

# SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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## An Amateur Poet's Apology and Prayer

As God has put within my heart  
Deep longings for the better part,  
I've written down in measured verse  
Some thoughts that I would oft rehearse;  
That from these things I may not turn,  
But for them evermore may yearn,  
For God has promised to supply  
My need if I on him rely,  
And hunger for the living word  
That to its depths my heart has stirred.  
Therefore my prayer shall ever be,  
"Open mine eyes that I may see  
My great abiding need of thee:  
Then, as the branch draws from the vine,  
Thine own life current shall be mine."

C. P. B.

## Our Publishing House

### Home Office News

SALES report for week ending Jan. 18, 1913: Total number bound volumes, 379; *Watchman*, 3,498.

Eld. J. E. White, who is now in Washington, writes that he will visit Nashville before returning to Marshall, Mich.

Brother Eastman returned from the Knoxville institute Sunday morning. He gave us an encouraging chapel talk Monday morning. He will leave this week for the Keene meeting.

Brother Clarence White, linotype operator, who formerly worked here, but who has been spending some time in Wisconsin, is with us again for a short time. This will enable us to catch up with our type work which has been very much behind for some time. With two operators the machine can be kept going night and day.

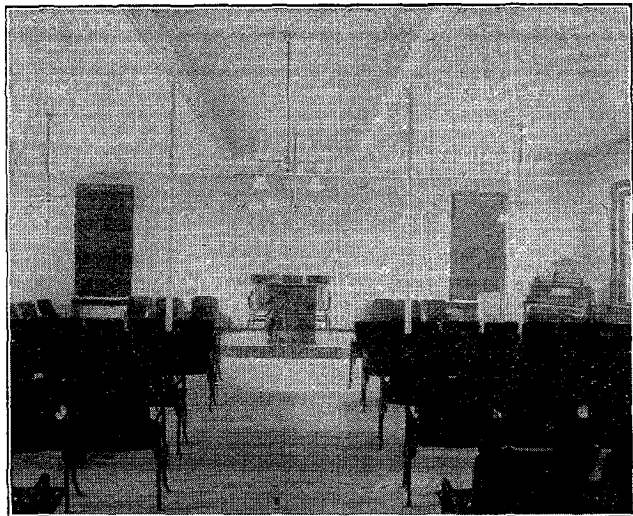
Work which has been somewhat slack in the press-room since the holidays, is "picking up" somewhat.

Our picture this week shows the Publishing House chapel, a room 30x40 feet, with seating capacity of one hundred people as now furnished. Probably however in case of necessity a hundred and fifty persons could be seated in this room.

The view in this picture is from rear to front, the narrow way of the room, the greater length being across from side to side. The platform and speakers stand show quite plainly, but the motto, "What Hath God Wrought!" neatly painted in two colors upon the wall shows too faintly in this picture to be read.

At half past six o'clock one morning each week all the employees of the Southern Publishing Association assemble in this room for roll-call and a short devotional service. Upon

other days the employees meet in their respective departments for a fifteen-minute period of worship before entering upon the work of the day. Thus the work of each day is begun with prayer.



THE PUBLISHING HOUSE CHAPEL

FROM ONE OF OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Writing from Oklahoma City under date of January 9, C. L. Collison, field agent, says:—

"Your kind letter of the 1st was received by me in the field. Thank you very much for the kind wishes for the coming year. I felt thankful to the Lord when I read of the large gain that had been made in sales during 1912, and I with you hope for further advances during 1913.

"I left for the field before daylight on the morning of January 3rd, and reached the German brother who was expecting to start out in the colporteur work, shortly after noon. We studied together until Monday morning, when we went to work in a blizzard. They tell me it was zero weather and I do not doubt it by the way it felt, but we had asked the Lord to prepare the way and believed that he had taken this way to do it. We put in ten hours, gave ten exhibitions and received from the Lord a blessing. We were enabled to sell to nine of the families visited and received a total of \$26.25 worth of business during the day, of which \$4 was cash sales of helps. We again studied that night, and the next morning the weather was as bad as ever, but before train time we were enabled to visit five more families and received five orders and sold \$1.50 worth of helps. This was a total of \$19.50 worth of business for four hours.

"Several others have started the year's work already and we expect, with the Lord's help, to have a good report for every week of the year."

## Southern Union Conference

### Union Conference Directory

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### Institutes for the Southern Union Conference

ON account of the postponement of the annual meeting of the Southern Publishing Association to February 3, it becomes necessary to change the date of the Louisiana institute from January 31 to February 9 to February 7-16. The Mississippi Conference also desires to postpone their institute ten days, which will bring it to February 14-23. Now if Alabama, Tennessee River, and Kentucky will agree to a ten days' postponement, their institutes respectively will be held as follows:—

Alabama, February 21-March 2; Tennessee River, February 28-March 9; and Kentucky, March 7-16.

This will put our white institutes in fine order. If any of the conferences have given out notices this will give ample time to make correction. C. D. WOLFF, *General Agent*.

