



# SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

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

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TAKE NOTICE.—All copy for the WORKER should be sent to the editor at the Publishing House. But new names for the WORKER mailing list, requests for change of address, and paid advertisements should be sent to the office of the Union Conference. Even some of the secretaries do not seem to understand this, and delays are occasioned.

## Dandelions

YES, we've seen the dandelions,  
Times untold,  
As their shining yellow petals  
Swift unfold.  
There they rest upon the ground,  
Nearly all the world around;  
And they seem to come at night,  
For as soon as it is light  
One can see them left and right,—  
Bright as gold.  
Do you ask where they are found?  
Why, prone upon the ground,  
In the spring.  
There with petals clean and neat  
Dande's underneath your feet—  
Pretty thing!  
And this flower though so small  
Murmurs at us not at all,  
If with careless feet we tread  
On the beauty it has spread,  
For our eyes.  
For there is One above,  
With His name and nature love,  
Who still ruleth over all—  
From the skies.  
And he has made it so  
That the flowers for us grow;  
So we use them as we will  
And they smile upon us still,  
Though we crush them into earth  
In our thoughtless merry mirth;  
For everywhere they're found  
Often prone upon the ground,  
As we say.  
We may thus a lesson learn  
From the things we sometimes spurn;  
For they do their duty well,  
No matter where they dwell;  
And the joy they ever find  
Is that of being kind  
Every day.

## Our Publishing House

### Home Office News

SALES report for week ending April 19, 1913: Total number bound volumes, 2,835; *Watchman*, 9,703.

Our bindery report for week ending April 18 shows 17,902 books in process of binding. These are made up of "Bible Footlights," "Bible Readings," "Coming King," "Practical Guide," "Christ Our Saviour," "Daniel and the Revelation," "Great Controversy," etc.

Eld. E. L. Maxwell occupied the chapel hour Monday morning and gave us a good stirring talk, drawing practical lessons from the story of Jonah, synopsis of which follows:—

In most fish stories, the man gets the fish, but in this story the fish got the man. The word of the Lord comes to us as it did to Jonah. "We are laborers together with God." 1 Cor. 3:9. It is useless for the man who knows what the Lord has told him to do to attempt to flee from his presence, for wherever he may go the Lord will follow him.

The obstacles nearest us look large and insurmountable, and as we look off down in the valley, we think there are no difficulties there but that everything is smooth, when the fact is, if we were there we would find it just as bad or worse than where we are. The Lord asks us to do our work as unto him, and not as unto man. The Lord has placed us in the world because he wants us to do something to aid our fellow men, and he wants us to do our duty. When we neglect duty it only brings to us dissatisfaction and trouble, and we have to be brought back into the same path again.

We can not hide from it: it is manifest to both God and man.

Whenever we find ourselves becoming indifferent and careless let us look around and see that big gaping fish ready to swallow us up, and then stay out of the fish and do the work the Lord wants us to do.

Brother Maxwell's talk was much appreciated.

We have received a number of letters from Brother Eastman since he went to the institute at Huntsville, Ala. He reports a good meeting with a large number interested, and prospects that a goodly number of colporteurs will go out into the field at the close of school. From Huntsville, Brother Eastman will attend the institute at Graysville, Tenn.

In a letter received from Brother Randall, manager of our Atlanta Branch, dated April 18, we note the following:—

"For January this year the sales in our territory were

C. P. B.

"CONSIDER the lilies of the field, how they grow."

\$1,765.40; February \$3,548.65; March \$4,014.54. This report shows a decided gain for this period over the same portion of any previous year in our history. Note the comparisons.

"Sales, three months 1910, \$8,020.60; 1911, \$7,627.71; 1912, \$7,399.28; 1913, \$9,320.59.

"We feel very grateful for this showing of a gain of \$1,307.99 for the first three months of the year over the same period of the highest previous record, and this notwithstanding heavy deductions for returned books."

