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

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I Timothy 1:15

Faithful are God's sayings all;
Faithful this most dear of all:
Jesus Christ was sent to save
From destruction and the grave.
Though the chief of sinners I,
God will hear me when I cry.
'Tis his glory men to save,
Whether kings, or serfs, or slaves.
He will purify the heart;
He extract the poisoned dart.
'Tis his glory men to save;
'Twas for this his Son he gavo.
Jesus died upon the tree
That this gift might come to me.
Then accept it glad I do,
For I know he's ever true—
True and faithful every day,
He the Life, the Truth, the Way.

C. P. B.

Our Publishing House

Home Office News

SALES report for week ending March 15, 1913: Total number of bound volumes, 1,615; *Watchman*, 2,264.

We quote the following extracts from an article written by Bro. R. L. Pierce, manager of the Fort Worth Branch, for the *Southwestern Union Record*:—

"Judging from the splendid start that has been made, it now seems almost certain that 1913 will witness another advance in the book work in the Southwestern Union Conference.

"In nearly all the local conferences in this union a goodly number of our workers are getting an earlier start this year than usual, and as a result some exceptionally good reports are already being received, and March business is starting off well.

"The entire field is lining up for a hard year's work. It will require no small effort to pass last year's sales of nearly \$92,000; but with the Lord's help this can be done. New Mexico is planning on doubling her work of 1912, and all the other conferences are also expecting to make good gains. Each conference has a loyal and devoted corps of colporteurs, and these forces will soon be materially strengthened by a goodly number of student-canvassers. Hence, we see no reason why 1913 should not prove to be the banner year thus far in the history of the book work in the Southwestern Union.

"Only a few days ago, the statement was made through the

spirit of prophecy, that 'The time has come when a *large work* should be done by our canvassers.' Years ago we were told that the canvassing work was to be 'revived.' We have seen, and are seeing, this prophecy fulfilled in a most remarkable manner, and now the word comes that the time has arrived when a *'large work should be done by our canvassers.'* May we not therefore expect that greater victories and results will be experienced this year than at any time in the past? Those who enter this work with only right motives, are not dependent for their success upon local conditions. Success in this work comes from One in whom is all power, and in whose strength this 'large work' is to be accomplished.

"From West Texas comes the report that books are selling in that conference this year 'easier' than at any time in the past. This seems to be true throughout the union. Truly the harvest is ripe and *waiting*, and may the Lord impress many more to enter the field in the near future who are now engaged in worldly pursuits. Notice these words which were recently addressed to those who enlist in our colporteur work:—

"God will work with great power if you will walk in all humility of mind before him. It is not faith to talk of impossibilities. Nothing is impossible with God.' 'I have been awakened night after night, and scenes have been presented before me of what God would be pleased to do for us. He has all power. As we go forward in faith, following his leadings, we shall be greatly blessed and strengthened.'

"In the past some remarkable results have been obtained, but we believe the time has now come when God has even richer experiences and greater victories in store for those who consecrate their all to this 'large work,' and that more power and greater success will attend the efforts of those who have a part in it during 1913 than has ever been experienced in previous years."

Here is a letter from West Texas, the "dry country." It fairly scintillates with hope and courage:—

"I have your letter of the 1st at hand, and was glad to get the news from the office again. As you are praising the Lord there for what has been done we are doing the same here. We are surely grateful to our heavenly Father for what has been done in this dry West. We have made a good gain here, but not as large as we would like to make. We can but praise the Lord for what has been done for we realize that it is "not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." We are expecting to make 1913 our banner year. We have good prospects for that now. We had one Institute and nine took the drill, four of whom are going right out into the field. We will have another Institute in April at Hamby, and expect to get a good number from there.

Am glad to get the good word from the Publishing House

to pass on to the workers in the field. We do not forget you and the workers at the office in our prayers. We are glad that there can be this unity in the work and we are all working to the same end.

E. H. WILCOX, *Field Missionary Agent*
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The Twenty-cent Fund

"SAY not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35.