### The Colporteur Work in the Southern Union Conference

THE outlook for the book work in this field for 1913 is good, and is growing brighter every week. According to a recent report from Brother Reeder, field agent of Louisiana, the prospect for workers in that conference are more encouraging than for many months past. It is confidently hoped that at least a dozen in that State will take instruction at the coming institute and stand by the work through the year. The new field agent of Mississippi is full of courage and push and has gone to work in dead earnest to sound the possibilities of this branch of the work in his conference. He reports having found one new recruit already who is planning to take the institute work and sell one thousand dollars' worth of books before the close of the year. Let us earnestly pray that God will impress many more to enter his service in this whole-hearted way. This is the very thing God is calling upon his people to do everywhere so that he can cut short this dark reign of sin and misery.

The Alabama leaders are leaving no stone unturned to make the work a grand success in that conference. It is expected that a new era in the colporteur work will begin in that State with the beginning of the institute next month.

The Tennessee River and Kentucky Conference heads are laying broad plans to press all their available material into service.

Let all true friends of the "Cause" pray earnestly to the Master to send many laborers into his harvest.

C. D. WOLFF, *General Agent*.

"Our House Which Is from Heaven, or Departing and Being with Christ," a study of 2 Cor. 5:1-9 and Phil. 1:23, 24. This tract is by Elder C. P. Bollman and is on the state of the dead. In this little tract the author so presents the subject as to allay rather than arouse prejudice in the mind of the reader.

This is an excellent tract for ministers and Bible workers to use in their work, as well as for church members to use among their neighbors.

W. W. EASTMAN.

## Alabama Conference

### Conference Directory

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### News Notes

THE first month of the new year will soon be in the past. Are you doing all you can to give this truth to others? I am sure that if every member of our conference will do all he can to bring some one into the fold, we will double our membership during 1913. Let us resolve to do all we can.

The canvassers are now all in the field again and are doing faithful work. Brother Wilson is now at Bridgeport with Brother Jacks.

Brother Dennis, of Montgomery, has sent us a copy of one of the daily papers of that city containing an article on the Sabbath-School contributions of Seventh-day Adventists. I am sure the time has come for us to use the daily press to acquaint the people with our work. Many of the daily papers will print articles for us if we approach them in the right way.

Elder Miller has been visiting some of the churches and isolated members the past two weeks.

We were pleased to receive a visit last week from Brother Hickey, from Sheffield. We are always glad to have any one call at the office. The office is near the business center of the city and is easily found. When you are in Birmingham, call on us for we are anxious to get better acquainted.

We are receiving subscriptions for the WORKER every week. Have you sent in your subscription yet? The price of the WORKER is only fifty cents a year, and every family in the conference should receive it every week.

We have received a letter from the librarian of the Mobile church, stating that they are going to organize a missionary society in that church. This is an advance step, and we are sure the Lord will bless the efforts of the members of that church as they endeavor to do more for the Master. Every church in the conference should have a good live missionary society. If you do not have a missionary society in your church organize one at once, and the Lord will bless you greatly. The Birmingham church has a live society, and some of the members who thought they could do nothing have gone out in the work, and the Lord has greatly blessed them.

Bro. H. G. Smith, who is canvassing in Troy, writes that he has found some Sabbath-keepers in that county who have never heard a sermon by a Seventh-day Adventist minister. Some more fruits of the faithful colporteur. May this be an encouragement to all those who are going from door to door with our precious books. Brother Smith is of good courage.

Brother Dasent has been visiting Decatur and Gadsden in the interest of the work of the colored people at those places. The colored church in Birmingham is doing faithful work. They have organized into bands and are doing systematic work.

The tract society is now prepared to give your orders prompt attention. There have been some unavoidable delays in the past, but we think all the difficulties have now been overcome. Send us your orders.

"If prayer always brought material profit, it would soon be the prey of the speculator."

## Kentucky Conference

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### Home—Heaven

BY MINNIE LOUISE SCOTT

I LOVE to watch the drifting clouds  
 That move so slowly by,  
 And look at eve like burnished gold  
 Laid lightly in the sky.

I love to think that I some day,  
 Beyond those clouds may be,  
 In mansions bright, with Jesus dear  
 Through all eternity.

### Notes from the Office

BROTHER BECK is now out in the field assisting Bro. Curtis Pound, working with "Daniel and the Revelation," and reports having taken \$25 worth of orders the past week. Considerable rain has been experienced in this section of the State and the brethren report that many streams are out of their banks and the territory is hard to work, but the men in the field are of good courage and are pressing the battle right on, with a firm determination to conquer even unto the end.

Bro. James Rice is now located at Cynthiana and reports having taken eight subscriptions for the *Watchman* in one day. Surely this is splendid progress. Brother Rice has just taken up work in our field, having formerly worked in the Michigan Conference. Brother Chamberlain is also with him in the good work.