We surely rejoice with Brother Randall at this splendid showing in the Southeastern territory. Surely the Lord is blessing our workers in the field, and it causes the workers in the office to sense the sacredness of the work in which we are engaged, and to desire a closer walk with God.

We have an encouraging letter from Brother Harrison, general agent of the Southwestern Union. The letter is written from Elgin, Tex., and from it we will quote in part:—

"This is the last day that I will be at this place. Tomorrow I will start for Keene and get ready for the institute with the students, that begins the 22nd. We have a nice little institute at this place, and some five or six will enter the work when the school closes. South Texas will have a fine lot of students this year both from this school and also from Keene. I believe, Brother Hook, we will make our one hundred thousand dollars this year. Oklahoma passed North Texas the first week in April by going \$1,070 in orders. North Texas made \$800. Oklahoma last year did not reach the \$1,000 mark in one week until five weeks later, in fact the latter part of May. This is certainly a fine start for the first of April."

The News-Letter of the Oklahoma Tract Society is an interesting one. It is full of cheering reports, but for lack of space we will only quote a few:—

"Look at this report for week ending April 5. We are five weeks ahead of our report for last year. We expected to get our first report for \$1,000 about the 19th. Now we are in a fair way to get the *largest year's work in our history*.

"Growing. There is only one way to grow. To grow is to increase in size, weight, proportion or in quality. It seems to us that the Oklahoma colporteur work has taken all the qualities in the past reports. It started out very modestly indeed, but as time went on we have seen the work *grow*. This work has just begun to *grow*. It has been the experience of this conference for several years that when we get to \$1,000 it is not very much trouble to go on to larger things. We are sure that this will be the best year in our history."

In a general letter from Bro. W. L. Adams, secretary of the Oklahoma Tract Society he closes with this paragraph:—

"The work is onward and we are trusting that this year shall be the best in the history of our work. We have set our stakes for \$27,000 for this year."

We have secured a special tourist sleeping-car for the General Conference delegation and our schedule is as follows:—

Leave Nashville 9:30 P. M. over the N. C. & St. L. Railway to Chattanooga; leave Chattanooga 5:20 A. M. via Southern Railway for Asheville, N. C.; reach Asheville about 1 P. M. Tuesday, the 13th; stopover about five hours in Asheville, leaving there at 7 P. M. Eastern time, arriving in Washington, D. C. 10:40 A. M. Wednesday, May 14. Lower berth in tourist sleeping-car from Nashville to Washington will cost \$2.50; upper berth \$2. These are double berths and can be occupied by two persons. The lower berths are nearly all taken, and expect they will be entirely so in the next day or two, so those who desire space should make reservation at once.

We have just received an order for seven cases of books

("Coming King," Bible Footlights," and "Great Controversy") from our Atlanta Branch.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,  
R. HOOK JR., *Gen. Manager*.

## Alabama Conference

### Conference Directory

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**Membership of Alabama Conference, 1915; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$2,028. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$507; amount paid to April 11, \$181.87; amount short, \$325.16.**

**Membership of Alabama Mission, 200; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$2,080. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$520; amount paid to April 11, \$147.57; amount short, \$372.43.**

### Southern Alabama and West Florida

FROM Mobile I went to Citronelle. Owing to removals this church is not very large, but the few remaining ones are faithful. One sister was added to the church. We hope to see some others soon unite with the church here.

We passed through Mobile on our way to Pensacola, and spoke to the Mobile church on Sunday night. We have no white church at Pensacola, but there are a few faithful Sabbath-keepers there who were much encouraged by the visit. The company here has sustained a great loss in the death of Brother Grant. Last year Brother Grant was accidentally killed by a fall from a tree he was trimming.

I spoke one night to the colored church here, and made a call for some canvassers. Three responded, and we hope they will soon be in the field. I am wondering if there are not others who would like to engage in colporteur work. If so, write to Bro. M. Wilson, office address.

