result have a larger force of workers to put into the field next season than ever before. What are you doing to help us to bring about this result?

Solomon Troy writes from Ann Arbor, Mich., of his plans to be at Oakwood again this year.

Our six week's term of summer school closed July 22 with a three day's institute, attended by the educational superintendents of the Southern and Southeastern Union Conference, the Union Conference Secretaries, and Sister Sarah E. Peck, of the General Conference Educational Department, Washington, D. C.

We are very grateful to Sister C. C. Lewis, of Washington, D. C., for her earnest efforts to instruct those in attendance at the summer school. She claims to like us better the longer she is with us, and she certainly has the needs of Oakwood at heart.

Brother Swofford, our farmer, recently spent a week attending a Farmer's Institute at Clemenson College, South Carolina. He reports a very pleasant and profitable time, and brought back some good suggestions for the furtherance of our agricultural work.

After enforced delays our calendar is ready for the press, and we hope to mail it out early this month.

Brother W. H. Lewis, of Ford, Va., has arrived, and is assisting with the mechanical work. His wife and two daughters will come later. This family has spent some time as missionaries in Africa, and we are very glad to have workers with this foreign missionary spirit connected with us.

Professor Halladay recently made a visit to several points in Kentucky and Virginia, purchasing machinery for Oakwood. A large boiler for the saw mill and one for the electric light plant, and a large planing and matching machine are in the items he obtained.

Three more carloads of coal have been ordered for our winter's supply. We have put three in the bins before ordering this.

We were very much pleased to have Professor and Sister C. J. Boyd with us the closing week of summer school. We made good use of them while here, but they seemed to enjoy their visit just the same. Brother Boyd is quite himself again physically.

Professor Corkham has accepted work in the Louisiana Conference office. He writes that things are very different in New Orleans, but that he is learning to like them.

Our fourteen student-farmers are quite enthusiastic over their project plots, which are doing very well. Each one is looking forward to a good harvest. One of the girls has the best plot of corn.

Sister Mary M. Day of Nashville, Tenn., has arrived to assist with the office work temporarily. She has had long experience in our offices, and likes her work at Oakwood.

As these notes are being written four wagons are hauling a carload of roofing out to the school. This is for our new buildings. We also have a carload of lathing ordered.

Late last month our carpenter, Brother Clark, accompanied Mitchell Palmer and Raymond Wood on a visit to the Southern Junior College, at Ooltewah, Tenn. All reported a profitable and interesting visit.

Robert Morgan returned July 30 after serving nine months in the American army in France. He is glad to get back to Oakwood, and lost no time after getting his discharge.

Brother A. V. Ward, who has been bookkeeper for Oakwood the past year, has accepted the Home Missionary Department work in the Alabama Conference, and has moved with his family to Birmingham. He is very enthusiastic about his new work, and will prove efficient in this needy field.

Word from brethren Bird and Jacobsen tell us that they expect to be at Oakwood again as soon as the council closes the second week of August. They report a very profitable time. Elder Bird is investing in some books for the library.

Just as we were preparing to print this issue fire destroyed the little pump house and the water tower between the garage and Oaklawn. Fortunately the wind was favorable, and in answer to prayers a shower came up, and no other damage was done. The work of restoring the tank is being rapidly pushed, so that water will be on soon.