Sister Latitia Steele has handed in her report for the year and has sold over 900 of our ten cent magazines, besides having sold fifty-two copies of "Bible Footlights," and numerous helps. We wish that more of our colored brethren would enter the canvassing work and be as faithful as Sister Steele has been.

We have just received a large order for "Bible Footlights" from Brother Shoemaker, and we are very much pleased to know that deliveries are about to begin again after the long spell of bad weather.

The tract society office has received only two reports from the agents out in the field, and this counts for the omission in the last two issues of the *WORKER*. Brethren, please send in your report each week promptly, so that we may not fall short when the report comes out. Even though your work may not be large in totals, yet, we must have these weekly reports as a basis for the publishing house to manufacture the books.

We wish to thank each and every one of the workers in the conference for their past promptness in returning the inventory of the books on hand each month, and assure you that this assists us materially in knowing just what progress you are making and how your account stands.

We have a few more *Quarterlies* on hand and if you have not secured yours as yet do so at once, as the supply will soon be exhausted. Bro. Henry Jones, of Ford, Ky., has not been permitted to enter the work this year on account of the illness of his wife. Let us remember this brother and

sister in our prayers that she may be restored to health and Brother Jones again take up the sale of our good literature.

Elder Brown the conference president has just returned from a visit to the eastern part of the State. Several took their stand for the truth, and three individuals were buried with their Lord in baptism.

We have a few copies of "Temperance Torchlights" which we would be glad to dispose of, and we will allow a special discount of ten per cent in order to dispose of these books quickly.

Let everyone take advantage of the special club offer for our periodicals and magazines before the 1st of February as at the beginning of the month the club prices will no longer be in effect. This list will be found in the Week of Prayer number of the *Review*.  
 F. C. BRUCE.

### Notes from the President

A YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY was organized in the Louisville church last week. Miss Anna Hornung is the leader, and Miss Ruth Bassing, Secretary. We are glad to see this step taken, as our young people should be pressed into service.

Bro. Curtis Pound has begun canvassing in Montgomery County with "Daniel and the Revelation," and we expect to see good results from his work.

Brother Beck is now at Cynthiana, Harrison County, assisting Brethren Rice and Chamberlain who will canvass the county for "Great Controversy." Let us all remember these workers who are out on the firing line, and ask God to give them success.

An urgent call has come from Lee County, asking that meetings be held there. We would be glad if these calls could all be filled promptly, but our ministers are few. Let us all be faithful in paying our tithe, so that we can add other workers to our number.

Brother Winkler is now canvassing for "Bible Footlights," in Clark County.

Elder Brown spent a short time at Bro. J. W. Wheeler's home in Nicholasville. He reports them of good courage.

Baptismal services were held at Yamacraw last Thursday. Three went forward in the ordinance.

Let all our people keep in mind that the Canvassers' Institute will be held in March, and we are looking for you to fill up the Gideon's band and help us warn the people of Kentucky by putting the printed page in the homes of the people. Let church officers encourage those that ought to be in the work to plan so they can attend the Institute.

### FORD AND YAMACRAW

It has been the privilege of the writer to visit the above places the past week. At Ford a profitable meeting was held. The Lord came very near by his Spirit, and hearts were touched. We believe that some of them will soon unite with the church. Three souls were added to the church at the quarterly meeting. The work at this place has been held back to some extent because we have no permanent place of worship. But I am glad to state that plans were laid to raise money by pledges to erect a neat place for worship. The brethren are doing what they can in the way of giving, and now they have decided to ask their neighbors to assist them. If there are any of the readers of the *WORKER* in Kentucky who desire to assist this new church it will be appreciated. Send money to the conference office, and it will be sent on at once.

I had opportunity of visiting Brother Allman and family on my way to Yamacraw. I was glad to see them and to learn of their courage in the Lord. I arrived at Stearns at

4 P. M. Bro. W. H. White met me at the station and we started to walk to Yamacraw, a distance of about five miles. After one and a half hours we came to the home of Bro. James Hickman and were invited in to supper which we enjoyed very much. After eating we went to the place of meeting. All seemed to enjoy the service, and we made arrangements for baptism the next day. We were glad to see three souls ready to give up the world and take their stand with the remnant church. While we could not stay with this company very long yet we spoke four times. At the last meeting two adults declared publicly that they would keep God's Sabbath. Brother White has been working hard for the people in this place, and we are glad to see results from his efforts. We expect to see some enter the canvassing work from this company. Brother White remained to follow up the work for a few days longer. I enjoyed this trip and meeting with these believers in the message. My prayer will ascend to God to bless the work, and bring others to obey the truth.