On my way back to Stapleton I visited our dear Brother Finch at Cottage Hill, Fla. Brother Finch is very sick, and there is not much hope for his recovery. I first met this brother in London, Ontario, about eight years ago. I arrived at Stapleton Friday, April 11, and remained with them until Monday. On Sunday we organized a church of eight members. Brother Keate has been laboring here for the past month, gathering up the threads of former labor. There are other interested ones whom we hope will take their stand soon. There is an attendance of about twenty in the Sabbath-school. Remember these new ones at the throne of grace.

A. L. MILLER.

### News Notes

ELDER MILLER returned to the southern part of the State last Monday, April 14, but left the following Friday for Sheffield where he is now holding a series of meetings.

Brother Wilson is attending the colporteurs' institute at Oakwood, and he reports that the prospects are good for some new colporteurs for Alabama. We need them and will welcome them with joy.

We were very glad to receive a visit at the office a short time ago from Doctor Haysmer. Doctor Haysmer was pass-

ing through Birmingham, and as he had some time to stop over here he came out to the office. The Doctor reports that the Oakwood Sanitarium is receiving quite a good patronage, and that it is not running behind.

Brother Pavey has been on the sick list for a few weeks, but he is much better now and is working hard to get caught up with his work.

Elder Peters has been quite sick but we are glad to hear that he is much better. Brother Peters has been doing good faithful work for the colored churches in the southern part of the conference.

Brother and Sister Glatter are now located at Montgomery, and are engaged in colporteur work. This makes five who have entered the work as a result of the Borden Springs institute.

Bro. Hugh Jones was in Birmingham last week for a few days. Brother Jones has been canvassing at Roanoke.

Several will attend the General Conference from this State and there are many more who would like very much to attend but will be unable to do so. To those who can not attend we would suggest that you send in your order for the *General Conference Bulletin*. The *Bulletin* costs only fifty cents and will contain full reports of the meeting. If you do not attend the General Conference you can not afford to be without the *Bulletin*. A good many orders are being received.

Brother Meyer reports that they are finding some interested ones in Mobile, and that they are encouraging them to attend the Sabbath-school. It is a good thing to get those who are interested to attend the Sabbath-school, for it is a step toward full identification with us.

## Kentucky Conference

### Conference Directory

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H. E. BECK, Field Agent.  
MRS. B. W. BROWN, Sabbath-School Secretary.  
W. H. WHITE, Y. P. M. V. Secretary.  
OFFICE ADDRESS, Nicholasville, Ky.

Membership of Kentucky Conference, 183; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$1,903.20. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$475.80; amount paid to April 11, \$132.26; amount short, \$343.54.

Membership of Kentucky Mission, 75; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$780. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$195; amount paid to April 11, \$104.07; amount short, \$90.93.

### Report of Labor

I FEEL sure that all our people will be glad to learn of the progress the message is making in our conference. Since last December the work has been steadily increasing. Elder Lindsay and Sister Hornung, who are laboring in the city of Louisville, have been blessed of God in seeing a good number take hold of God's truth. The church members are taking hold of the magazine work, and a real campaign is being carried on to warn the entire city. Elder Lindsay and Sister Hornung both report many deeply interested, and expect several to unite with the church soon. We were indeed glad to see the work going in the city. Brother White has held two meetings; one at Yamacraw, where three souls were baptized, and others were deeply stirred and promised to obey God. The next meeting was held at Lockport, in Henry

County. He reports ten now ready for baptism and a Sabbath-school organized, with twenty members.

Brother and Sister Dow have been laboring in the eastern part of the State. Their first meeting was held at Salyersville, where they report eleven adults keeping the Sabbath, and a Sabbath-school organized with a membership of fifteen. A meeting was then held at Davisville, and word comes that eleven adults are keeping the Sabbath and a Sabbath-school has been organized, with fifteen members. They have ordered a supply of *Sabbath-School Quarterlies*, and *Little Friends*. Besides the work that has been done by our workers, the printed page has also brought six or eight into the truth. For all that has been done we do praise Jehovah our King. Let us all be faithful in the paying of tithe and offerings.