The above words belong to us who are living in this time. We have a world-wide message, and the responsibility of proclaiming it rests upon every individual who has learned the truth. Our work has been steadily increasing from the time the first angel's message was delivered to the people. Loyal believers in the great truth of Revelation 14 have felt the call of God to send workers to every part of this world. When men and women are willing to dedicate their lives to God and leave home and friends to carry this message in heathen lands, we who remain at home should understand that it is our duty to give of our means to support these workers.

Some times we are led to believe that the work in our own field needs our means. I realize that we do have a great work before us here, but I feel sure when we are liberal and have the world-wide work upon our hearts, our home work will progress more rapidly. Last year we believe that God blessed us in a special way, and I feel sure that the reason for the success in our conference was due to the liberal hearts of our people in raising the fifteen-cents-a-week fund. Now brethren we are not sorry for what we did last year. When we think of India and China with their hundreds of millions, and the few workers to warn them, our own field seems small. Now, brethren, this great message has been advancing every year, and for 1913 it has been decided by the General Conference Committee that we raise twenty cents per week for each member of the conference. Now I am sure we can do this, as all the funds we pay in, will apply on the twenty-cents-a-week fund. Two months of the present year are gone, and we are some behind on this fund, so I hope we will take this matter up in earnest, and make the next few months pay up what we lacked on the first two months.

Now I feel sure that our good people will take hold of this and determine that old Kentucky will raise her share of this fund, so that God's work will not be retarded in any way. May God help each of us to do our part. B. W. BROWN.

You can save money by ordering your cooking oil from the Nashville Sanitarium-Food Factory, Madison, Tenn. Their prices are right: you can get five 1-gallon cans in one shipment for \$4; or you can get a five-gallon can of the same grade of oil, equal to any made anywhere, for only \$3.75.

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Treasurer's Report for February, 1913

| TITHES | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Mobile | \$ 72 95 |
| Birmingham | 63 03 |
| Cool Springs | 18 30 |
| Montgomery | 15 00 |
| Sheffield | 10 80 |
| Borden Springs | 3 00 |
| Total | \$ 183 08 |

| OFFERINGS | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Sabbath-School Donations | \$ 28 98 |
| Missions | 5 50 |
| Religious Liberty | 4 30 |
| Nyassaland | 3 30 |
| Harvest Ingathering | 2 50 |
| Total | \$ 44 58 |

THOS. E. PAVEY, *Treas.*

News Notes

THE Borden Springs Institute was a decided success. Six new workers are expected to enter the work real soon as a result of this meeting. One of the new workers, Luther Miller, has sent in his first report; he reports nineteen hours and \$41.50 worth of orders. This is a good showing for a young man who is just beginning, and it demonstrates that God will be with the canvasser who goes out with a desire to spread this message.

We were pleased to have with us, Sabbath, March 8, Elders Wight, Rees, and Parmele, of the Union Conference Committee. These brethren were called to Birmingham for counsel in regard to a matter pertaining to the work in this city; we hope to be able to report a more aggressive work here in the future. Elder Parmele gave us a very interesting and instructive discourse from Matt. 24:14, Sabbath morning, which all seemed to enjoy very much; at the close four came forward and united with the church, three by baptism.

During the Institute at Borden Springs, three united with that church, all by baptism. After returning from Borden Springs, Elder Miller made a short trip to the Wayside church and while visiting the school there, two united with the church, thus making nine additions to the different churches in one week. Truly we have much to praise the Lord for.

Brother Keate passed through Birmingham Monday, March 3, on his way to his field of labor in the southern part of the State. We were very glad to see Brother Keate again and to know that he is again entering upon active work. May the Lord be with him and bless his efforts to the saving of many souls.

Brother Wilson is at home again for a few days, preparing

for the colored workers' Institute that is to be held March 24 to 31. For various reasons it is thought best to change this Institute from Sylacauga to Birmingham. We hope this change will not cause any one any inconvenience, and that we may have as profitable an Institute as the one just held at Borden Springs. Let us remember this meeting in our prayers, that God will bless all those who attend.