B. W. BROWN.

### Treasurer's Report, Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1912

#### TITHE

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Louisville .....        | \$ 443 08        |
| Conference Church ..... | 143 09           |
| Bowling Green .....     | 141 15           |
| Grove .....             | 76 18            |
| Ford .....              | 72 24            |
| Lexington .....         | 56 89            |
| Sand Hill .....         | 30 29            |
| Isolated Members .....  | 30 04            |
| Locust Branch .....     | 28 15            |
| Hartford .....          | 18 94            |
| <b>Total .....</b>      | <b>\$1040 05</b> |

#### OFFERINGS

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Sabbath-School .....       | \$ 217 48        |
| Foreign Missions .....     | 166 37           |
| Harvest Ingathering .....  | 152 82           |
| Thirteenth Sabbath .....   | 87 84            |
| Annual .....               | 75 10            |
| Nashville Sanitarium ..... | 17 25            |
| Colored Work .....         | 5 65             |
| Midsummer .....            | 3 54             |
| Second Sabbath .....       | 45               |
| <b>Total .....</b>         | <b>\$ 726 50</b> |

### Report of Missions, Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1912

#### TITHE

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Louisville No. 1 ..... | \$ 351 72        |
| Lexington No. 1 .....  | 34 60            |
| <b>Total .....</b>     | <b>\$ 386 32</b> |

#### OFFERINGS

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Foreign Missions .....   | \$ 18 37        |
| Sabbath-School .....     | 18 21           |
| Annual .....             | 13 05           |
| Midsummer .....          | 1 33            |
| Thirteenth Sabbath ..... | 83              |
| <b>Total .....</b>       | <b>\$ 51 79</b> |

F. C. BRUCE, *Treas.*

## Louisiana Conference

### Conference Directory

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 LYDIA E. PARMELE, Medical.

### New Orleans Sabbath-School

KNOWING that the readers of the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER are always interested in the progress that is being made in any department of the work, I thought I would write and tell about the good year we have had in our Sabbath-school work in New Orleans.

At the beginning of the year 1912 we had a Sabbath-school membership of seventy-five. The question was put to the school, "How much shall we raise for missions this year?" We had raised during 1911 nine dollars more than anticipated, amounting to \$259.95. And as we always want our standard high the school with one voice answered the question with the words, "A Dollar a Day For Missions," or \$366 for the Leap Year. This amount would be \$106.05 over the previous year, 1911. But by the help of the Lord and the faithful co-operation of the entire school we were able to pass our mark, and raised \$402.77. This, as you will note, is a gain of \$36.77 over what we had hoped to raise, and an increase over the year 1911 of \$142.82.

The Thirteenth Sabbath offerings have been large also, the last one amounting to over \$19.

One thing very interesting in the history of our Sabbath-school is that ever since we took action, in 1909, to give all our donations to missions, there has been a continual increase in both membership and offerings.

Our aim for 1913 is "Five Hundred Dollars For Missions." Our present membership is eighty-five. Our prayer is that we may continue to grow and prosper.

W. P. MC LENNAN.

### Forward Movement in New Orleans

WE are glad to report that the forward movement is stirring the company of Sabbath-keepers in the city of New Orleans to action. The message that has repeatedly come to God's people "that now is the time to work the cities, and that the laymen are to act a part in this closing work," is being responded to by many earnest souls, each seeking to find his or her place in which to work.

The plan to organize bands, or companies for this work is under way. The main part of the city being divided into five sections and a leader chosen for the management of the work in each section to do aggressive and systematic work with Bible workers, magazine and tract workers, and Christian help workers.

Sunday morning, the 12th, eight volunteers went out in the city from home to home with gospel literature, distributing 1,289 pages of tracts and 199 periodicals. Of this number eighty-two papers were given away and 117 magazines and two "Gospel Primers" sold for cash, also one yearly subscription taken for a magazine; thus demonstrating that Sunday may be used as a day for missionary work.

The success attending this effort has given an inspiration to

the church to be up and doing. The Word says, "Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only." The doers of the work will receive much of the blessing of God. Let us be faithful workers.

M. C. KENYON.

### Bible Workers' Training Course

IN all lines of the work of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination there is a great dearth of laborers. Our work has expanded so rapidly that we have been unable to recruit our ranks of workers fast enough.

There is in this denomination yet a large amount of talent that should be utilized. Many of our young people are finding their way into the world because they have felt it impossible for them to prepare for the work of the Lord.

To supply this great lack of workers in our own State, as well as to assist our young people in finding a place in the work of this fast-closing message, the Louisiana Conference Committee has planned for a special course of Bible training to be held in New Orleans, from March 2 to May 2, 1913. It is hoped that many will avail themselves of this opportunity, and that many of those who do respond will become real burden bearers in this cause, though the committee does not guarantee employment to any when the course is finished.

#### STUDIES

The studies that will be pursued during this course will include the following: Bible Doctrines, Methods of Work, Hydrotherapy, with demonstrations, Hygienic Cookery, and practical field work.

A series of meetings will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church building, in which it is expected that all attending this course will take an active part.

#### EXPENSES

For such as are recommended for the course by their church elder and by at least one member of the Conference Committee, room rent in the mission will be furnished free.

Board will be furnished on the club plan, the cost of which should not exceed fifteen cents a meal, and at two meals a day, this would make a total expense of \$18.30. Opportunity will be given those in attendance to sell our literature in the city from which they will be able to realize some thing with which to meet this expense. The tuition will be free.