B. W. BROWN.

### Meeting of the Conference Committee

THE committee met in Louisville, April 15, and passed the following recommendations:—

*Motion prevailed*, That we as a conference concur with the General and Union Conference committees and pledge ourselves to raise twenty cents a week per capita for missions.

That we as a conference endeavor to raise our full quota for the Loma Linda Sanitarium.

That we hold the annual camp-meeting and conference at Nicholasville, August 14-24.

That we hold tent meetings in Louisville, and one in the central part of the State. Brother Lindsay taking the oversight of the work in Louisville having associated with him Sister Hornung and a tent master, and that Brethren White and Dow man the other tent.

That we operate two tents for the colored people this year; one tent to be pitched in Bowling Green about June 1. Brother Osterman, Brother Winston, and Sister Osterman having this work in charge.

That Elder Lawrence pitch first part of the season in Louisville. Sister Wilson will assist in Bible work.

B. W. BROWN, *President*.

H. E. BECK, *Secretary*.

### In Brief

Bro. J. W. WHEELER was in Louisville attending the committee meeting the past week.

Bro. C. D. Wolff, the Union Conference field missionary agent, has been spending the past week in our conference.

Bro. W. H. White has closed his meeting at Lockport. He spent a few days in Louisville looking after the young peoples' work. He spoke on Monday night to a nice audience.

Brother Beck spent the past week in Louisville, where he and Brother Wolff have been conducting canvassing institutes for both the white and the colored, holding the white institute during the day and the colored at night.

Elder Brown spent Sabbath, the 12th, and the following week with the Louisville church.

Brother Diehl reports the work onward at the Grove church. The Louisville churches sold 1,400 magazines during the month of March. We hope to see this good work continue.

Sister Swimm, who has been visiting in Indiana, has returned to her home in Louisville.

Sister Lindsay has gone to visit her sisters in Ohio. She will be gone for several weeks.

"LET us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

## Colporteurs' Notes

THE Lord is surely blessing the workers as they begin the work for the summer. We are just a little band of Gideonites, but we can do wonders through Christ which strengtheneth us; so let us set our mark to \$12,000 this year. Then let every worker and church member work and pray that through Christ this may be accomplished.

Bro. James Hickman has worked 102 hours, and taken \$182 worth of orders. He has many rich experiences to tell, as this is his first work out on the firing line.

Bro. W. P. Ethington is also doing fine in Woodford County.

Bro. D. C. Ray is working in the hills of eastern Kentucky, and sends in good reports and tells of many interesting experiences.

Bro. A. C. Brown had to return home a few days on account of his health. He expects to return soon to Grayson County.

Bro. Curtis Pound's books have been tied up for some time on account of the floods. While waiting for his books he returned to Louisville and took a partner to himself, and will now make his headquarters in Danville. He will work Boyle County, and his wife the city of Danville.

Bro. Wm. Wheeler is preparing to move to Grove, lay down his worldly business, and take up the work.

H. E. BECK.

## Louisiana Conference

### Conference Directory

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LYDIA E. PARMELE, Medical.

**Membership of Louisiana Conference, 267; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$2,776.80. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$694.20; amount paid to April 11, \$562.38; amount short, \$131.82.**

**Membership of Louisiana Mission, 76; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$790.40. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$197.60; amount paid to April 11, \$21.47; amount short, \$176.13.**

### Marthaville

THE meeting in Marthaville closed Sunday night on the 13th, after having continued with a few breaks for more than five weeks. Eld. W. S. Lowry was with me for about ten days in the last part of the meeting, and assisted in the preaching and visiting. Bro. H. D. Leavelle also dropped in on the last Friday and Sabbath, and did his best to encourage some to seek the proper training and be workers for God.