Elder Bellinger writes that the Sheffield church building has just been repaired, and that they now have one of the nicest in the city. Sheffield not only has a nice church building, but the church-membership is growing. We are always glad to hear of new ones coming into the truth.

Don't forget the collection for Loma Linda Medical School, Sabbath, March 15. Our quota of the amount to be raised we hope will all be paid in on this one day, so we will not have to make any more calls for this fund. The amount is quite small, and if all will do their best we are sure the whole amount will be raised.

It is now time to order your *Sabbath-School Quarterlies* for the second quarter. There was considerable delay last quarter in getting the *quarterlies* to you, but we hope there will be no delay this time. Send in your orders early and thus help us. The Memory Verse Cards are a great help in getting the children to learn the memory verses. These cards can be furnished at five cents per set. If you have not been using them in your Sabbath-school, send in an order, and I am sure you will be well repaid for the money expended. Send all orders to the tract society office.

Has your subscription to the WORKER expired? It costs the conference considerable to send out this paper to the different members, and if you feel able to pay the subscription price of fifty cents a year, it will be gladly received. We hope that all those who have not sent in their subscription will do so as soon as possible.

appointed because they waited until the very first of the quarter, and our supply was then exhausted.

The publishers will not permit us to accept orders for the *Little Friend* for less than one year, in single copies. In quantities of five or more it is possible to subscribe for three or six months.

Each of our colporteurs received this week a copy of the *Southwestern News Letter*. These were sent through the kindness of Brother Pierce. The letter contains an especially interesting interview with Sister White.

"The Man That Rum Made" is a fast selling book. We have had trouble keeping a supply in the tract society office, but we believe we are now prepared to fill all orders promptly. Have you a copy? The price is seventy-five cents post-paid; in quantities the regular agent's rate is allowed.

Bro. H. D. Leavelle made a hurried trip, March 13, to Bogalusa to attend to the finishing up of the work of Brother Jorgenson in that section of the State.

Only Work by Faith

Two months ago I started in my field of labor by looking the situation over in a little sawmill town, which was about to close work. Already, two-thirds of the houses were empty, and it looked discouraging from a human standpoint. I felt that I would take but few orders, but to my surprise, the Lord blessed me with twenty "Past, Present, and Future" orders, and a Bible order, and I also sold some helps, amounting altogether to \$39.50 for one day's work. But there are ups and downs, so to speak, in the canvassing work. Last week I worked faithfully all week and only sold \$20.50 worth for the entire week.

Some days are not so successful as others. But is this not in the providence of the Lord to develop our faith?

J. HARZMAN.

Monthly Missionary Report

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| Number of Missionary Visits Made | 2 |
| Hours Spent in Christian Help Work | 25 |
| Number of Sick Persons Assisted | 2 |
| Number of Treatments Given | 1 |
| Number of Meals Provided | 35 |
| Articles of Clothing Given Away | 2 |
| Number of Tracts Loaned or Given Away | 324 |
| Number of Papers Loaned, Mailed, or Given Away .. | 109 |
| Number of Books Loaned or Given Away | 5 |
| Retail Value of all Literature | \$ 7 00 |
| Number of Missionary Letters Written | 1 |
| Bible Readings or Cottage Meetings Held | 6 |
| Number Attending the Bible Readings | 4 |
| Number of Children Brought to the Sabbath-School .. | 2 |
| Amount Collected for Missions | \$ 1 26 |

Ray E. Hendricks,
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News Items

It will be of interest to our people in general to learn that the Bible Institute is in full progress. Those in attendance are deeply interested in the studies that are given day by day, and are gaining a good experience in field work as they go from door to door inviting the people to attend the meetings which are in progress.

Those in attendance are Mrs. C. A. Lantz, Susie Boden, Bertha Reed, Ruth Eaton, Edna StClair, Emi Lou Stuart, Bro. and Sister Burlie Lowry, Ray Hendricks, Bro. H. D. Leavelle and Sister Kenyon, besides several residing here in New Orleans.