#### PROGRAM

The program will be about as follows: Recitation periods 8:30 A. M. to 12 M. Field work 2 to 5 P. M., Workers' Council and preparation for night service at the church 5:30.

Should the committees of any of the other conferences composing the Southern Union wish to recommend students to this course they will be made welcome, and will be given the same consideration as those from the Louisiana Conference, except in the matter of room rent.

For further information, address

ELD. R. W. PARMELE,  
810 Jackson Ave., New Orleans, La.

### News Items

ELD. R. W. PARMELE is, at present, making a visit to the following churches, and according to his plan spending a few days with each. January 5 was spent in Jennings. In the Sunday afternoon meeting quite a number listened to the interesting subject, "The Eastern Question." The brethren having scattered the announcement in good time.

Monday, Brother Bolles brought Elder Parmele to Lake Arthur in his auto, services being held in the church that

night. After remaining in Lake Arthur until Thursday, January 9, De Ridder was visited.

After Sabbath, the following places each received a visit, Lake Charles, Welch, Shreveport and Ringgold; the last named place being reached about the end of the month.

Bro. M. S. Hubbell, of Shreveport, is planning an active campaign in this State with *Protestant* and *Liberty*, five hundred of these magazines going to his address. We may expect to see some good reports from him in the near future.

Mrs Effie Johnstone, of Alexandria, ordered one hundred of the February *Watchman*. Brother Reeder predicts the best of success for Sister Johnstone and we are sure that the Lord will bless her efforts.

The New Orleans magazine workers requested us to telegraph for 500 January *Watchman*, and *Life and Health*. The *Watchman* are at hand and will be gone by the end of next week. New Orleans is a strong Catholic city, but our young ladies are having the best of success both in the residence and business sections. The business men of this city are interested in our publications. This office has received several notifications from our Publishing Houses giving the names and addresses of persons who had written to them direct asking for information.

How is this for a starter, in connection with their magazines, several of our workers have carried along a sample of "New Testament Primer." One took seventeen orders, another nine, and another twenty-five in just a few hours' work one day.

Bro. A. Lansdale, of Eros, has expressed a strong desire to again enter the colporteur work. We hope that the way will open for him to do so.

Bro. C. P. Bodwell has lately entered our State, and is at present located at Kingston. He is having very good success in taking orders for "Practical Guide," and "Great Controversy." We expect to see some good live reports from this place and will gladly pass them on for the benefit of our WORKER family.

From some unknown cause our reports this week are almost minus. This should not be, for we desire a report even though the work done is little. Our list of book workers at present is as follows: F. H. Berry, C. P. Bodwell, W. J. Hirst, John Harzman, I. J. Reed, A. Thresher. Magazine workers: Dora Borgess, Florence Grantham, Mrs. Mattie Johnson, Miss Bessie Johnstone, Mrs. Effie Johnstone, Josie Jenevein, Emi Lou Stuart, and M. S. Hubbell, besides others who are doing some work, but have not as yet entered the field for regular work.

We learn that Miss Frances Lanchas, with whom many of us are acquainted, now a student of Williamsdale Academy, has earned a half scholarship by selling six hundred magazines. Did you ever hear one of our young people say, "I do wish the Lord would open the way for me to attend school"? Of course you have, and there is no better way than to get out and earn it in a short while by selling our splendid magazines.

If there is a single person in the State of Louisiana that wishes to make an active effort towards earning a scholarship by the sale of books or magazines we invite their correspondence.

Nothing succeeds like success.

Wanted.—Some one to do missionary work in your home town. Will you do it? If so, ask us how. We will gladly furnish the means and instructions; you supply the time and reap the reward.

"The Eastern Question, or the Turkish Power in the Light of Prophecy," by L. A. Smith, and "Turkey and its End," by E. E. Andross, are the tracts that you need to hand out to

your friends just at this time. We have a good supply of them for you and will send them out post-paid at one cent each for the first, and two cents each for the second named. Add two cents postage for less than ten cents worth.

Bro. M. D. Broussard, of Hobart, was an office visitor this week. We were glad to welcome him, and appreciated his presence at the Young People's monthly business meeting.

Elder Parmele is out visiting churches. He has visited Jennings, Lake Arthur, Welch, Lake Charles, and the Deridder company. He reports good meetings at all of these places.

Do not forget the Canvassers' Institute at Ringgold, February 7-16. A profitable time is expected. Come. Your expenses will be refunded if you enter the work and continue in it.

O. R. GODSMARK.

## Mississippi Conference

### Conference Directory

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### News Notes

Eld. J. A. Morrow has just returned from a very pleasant visit with an isolated Sabbath-keeper at Flora, Mississippi, and a man and wife at Pochahontas who are interested in the truth.

Elder Wiest will leave Sunday morning for Speed, where he expects to hold a short series of meetings.

Bro. H. G. Miller has been out in the field this week. From a communication by telephone we learn that he is meeting with success.