Four promised to keep the Sabbath who had never kept it before, but two quickly became discouraged, and just how they will treat the Sabbath truth in the future is rather uncertain. The other two I believe will be faithful. Three were baptized who had been keeping the Sabbath for some time. Three more intend to be baptized in a couple of weeks. Considering the time and place and all the circumstances the

meetings were fairly well attended from first to last. Several who had been members of the Marthaville church before it was broken up attended regularly and seemed to be pleased with the hearing of the truth again and were much encouraged. Seven sent in signed applications to join the conference church. Three of these had been members of the Marthaville church. Three or four more will doubtless send in applications a little later. We have a little Sabbath-school of about fifteen members counting the children. I expect to keep visiting this Sabbath-school for about a month or so, and perhaps preach to them. It is the plan now to hold a series of meetings about four miles north of Marthaville in a country church, for about a month if the interest justifies. It is my earnest hope and expectation that several will embrace the truth at this place, and join our Marthaville company, and possibly we will have enough a little later to organize a church there again. The church at this place was broken up principally by the death of prominent members and the removal of many to other places. I am greatly encouraged to see the results that have attended this effort in Marthaville. It is a hard, burnt-over place but we should rejoice and praise the Lord that he has given the success that he has.

O. F. FRANK.

### News Items

FOUR more united with the New Orleans church at the meeting on Thursday night, April 10, subject to baptism to be administered April 17. A number of others have promised to follow their example soon, while still others have begun the observance of the Sabbath. The outside interest continues about the same.

Bro. Charles Lantz visited the training school in New Orleans, where Sister Lantz has been in attendance since its opening. They celebrated their 20th anniversary while here, and have the heartiest wishes of their friends for many returns of the day.

Doctor Parmele expects a graduate nurse to join her in her work, the 30th of this month. The nurse will attend to the Doctor's bath-room work.

Now that the mayoralty question in Alexandria has been settled, the brethren write that it is practically certain that we will be able to secure the City Park for our camp-meeting there. If our hopes in this regard are realized, we will have an ideal place for the camp. Do not miss the meeting this year. The ministering brethren will come fresh from the General Conference session to be held in Washington, and will have the latest information regarding the progress of the message in all parts of the world. You can not afford to remain away from the meeting this year.

Elder Lowry expects soon to begin a tent meeting in the northern part of the State, and Elder Frank will hold a meeting in the country four miles from Marthaville. The meetings for both the white people and the colored in New Orleans are producing fruit.

IN a personal letter from Brother Frank Peabody we quote the following:—

"We returned to Opelousas from Washington to-day (April 11); finished there Wednesday. Spent Thursday in Macland at a saw mill where we found two families who were acquainted with our books. Sold a primer to one. They came from Plano, Tex.

"We commence delivering here Tuesday. The Lord has blessed us with orders ever since we commenced. Pray that we may be successful in this delivery for it is what really counts.

"I have only taken one order that was in the slightest degree conditional. One man gave me an order and I had his name in the book, but when I handed him his guarantee slip he refused to sign, so I took the slip and erased his name."

Brother Peabody here mentions a very good point regarding the taking of orders. All orders should be unqualified, without any strings attached. It is only these orders upon which the colporteur can depend. All other promises are like ropes of sand.

Bro. C. P. Bodwell has had some very good experiences, and he writes: "I have had a very pleasant experience. Last Friday I started to go where there were some eight or ten families sawing logs about four miles out in the country. I thought that at most I would only take two or three orders, and then would have to make the delivery trip later, and so would have a great deal of hard walking to do with small result. This seemed a little discouraging, but I decided to do my duty and do thorough work.

"I started out, and after walking a short way met a man and sold him a full morocco 'Great Controversy' to be delivered in town. The Sabbath was drawing on, so I stopped at a house and sold a marble binding of the same book and stayed there over the Sabbath and Sunday, paying only fifty cents for board and room. Before this, board had been costing me nearly a dollar a day. The man of the house found out that I was an Adventist and was very much interested in the truth.

"The following morning I went to the camp, and although the men were moving and did not have the time to spare, I sold a \$4 and a \$3 'Great Controversy,' and three 'Best Stories.' A little further on I sold several other books. How good the Lord is. I thought as I came away how encouraging it is to know that six intelligent families will soon be reading the third angel's message.