The *Sabbath-School Quarterlies* for the second quarter of 1913 are now ready to be mailed from the tract society office. Send in your order at once. Last quarter several were dis-

"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.
 W. W. EASTMAN.

"NO LIFE is so short that it has no time for good and kind deeds."

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Words of Cheer From the Field

It does our hearts good to note the spirit with which the workers take up their work since the Institute.

Brother McColerey, of Blands, writes: "My report speaks for itself. I delivered all, and four besides—that is more than a hundred per cent, isn't it? I hear they don't work the roads much in our territory, and it is quite hilly; but we are of good courage." Bro. J. D. Smith is to work with Brother McColerey. Let us remember him in our prayers as he takes up the work in this needy field.

Brother Balsbaugh writes: "I enclose weekly report. Have had a larger delivery than usual, for which I am the more thankful to God."

Brother Canada Writes: "Since I last wrote you, I have gotten a nice place for my wife and little ones. I feel that the Lord has specially blessed me. I did not get to work but a few hours last week; but I had some good experiences."

Brother Fry writes: "I guess every one knows me now. Some are interested, and asked me to preach; but I told them I was a bookseller and not a preacher. May the Lord help us to hasten on till the work is finished and we can go home."

Sister Warren writes: "I am glad to be able to send you in a report, although it is small. The Lord has blessed me and given me strength to do the work I have done. I have not finished my delivery yet, but am very much encouraged over the success I have had. So far, I have not lost an order."

Let us remember these dear workers as they go from house to house to give this message. Our God is the One that hears and answers prayers.

VIRGIL SMITH.

Louisville

I WANT to write a few words about the good institute that we had at Hatley, and also to relate a few of my experiences since the institute.

We certainly did have a season of spiritual blessings. The institute was not only a help to the new canvassers, but it was a great source of strength to the old ones. I think it is good for us to get together at least once a year. The Lord was very near to us.

I have not worked much since I left the institute as I had to get a place for my wife and children.

I suppose other people, like myself, like to read reports from the canvassers so will relate a few of my experiences.

I went to a man a few days ago who was in the field ploughing, and told him that I would like to sell him "Bible Footlights." I knew that he had been reading one that he had borrowed from a neighbor. He told me that he would like very much to have one. He hitched his mule and we went to the house. We had a reading on the Sabbath, as he was interested in that subject, and had been studying it. We had prayer together and he said that he wanted to do God's will. I sold him two books for cash.

At the dinner table the man told me he had had a strange

dream the night before, and this is the dream as nearly as I remember. He dreamed that he was away from the house in the dark, but when he got home there came a light in the house which gave light to himself and wife. (His children were not at home the day I was there). When I found him he was away from the house. We went to the house, where with his wife we read a few texts on the Sabbath. He said that he believed that I had brought the light to him and believed that my coming was a fulfilment of his dream. Pray for this man and family that this light may continue to burn with them, and that it may grow brighter as the day approaches.

I sold a man "Bible Footlights," "Best Stories," and a Bible, some time ago. I stayed that night with a man about a mile from him. He told me that he hoped this man would read the books and change. He had almost ruined himself drinking.

I came back by his house the next morning, and he told me that he liked his book fine.

This man's wife knows a little of this truth already, and seems to be very much interested. She does not belong to any church, but says that she believes in the Adventist faith. Pray for the Lord's work in this part of the country.

C. R. CANADA.

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Good Words

ALL who attended the Colporteurs' Institute in North Nashville, which closed March 9, enjoyed the ten days' meeting very much, and felt well paid for attending, as the following testimonies show:—

"This is the first time I ever attended a Colporteurs' Institute, but the Lord being my helper it shall not be the last. It has been a great help to me. Mrs. Dan Brown."

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord." This was the thought that was emphasized in our Institute, and I truly feel that this Spirit has been near to bless.

"L. F. Littell."