We deeply regret losing Brother Miller as a field agent, but feel that it is only just that he should rest from this work for a while. He has been field agent in North Carolina, and in this State for the past nine years, and has built the very foundation of the book work in Mississippi. He has done faithful and efficient work, which is certainly appreciated here.

We are glad to welcome Bro. Virgil Smith as our new field agent, and feel that with the co-operation and prayers of his brethren that he will make a success of the work.

We are just entering the year 1913, with its many needs for the work. We are thankful that we have had a part in giving of our substance during the past year, but the gifts of the past will not suffice for the present and the future, and so we plan to make a better record for this year than for the year just past. This work is certainly making rapid progress and it is going to move forward whether we have a part in it or not. God gives the glorious privilege of helping in this great cause, but he does not compel us to give of our means or our time. He leaves us free to choose for ourselves. Let us not slight the golden opportunities that come to us from week to week, and from day to day, but let us do with all our might, whatsoever our hands find to do.

ORDER a supply of the new sixteen-page tract on the Eastern Question and read up. Distribute it among your neighbors. It is something they will read with interest. No publication can give the message for to-day and remain silent upon this important question. Order of your tract society. Ask for the new tract.

## Tennessee River Conference

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### News Items

Brother Chenault writes: "My courage in the Lord is good and I hope to be actively engaged in his service again before a great while."

Bro. J. B. Myers who is connected with the Alden School, Goodlettsville, Tenn., was an office visitor last week.

Have you ordered a copy of the Morning Watch Calendar? A sister writes: "You will find enclosed in this letter five cents, for which send me a Morning Watch Calendar. I feel as though I have been lost all this year without one. Although I read some every day it does not seem natural without the Watch Calendar."

The treasurer of the North Nashville church reports that every member of their church is paying tithe. If all the churches could say this, the message would go with greater rapidity, and the work would soon be finished.

Elder Maxwell reports excellent meetings at all the churches he has visited so far.

Brother Lowry reports a new Sabbath-keeper at Jackson.

### Hazel Academy Items

MISS EDITH ROOKER and Erl Rooker, of Johnsonville, Tenn., are the most recent arrivals at the school.

This fills every available room for the first time in the history of the school. Including teachers there are thirty-seven in both homes.

The storeroom, built this fall is certainly a great convenience; formerly a room in one of the buildings was used for this purpose.

We were glad for a visit from our conference president, Elder Maxwell, recently.

His chapel talk on "The Principles of Education in the Bible" was full of interest.

Wednesday-evening he spoke at the church on the "Eastern Question," to an attentive audience.

A class in the principles of agriculture will begin as soon as the books arrive. A good interest is being manifested in this branch of study.

Some new chairs have arrived for the parlor. These were greatly needed, and the gifts of friends which made their purchase possible is appreciated.

### Ten New Sabbath-keepers

IN looking over our list we find ten new Sabbath-keepers, most of whom seem quite firm in the truth, and are looking forward to baptism. Others are about convinced and are in the valley of decision—a very unpleasant place to live. We are much in prayer that God will pour out the Holy Spirit upon these dear hearts, for without this it will be impossible for them to break with Satan.

We are planning to open another Sunday service at Fourteenth Avenue North, in a Presbyterian church which is not

being used, hoping thereby to come in touch with more people.

We find no little reasoning among the people about the significance of these truths and may the good work continue.

C. A. HANSEN and WORKERS.

### What, When, Where?

WHAT?—The colporteurs' institute.

When?—February 21 to March 2.

Where?—In Nashville Tennessee in the chapel of the Southern Publishing Association.

Let every one take hold and make this a success. — Pray and plan for it. — Talk it. Advertise it. Tell your brother, your sister about it. Attend yourself, and encourage others to attend.

Let me know what book you want to study.

C. F. DART.

### Sister Hart's Experience With the "Watchman"

ONE of Sister Hart's customers (a Methodist), who is a regular reader of the *Watchman*, told her that the Adventist literature was the best she had ever read.

At one house she found a man sick in bed. When he saw the *Watchman*, his face lighted up, and he said, "I used to get the *Watchman* regularly from a man, but since I have been sick I have lost track of him. I would like to have the magazine but am not able to buy it." Sister Hart then gave him a copy which he appreciated very much.

While out with the December number, she tried to sell a certain public school-teacher a copy, but he did not care for it. She had tried him several times before with previous numbers, with the same result. When she had sold all but the last one, she met him again, and offered him this copy at half price as it was soiled. Indifferently he took it; but the next week, seeing Miss Hart, he came to her bringing another man with him, and said, "I found in that magazine what I have been looking for for twenty years. I have brought this friend to get a copy just like the one you sold me." He was certainly pleased with the *Watchman* and wanted her to bring him the January number.