"So far I have taken thirty orders for the marble binding of 'Great Controversy.'"

We rejoice with Brother Bodwell that the Lord is giving him success. It does not pay to be discouraged, and then too, we know that discouragement is the devil's best tool.

After July 1, the price of *Our Little Friend* will be advanced to seventy cents per year for single subscriptions, and sixty cents per year in clubs. All subscriptions received by the tract society before this date will be accepted at the old rate of sixty cents per year for singles, and fifty cents in clubs.

The above is in accordance with instructions received from the publishers and we are passing it on so that all of our Sabbath-schools may renew under the old rate. Even though your club may not expire for some time it will pay you to renew right away.

The third March, second April, and the first May editions of the *Protestant* are all on the press now, so we can still begin subscriptions with the March number. This is the word received from the *Protestant* and is a wonderful demonstration of the great demand for this magazine.

Last but not least we mention the special CYCLONE, FLOOD, and FIRE issue of the *Watchman*. This May number is right to the point. These subjects are uppermost in the minds of every one in the Mississippi valley, and now is the time to present the truth to them. A general effort is on foot throughout Louisiana, and every church, as well as every isolated member, has been invited to engage in this line of work. The opportunity is before us, the magazines are ready, and hungry, weary souls are longing for the message which is contained in the *May Watchman*.

Although this is a special number the usual rates will pre-

vail, of ten cents each for one to four copies; five cents each for five to forty-nine copies; four cents each for fifty to one thousand copies. Send in your order right away remitting cash in advance.

Nearly a month ago an order for the *General Conference Bulletin* was received and acknowledged. This last week our customer writes in asking why the paper is so long in coming. Really we thought that all understood that the *Bulletin* will be printed the first day of the Conference which is May 15. This is amusing, but shows how anxious this person is to receive the paper. Have you ordered your copy yet? There is now time to receive the first issue but soon it will be too late. The rate is fifty cent for the entire session.

O. R. GODSMARK.

## Mississippi Conference

### Conference Directory

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**Membership of Mississippi Conference, 157; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$1,632.80. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$408.20; amount paid to April 11, \$93.29; amount short, \$314.91.**

**Membership of Mississippi Mission, 130, proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$1,352. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$338; amount paid to April 11, \$96.74; amount short, \$241.26.**

### Treasurer's Report for March, 1913

#### TITHES

Jackson .....	\$ 73 30
Pine Grove .....	41 40
Ellisville .....	26 18
Conference Church .....	17 50
Hatley .....	3 69
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 162 07</b>

#### OFFERINGS

Sabbath-School .....	\$ 24 17
Nashville Sanitarium .....	10 00
Religious Liberty .....	5 65
Foreign Missions .....	4 00
Harvest Ingathering .....	2 25
Loma Linda .....	2 00
Conference Poor Fund .....	1 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 49 07</b>

PARIZETTA SMITH, Treasurer.

### News Notes

ELD. C. S. WIEST was with the church at Vicksburg Sabbath, April 12th, and with the church at Meridian Sabbath, April 19th.

Bro. Virgil Smith, our hustling field missionary secretary, has been visiting the canvassers for the past three weeks. He expects to go out with a brother at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, April 23-29.

Jere Dyer Smith, who has been canvassing in Lafayette

County, has been a welcome caller at the Conference home for the past few days. He will leave soon for Texas.

Now that the date and place for camp-meeting has been decided upon, it is time to begin planning to attend. Those who miss this season of refreshing do not realize how much they are losing. We are hoping that every one who can possibly arrange to do so will be present during the entire meeting. Every year we need to draw nearer to God, and become more closely united in our ideas and organized effort for work. Especially is this so now, because everything is pointing toward the final termination of all things earthly, and as we near the close of time, Satan will marshal all his hosts together to defeat the cause of God. We have a Captain who is much mightier than Satan, if we will only let him work through us. Let us all come to the camp-meeting this year prepared to receive a blessing, and to be a blessing to others.