"I have enjoyed the Institute, and I praise the Lord for the good instruction. I thank the Lord for what he has done for me. Archie Dart."

"I certainly have enjoyed the good instruction received at our Institute in Nashville, and I hope soon to be able to put in all my time in the field demonstrating the things learned here. It certainly has been a feast of good instruction for all of us. G. C. Hinshaw."

"Praise the Lord for the good meetings, and the instruction given the colporteurs. I offer my thanks to the Tennessee River Conference and the publishing house for the favors and accommodations offered us while attending the meetings. J. S. Moore."

"I have had a great experience this past week. I have been blessed by God wonderfully. I feel much more interested in

doing all I can in helping to send the truth to the world. Pray for me that I may do good service. J. N. Womack."

"The Institute makes this work seem so much more a reality, and the earnestness of our instructors has been truly inspiring. I trust that each of us will go to our fields with hearts full of love for sinners, and in the strength of the Master do our utmost to win souls for him. Mrs. A. W. Cornwell."

"I wish to say I certainly have been blessed, and have learned many truths during the Colporteurs' Institute, which can be used as a great help, if truly put into effect. The Institute is something we should be proud of, and all should be deeply interested in. Every colporteur should attend them. "Urie L. Beardon."

"I have much to praise the Lord for as a result of the Institute. Our association together as co-laborers has been such a source of pleasure that I hardly know how to express my appreciation. I feel more than ever obligated to render the very best service possible. C. H. Chenault."

"I have received much of the blessings of God. It has been such a help to me, and I hope I may long remember the Colporteurs' Institute at Nashville. The Holy Spirit has been here in power. If we work to help others, we must have the Spirit to do the work. I realize that without the Spirit's help there will not be the good done that ought to be. My desire is that I may ever be found faithful. A. W. Cornwell."

I join the others in praising the Lord for the feast of good things we have received during this Institute. My heart is filled with hope and courage as we renew the work for this year. Our stakes are set to reach the \$12,000 mark in sales this year. And I have confidence in our colporteurs that they will do their best to come up to this mark.

A mistake was made in my copy last week saying that our stakes were set for \$10,000 worth of literature. It should have been \$12,000. C. F. DART.

Nashville Interest

OUR work is growing from day to day. There are now seventeen adults who have begun keeping the Sabbath, and there are many more that we hope will begin soon. We have had to neglect our work here because of sickness among our workers. This seems sad, doesn't it? A large number of people are waiting for Bible readings, but we have no one to send. Some grow more and more hungry while waiting, while others are beginning to lose the once strong desire for the Word. Pray that the Lord will send forth laborers into the harvest.

Sister Roberson, who has typhoid, is some better, yet the fever is not broken. It will be months before she can take her place in the front of the ranks.

We began our Sunday evening lectures on March 16. These will continue a few weeks until the weather is warm enough for a tent. Pray for us as we sum up the truth in the closing meetings for the year.

C. A. HANSEN and WORKERS.

News Items

BRO. G. C. HINSHAW went direct from the institute to Hickman County (Tenn.), his field of labor, and reports excellent success.

The Conference Committee met at Hazel, March 12 and 13, report of which will appear later.

Sister M. F. Knox has just returned from Murray, Ky.,

where she has been under the treatment of Dr. Will Mason for two weeks.

Brother Jos. Sam'l Moore visited Springville and Hazel on his way to his new field of labor, Mc Cracken County, Ky.

There will be a Colporteurs' Institute at the Hazel School for the students commencing March 23.

Elder Maxwell spent Sabbath, March 15, in Paducah, Ky., visiting the company there.

Bro. U. Bracy who has been canvassing in Fayette County has returned to the Hillcrest School Farm. We are sorry to lose Brother Bracy from the canvassing field. He feels that he is called to other work. He expects to start a school down in Alabama. We trust the Lord will bless him in his work.

Enjoying the Work

My husband and myself are enjoying the work very much. We spent five months in the field at Loma Linda, placing books and periodicals in the homes of the people, and had many interesting visits, readings, etc.