Meeting a young man to whom she had previously sold a *Watchman*, he asked if she was a Seventh-day Adventist. When told that she was, he said, "I bought a copy from you before, and I like it very much. I notice that some people keep Saturday while others keep Sunday. I want to know which day is right. Sister Hart asked him what he was taught in school. "That Sunday is the first day of the week," said he. "Then that makes Saturday the seventh day does it not?" she asked, "and the Bible says the seventh day is the Sabbath." "That is so," said he, "I had never thought of it before. And yet it is taught all over the world that Sunday is the first day of the week and people keep that as the Sabbath. Is it not strange? I will look this matter up." While they were talking two others came up and all three bought a copy of the *Watchman*.

C. F. DART.

### Obituary

HARRISON.—Elizabeth VanVoorhis Harrison died at Nashville, January 13th, from autointoxication. Her earlier years were spent at Mansfield, Ohio. When grown she was baptized into the faith of the Seventh-day Adventists, and remained faithful until death. About one year ago she was married to Bro. Harlan Harrison, who is an employee of the Southern Publishing Association. While she had not been in Nashville many months, yet all had learned to love and respect her. We feel deeply the loss of this young, active life and extend our sympathy to the husband, parents, sister, and brothers.

Short services were conducted by the writer at Nashville, from which place she was sent to Graysville, Tenn., for burial.

C. A. HANSEN.

### Colporteurs' Report for the Southern Union Conference

Week Ending Jan. 11, 1913

| LOUISIANA CONFERENCE       |      |      |       |            |         |          |           |
|----------------------------|------|------|-------|------------|---------|----------|-----------|
| NAME                       | Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Value      | Helps   | Total    | Delivered |
| C P Bodwell ..GC&PG        | 46   | 13   |       | \$44 00    | \$      | \$44 00  | \$        |
| John Harzman.PP&F          | 31   | 30   |       | 46 50      | 1 00    | 47 50    |           |
| I J Reed.....BF            | 27   | 15   |       | 21 50      | 13 25   | 34 75    | 4 50      |
| A Thresher.....BF          | 14   | 12   |       | 13 50      | 9 00    | 22 50    | 7 50      |
| MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE     |      |      |       |            |         |          |           |
| H C Balsbaugh..GC          | 39   | 8    |       | 25 00      | 2 40    | 27 40    | 12 40     |
| J S Fry.....D&R            | 39   | 9    |       | 18 00      | 5 00    | 23 00    | 11 00     |
| A L Saxon.....BR           | 19   | 3    |       | 6 25       | 1 25    | 7 50     | 15 00     |
| C R Canada.....BF          | 7    | 8    |       | 8 00       | 1 50    | 9 50     | 6 50      |
| Mrs Ethel Warren..BF       | 14   | 13   |       | 13 50      |         | 13 50    | 5 50      |
| TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE |      |      |       |            |         |          |           |
| R H Hazelton....GC         | 22   | 5    |       | 10 00      | 3 60    | 13 60    |           |
| Mamie Moore ..D&R          | 10   |      |       |            | 75      | 75       | 11 50     |
| U Bracy ..BF               | 24   |      |       |            | 35      | 35       | 6 00      |
| D H Frazee....MTRM         | 20   | 4    |       | 3 00       | 1 00    | 4 00     | 1 50      |
| SUMMARY                    |      |      |       |            |         |          |           |
| Alabama Conf .....         |      |      |       | No Report. |         |          |           |
| Kentucky Conf .....        |      |      |       | No Report. |         |          |           |
| Louisiana Conf ...         | 118  | 70   |       | 125 50     | 23 25   | 148 75   | 5 25      |
| Mississippi Conf ..        | 118  | 41   |       | 70 75      | 10 15   | 80 90    | 50 40     |
| Tenn River Conf .          | 76   | 9    |       | 13 00      | 5 70    | 18 70    | 19 00     |
| Totals .....               | 312  | 120  |       | \$219 25   | \$39 10 | \$248 35 | \$74 60   |

### Magazine Agents' Report

Week Ending Jan. 11, 1913

| Agent                         | No. | Value    |
|-------------------------------|-----|----------|
| MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE        |     |          |
| Mrs. Ethel Warren .....       | 24  | \$ 2 40  |
| TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE    |     |          |
| Mrs. E L Maxwell .....        | 122 | 12 20    |
| Miss Bessie Swartzbaugh ..... | 61  | 6 10     |
| Totals .....                  | 207 | \$ 20 70 |

### A Monthly Comparison of the Colporteurs' Work for the Past Two Years

| Year | Jan.     | Feb.      | March     | April     | May        | June       | July       | August     | Sept.     | Oct.       | Nov.       | Dec.      | Totals    |
|------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1912 | \$ 71 50 | \$ 325 95 | \$ 521 50 | \$ 538 20 | \$ 1235 40 | \$ 1120 00 | \$ 1007 55 | \$ 1219 00 | \$ 413 05 | \$ 1161 40 | \$ 1035 55 | \$ 902 30 | \$9551 40 |
| 1911 | 113 85   | 347 85    | 493 40    | 606 50    | 629 00     | 535 10     | 460 70     | 465 65     | 717 55    | 699 50     | 643 25     | 415 45    | \$127 80  |
| Gain |          |           | \$ 28 10  |           | \$ 606 40  | 584 90     | \$ 546 85  | \$ 753 35  |           | \$ 461 90  | \$ 392 30  | \$ 486 85 | \$3423 60 |
| Loss | \$ 42 35 | \$ 21 90  |           | \$ 68 30  |            |            |            |            | \$ 304 50 |            |            |           |           |