## Tennessee River Conference

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**Membership of Tennessee River Conference, 538; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$5,595.20. Amount due to April 11, 1913, \$1,398.80; amount paid to April 11, \$666.91; amount short, \$731.89.**

**Membership of Tennessee River Mission, 109; proportion of Twenty-cents-a-week Fund, \$1,133.60. Amount due April 11, 1913, \$238; amount paid to April 11, \$35.08; amount short, \$248.32.**

### News Items

BROTHER DART and Elder Maxwell visited the Fountain Head Church last Sabbath, and report splendid meetings there. The brethren are all of good courage and will endeavor to press the battle onward during the summer.

Sabbath afternoon the home and school of Brother and Sister Walen who are conducting a self-supporting school about seven miles east of Fountain Head, was burned to the ground. Brother Walen and his wife have worked hard to get this school built up to where it would be a splendid influence for good in the work, and now the result of their several years of effort is represented by a dismal pile of ashes. We know that many of our brethren will be glad to assist them to get started again, and those who desire to do so may communicate with the conference office or with Brother Walen or Bro. B. N. Mulford, direct. Their address is Fountain Head, Tenn.

We have ordered the large tent we will have to use for the camp-meeting, and the conference treasurer will be very glad to get your contribution to the tent fund. Let us all take hold of this matter at once, and we will be able to have a good equipment for our tent and camp-meeting work. The tent that we have ordered will cost over \$300, but will last us for a long time, we trust.

Every church officer and Sabbath-school superintendent should remember to keep the matter of the twenty-cents-a-week fund before the people. We are behind, but we are

going to catch up by the middle of the year. We will if all get under the burden. Let us all lift in the name of the Lord.

### Keep It Before the People

My attention has been called to our twenty-cents-a-week fund up to this date—this will appear in this issue of the WORKER, and will show that our conference is behind on this fund \$738.82. This amount is equal to a little over \$1.36 per member or 11.6 cents per week for thirteen weeks. I am sure that we are all anxious to see this fund made up and kept up until the end of the year. Our success in raising this amount will depend upon the co-operation of every church member in the State and especially upon the efforts of the officers and members of the Sabbath-schools. Let us keep it constantly before our brethren.

The great call of the mission fields is simply the call of God to us to do our duty in proclaiming this gospel of the kingdom to all the world. Let us every one pray that the Lord will give us financial blessings, so that we may have the means with which to carry forward his grand work.

We hope that we will be able to report a much better showing on the part of every church in the conference at the end of this present month. Already we have gone far over our last year's record for the same time, and with a little more effort we will be able to pull clear out where we ought to stand.

E. L. M.

### What the Students Say About the Colporteurs' Institute at Hazel

MARY CHAPMAN: "I attended my first institute which was held in the chapel of the Hazel Academy. I enjoyed it very much. I want to have a part in the closing work."

LENA BROWN: "During the institute I received blessings which were a great help to me. It caused me to realize the great importance of this branch of God's great work, and gave me a desire to win precious souls for Christ."

REBECCA MOORE: "I was glad to have another opportunity of attending an institute. I praise the Lord for the many rich blessings I received. I desire to be faithful in his work."

JOHN HEWITT: "I was glad to have the opportunity of taking part in the colporteurs' institute held here at the school. Brother Dart gave me some very interesting talks on the work, and told some of his experiences when he first engaged in the work. I am sure all who attended the institute received many blessings from it."

LURA REED: "I enjoyed the institute held here very much. It was the first one I ever attended. I have had a desire for some time to enter the work, and it gave me a new determination to push forward and do something. I know I shall enjoy the colporteur work."

H. ETHINGTON: "I certainly enjoyed many blessings from the instructions given, during the colporteurs' institute. The Lord is calling for laborers to warn those who are in darkness. Let us show our faith in God by laboring in his vineyard. The harvest is ripe, but the laborers are few."