One lady was very desirous of getting "Bible Readings." I delivered it to her and she said, "We certainly were disappointed last Sunday." I had a circle of twelve for the study of the Bible, but my foot had to be lanced and I could not be there. The dear Lord is opening many doors before us.

Elder Christiansen preached an excellent sermon Sabbath. He showed us that we are many of us self-deceived. "We are poor and blind and naked," and the sad part is we do not know it.

Oh! that the time may soon come when God's people will truly humble themselves. I shall be glad when we get right with God, and can bear the straight testimony. Some will bear it, and it is your privilege and mine to be of that number. Oh! that we may not be sifted out, but that we may prove to be wheat. MRS. MAY KEELE.

To the Workers in Tennessee

MANY times my mind turns to Tennessee. There is an attraction for me there. I spent thirteen years in the South. How can I forget the people there? I am always glad to get the WORKER.

Oh, brethren, it is a grand privilege which we all have of showing to those we meet that there is power in God's Word to direct our lives in his way. This is my joy wherever I am.

The past winter has been the most pleasant of my life, climatically speaking. I have also enjoyed my work very much.

I am convinced more and more every day that our greatest need to convince the world of this truth, is to live it. We can not do that unless we love our brethren. How much we love them we reveal by our acts. WM. J. KEELE.

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Effectual Prayer

How often we hear this scripture quoted: "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." But how rarely the first part of the same verse is quoted: "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed." James 5:16.

The only people who can have the satisfaction of praying effectual fervent prayers are those who are confessing their faults one to another, and then praying for one another—that is, for those to whom they have had to confess their faults.

If you have had no satisfactory answer to your prayers, determine by God's help you will live the first part of that verse, and you may be *assured* that God will fulfill the second part.—*The Life Boat*.

Miscellaneous

The Human Touch

AMID the throng that followed Christ,
 One day in ancient Galilee,
 A woman longed to reach his side,
 And knew that she would strengthened be;
 She came—she touched his garment's hem;
 He turned and words of comfort said,
 And in the place of trembling fear
 She left with hope and joy instead.

If *you're* abiding in the Lord
 And in his presence daily live,
 Would it be strange if some should yearn
 For just the help which *you* could give?
 Would it be strange if some should feel
 The inspiration of your life
 And long to nearer come and gain
 More strength with which to meet earth's strife?

There's bound to be a drawing power
 If Christ in you is lifted up,—
 Which means, in turn, a work to do;
 But surely you accept the cup?
 It takes some time to turn aside,
 Some sin-sick, weary soul to win,
 And patience if you'd plant in lives
 Around you flowers, where thorns have been.

And not the wanderers alone,
 But some who know and love him too
 Might come to know him better still
 Because of contact close with you.
 And yet you go your busy way
 And hold yourself aloof—apart;
 What gain is it to feed his sheep
 While letting starve *one* hungry heart?

What though they know the Source of strength
 And on your help need not depend:
 Might it not be they see in you
 A likeness to your mutual Friend
 And for your converse long at times,
 To give life's pathway added cheer?
 What harm can do a friendly touch
 To those with whom you travel here?

The way at best is none too smooth,—
 The Master even knew its pain
 And for a human comrade yearned;
 Must some one near you long in vain?
 And when of old one at his feet
 Her heart's rich treasure sought to pour,
 She met with no repulse; not once
 Did he a loving soul ignore.

Although in some your life has drawn
 You like not many faulty ways,

It can not hurt you to be kind,—
 And yet to them it more than pays;
 And then the way is all so short,—
 'Twill be for such a little while!
 Can you not bear with them till then
 And not begrudge a cheery smile?

To soothe a heart that's aching sore
 It does not take so very much:
 A look of sympathy, a word,
 A moment's time or just a touch.
 'Twould make the heart grow light again,
 And it, in turn, would pass on still
 The impulse gained, till many lives
 With cheer your simple act would fill.