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### A New Sunday Bill for the District of Columbia

It is stated from Washington that Dr. W. G. Grannis, the president of the Lord's Day Alliance, has prepared a bill, requiring the observance of Sunday in the District of Columbia, which, with the consent of Senator Johnston, is to be substituted for the Johnston Sunday Bill. This measure is said to be more drastic in its provisions, and does not contain any exemption clause in favor of those who observe another day than Sunday as the Sabbath.

A public meeting was held Sunday evening, January 12, in one of the leading churches of Washington, at which this question was considered.

This latest development indicates that a vigorous effort will be made to secure the passage of a drastic Sunday law for the District of Columbia before the present session of Congress expires, and emphasizes the need of great activity on the part of the friends of liberty everywhere. Let all our people be up and doing now while there is still opportunity to do effective work.

### From Brother Martin

*Bon Aqua, Jan. 16, 1913.*

DEAR BROTHER BOLLMAN:—

I came home last night about 11 P. M., and this morning I read your welcome letter. I will say that there never was a moment since I first accepted the third angel's message when I had more faith in it than now, and the opportunity that has come to me this winter to study, I have improved by going over as carefully as I could all of the "Testimonies," "Great Controversy," "Acts of the Apostles," "Ministry of Healing," "Desire of Ages," besides a daily study of the Book of all books—the Bible. Never was my faith stronger or my courage better.

For three weeks now I have been holding meetings down on Nails Creek about six miles from home. There has been an average attendance of about seventy-five. I am now giving the testing truths of the message. Last night I spoke on the change of the Sabbath. It was a most solemn meeting. Quite a number are convinced and I hope to see a number take their stand for the truth. I never felt such need of divine help and power to pierce through the darkness of unbelief among the people; nor have I ever been so conscious that my great need has been supplied from the great Source of strength. Three Sabbaths ago we had a most precious season here at our church service. The presence of the Holy Spirit was with us in a marked manner. The occasion was a baptismal service. A sister was baptized and added to the church. The

meetings I am now holding are breaking up my opportunity for study, as I don't come home nights. I spend the days visiting and holding Bible readings with the people. And in it all God graciously fulfills his word, "All who consecrate soul, body, and spirit to God, will be constantly receiving a new endowment of physical and mental power." "Christ gives them the breath of his own Spirit, the life of his own life. The Holy Spirit puts forth its highest energies to work in heart and mind." My soul doth magnify the Lord, my spirit doth rejoice in God my Saviour. He satisfieth the hungry soul but the rich he sendeth away empty.

We hear from Sister Garrett regularly. She is enjoying the best of health, and talks of coming to pay us a visit some time during the spring or summer. I get the WORKER.

*Bon Aqua, Tenn. R. 3.*

Your brother in Christ,

C. N. MARTIN.

"ST. VALENTINE'S DAY" will soon be here, and a good many people who have what the world calls a "yellow streak," will take advantage of the despicable custom of sending comic valentines to make cowardly thrusts at people whom, for some more or less good reason, they dislike. The practise is a cowardly one, and no one who is guilty of it can have any proper self-respect. It requires exactly the same sort of valor, though not so much of it, to make a mean thrust by means of a comic valentine that it does to stab one in the back or to shoot him down from ambush. A Christian will not do such a thing. He who does and professes to be a Christian is probably self-deceived.

### Annual Meeting of the Southern Publishing Association

NOTICE is hereby given that the fifth annual meeting of the constituency of the Southern Publishing Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on Friday, Jan. 31, 1913, at 10 A. M., at the publishing house chapel, 2123, 24th Avenue North, Nashville, Tenn., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

S. E. WIGHT, *President.*

L. A. SMITH, *Secretary.*

NOTE.—As previously stated in this paper, the foregoing notice was so timed as to bring the legal meeting after the Keene meeting, which was originally appointed for January 21. Later it became necessary to change the date of that meeting to February 3. The legal notice could not however be changed. Hence the seeming conflict. It is now understood between those interested, that the legal meeting will be adjourned without transacting any business until some convenient date subsequent to the Keene meeting. The real business of the Publishing Association will be transacted at Keene.

EDITOR WORKER.

### Legal Notice

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourth Annual Meeting of the constituency of the Hillcrest School Farm, incorporated, will be held at the North Nashville church school building, 23rd Ave., North and Seifried Street, Nashville, Tenn., at 5 P. M., Tuesday, January 28, 1913.

The purpose of this meeting is the election of trustees and a Board of Counselors, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

A. J. HAYSMER, *Chairman,*

A. J. HARRIS, *Secretary.*