And if the Saviour dwells in you,—
 If him to pattern is your joy,
 Can any touch, from any soul,
 Have power to fret you or annoy?
 Take time, amid life's throng and press,
 To stop and answer to the touch!
 Those doing *here* the *little* things
 Will be the rulers there o'er much.

—*Pearl Waggoner*.

Growth of the Seventh-day Adventists

THE Seventh-day Adventist denomination was organized a little more than sixty years ago, having at that time practically no facilities or institutions, and but few ministers and members. In this short time it has grown until to-day its property is valued at \$10,635,266.71. The observers of the seventh day of the week now number 108,975.

LARGE CONTRIBUTIONS

While the growth of the organized body is phenomenal, the per capita growth of the contributions is even more so. The last report available shows an average of \$21.27 per year for every church-member, including children. The Northern Baptist Convention stood highest among the Protestant bodies in 1906, according to the United States census returns, with a per capita contribution of \$11.93 per year.

The large contributions of the Seventh-day Adventists are greatly due to the fact that they adopted the tithing system when the church was first organized; every member contributing a tenth of his income to the support of the ministry. This plan is also advocated by the Baptists, although not all of them have yet adopted it.

Another reason for the heavy contributions of the Adventists in the last few years is the call of the foreign mission board for the adoption of the ten-cents-a-week plan of contributions to missions. Local and state conferences voluntarily increased this last year to fifteen cents a week per member, and in nearly all instances this amount was raised.

In 1863, the denomination had a per capita tithe of \$2.29 a year. In 1893 this jumped to \$9.37 a year per member. In 1909 it was \$12.07, and in 1910, \$12.81.

INSTITUTIONS

Seventh-day Adventist Institutions, such as sanitariums, colleges, primary schools, and publishing houses, occupy a large place in the denomination. Their value two years ago was \$6,659,940.12, while the value of the church buildings, conference offices, and tract societies was \$3,973,326.50.

Now there are 5,504 laborers employed in the 74 sanitariums, 86 colleges, 594 primary schools, and 28 publishing houses of the denomination, in the ministry, and in mission work.

Every year more than \$1,500,000 worth of publications are sold.

The first denominational school was opened in Battle Creek, Michigan, June 3, 1872. The school developed into Battle Creek College, which was incorporated March 11, 1874. The first church school was opened in Oakland, California, in 1880. Such schools were not generally established by the denomination, however, until fifteen years later.

The first sanitarium was opened September 5, 1866. The assets of the seventy-four sanitariums now being operated, amount to more than \$3,368,041. Eight are in the West, being at St. Helena, California; Portland, Oregon; College View, Nebraska; College Place, Washington; Boise, Idaho; Glendale, California; Boulder Colorado; and Loma Linda, California. Besides these institutions, there are seven others on the coast operated by members of the denomination, but not under conference supervision. Two of these, El Reposo Sanitarium, at Berkeley, and Garden City Sanitarium, at San Jose, have assets of \$130,000.

PERIODICAL LITERATURE

The first periodical literature of the denomination appeared in Middletown, Connecticut, in July, 1849, in the form of a paper called *Present Truth*. This is now the official organ of the denomination, the same having been changed to the *Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*.

Publishing houses are located throughout the world, including Mountain View; Washington, D. C.; Nashville, Tennessee; Shanghai, China; Seoul, Korea; Cooranbong, Australia; Tokyo, Japan; Watford, England; and Constantinople.—*Mountain View (Calif.) Register-Leader, January, 24.*

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March 10, 1913.

Sacrifice

SACRIFICE is defined to be the "surrender of anything for the sake of something else." Upon this principle the whole work of God upon earth is built. The gospel is simply the surrender of the life of Christ for the redemption of the lost. There is no other name under heaven given among men whereby we can be saved.

Jesus said (speaking to his Father), "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." He "came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." "Because he laid down his life for us, we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."

These are all familiar statements of Holy Writ and emphasize the truth that sacrifice is the foundation of the gospel work. To those who adopt this principle are given exceeding great and precious promises, even the life that now is and the one that is to come.

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." "Give and it shall be given unto you again; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom."

The young man enquired of Jesus what he should do to have eternal life. He was told to "keep the commandments." He informed the Saviour he had. Jesus then said, "If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me." The young man went away unwilling to sacrifice,—eternal life lost.

The man whose land brought forth abundantly so that he had no place to bestow his goods, talked the matter over with himself, concluded to build larger barns and lay up for a rainy day and lost his soul,—no sacrifice, no salvation.

This great principle runs all through the Scriptures, and so I am rejoiced to be identified with a movement upon earth that calls for sacrifice, and one that is worthy of it. The advent movement is to usher in the eternal day of God, and is not a disappointing fable. "He that shall come will come, and will not tarry"; and when he comes, he is to gather unto himself those who have made a covenant "by sacrifice." Those who inherit the kingdom will be those who have fed the hungry, clothed the naked, visited the sick, and ministered to the unfortunate.

Dear reader, let us not be among those who complain and grumble when the calls come to support and advance the cause; but of them who give willingly, first their own selves to the Lord, after that of their means until it can be truthfully said, that their deep poverty abounds unto the riches of their liberality. May the Lord of salvation inspire us all to sacrifice for the finishing of his mystery upon the earth.—*Chas. Thompson, in Northern Union Reaper.*

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| * S S Guilford | BF | 77 | 32 | \$43 50 | \$ 50 | \$44 00 | \$16 00 |
| Luther Miller | CK | 19 | 22 | 41 00 | 25 | 42 25 | |
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| F Peabody | PP&F | 38 | 46 | 73 50 | | 73 50 | |
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| Ray Hendricks | MTRM | 6 | | | 3 25 | 3 25 | 1 75 |
| C P Bodwell | GC | 45 | | | | | 41 00 |
| A Thresher | BF | | | | | | 18 00 |
| Mrs M Johnson | NTP | 16 | | | | | 4 75 |

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

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| H C Balsbaugh | GC | 39 | 7 | 17 00 | 7 20 | 24 20 | 47 20 |
| J S Fry | D&R | 37 | 6 | 12 00 | 3 00 | 15 00 | 5 00 |
| C H McColrey | BR | 10 | 6 | 10 00 | 75 | 10 75 | 34 75 |
| C R Canada | BF | 3 | 2 | 2 00 | 1 75 | 3 75 | 7 75 |
| Mrs Ethel Warren | BF | 2 | | | | | 10 00 |

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

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| Mamie Moore | D&R | 25 | 14 | 19 00 | | 19 00 | 6 00 |
| G C Hinshaw | DoFA | 30 | 3 | 9 00 | 7 50 | 16 50 | |
| * W L Cutchville | BF | 68 | 5 | 7 50 | | 7 50 | 1 50 |
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SUMMARY

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| Alabama Conf | | 347 | 124 | 177 00 | 25 00 | 202 00 | 41 75 |
| Kentucky Conf | | No Report. | | | | | |
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ALABAMA CONFERENCE—WEEK ENDING MARCH 1, 1913

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| H G Smith | CK | 21 | 8 | 12 50 | 1 75 | 14 25 | |
| Geo W Brown | BF | 35 | 4 | 4 50 | 3 50 | 8 00 | |
| Mrs H G Smith | CK | 25 | 1 | 1 50 | 4 25 | 5 75 | |
| Ernest F Waters | BF | 10 | | | 2 00 | 2 00 | 16 00 |

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| Agent | No. | Value |
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| Ray Hendricks | 4 | 40 |
| Mrs M Johnson | 4 | 40 |
| MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE | | |
| Mrs H C Balsbaugh | 39 | 3 90 |
| Mrs Ethel Warren | 25 | 2 50 |
| J S Fry | 23 | 2 30 |
| TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE | | |
| * Miss Laura E Young | 225 | 22 50 |
| Mrs Lenora Maxwell | 170 | 17 00 |
| Miss Bessie Swartzbaugh | 119 | 11 90 |
| Totals | 609 | \$ 60 90 |

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