LIZZIE LAVONIA HARP: "I received many blessings during the institute held here at Hazel. There are many precious experiences in store for us as a band of young people. Jesus helps those who help themselves."

P. M. CARR: "This was the first colporteurs' institute I have had the privilege of attending. And it surely was a privilege, for I received much benefit from it. I now realize more than ever before that the colporteur work is honorable.

It is an important part of an education. I got a little idea of this work by selling some Temperance *Instructors* in Murray, which gave me much courage."

MINNIE BROWN: "I received many blessings during the institute. And I believe that colporteur work is a missionary work of the highest order. As soon as school closes, I expect to enter the work of winning souls for the kingdom. I want to be a faithful worker and meet with all the workers from all over the world in the new earth, and listen to the many interesting experiences there will be told."

LILLIAN D. HARP: "The institute was one long to be remembered by all who attended. The good instruction given made a lasting impression upon my mind, and I look at the colporteur work very differently since attending the institute. I said before the institute, 'O, I am not going to canvass. I was not cut out for a canvasser any way.' But I have decided that I am cut out for any work the Lord wants me to do. If you think you can not canvass talk to Brother Dart."

Some have been out with books and magazines and enjoyed it so much. Two of the youngest students who were out with the *Instructor* say:—

I thank the Lord for my first experience in his work. I thank him that he blessed me. Pray for me.

GRACE HOWARD.

I thank the Lord for the privilege of attending the institute. I thank him for his many blessings to me. I hope to be in his work before it closes. Pray for me.

BETTIE BELLE PEACOCK.

I am sure I enjoyed the institute as much as any one.

C. F. DART.

Nashville

We are glad to be among the living, and especially to have a part in the closing message. A large audience turned out to hear our lecture on "The Significance of the Cyclones and Floods." It was pleasing to see that at least some hearts were impressed that we are living in solemn times. Last Sabbath day we had seventeen new Sabbath-keepers out to meeting; this was the largest number thus far to attend meeting at one time.

We have started a small Sabbath-school just out of town, where two families have begun to keep the Sabbath. Our brethren from the city will go out to encourage them from time to time, and help them carry on this little Sabbath-school.

We have also a call for work some thirty miles away which will be filled by members of our church. Our orchestra is doing well. It does a great deal toward keeping up the interest. We hope to add several instruments during the summer.

It will soon be time to open the tent meetings. We are laying plans for a good series of lectures just as soon as the weather will permit. Pray for our efforts.

C. A. HANSEN and WORKERS.

Advance in Price of "Little Friend"

AFTER thorough and careful consideration of the matter by the Board, we feel that we must increase the price of the *Little Friend*, this advance to be effective July 1, 1913.

All subscriptions forwarded to us by the tract society before that date will be accepted at the old rate of sixty cents a year for singles and fifty cents a year in clubs.

All subscriptions leaving the tract society on or after July first, will be entered at the new rates of seventy cents a year for singles and sixty cents a year in clubs.

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ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
I W Peevy*	BF	37	28	\$39 50	\$ 1 50	\$41 00	\$ 7 50
R T Jacks	BF	20	15	16 50	4 00	20 50	3 00
M L Ivory	BF	52	9	13 50	2 25	15 75	3 75
C D Sloane*	PP&F	33	7	10 50	3 50	14 00	14 00
P Hampton*	BF	46	9	10 00	3 00	13 00	
H G Smith	CK	20	7	11 50		11 50	
Lula Scott	CK	7	4	5 00		5 00	
Lola Balew	BF	20	4	4 00	75	4 75	
Mrs H G Smith	CK	25	1	1 50	50	2 00	
Totals		260	84	\$112 00	\$15 50	\$127 50	\$28 25

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
James Hickman	BF	44	54	\$54 50	\$22 65	\$77 15	\$
W P Ethington	BF	34	24	25 50	2 75	28 25	
Totals		78	78	\$80 00	\$25 40	\$105 40	\$

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE							
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
Frank Peabody	PP&F	45	34	\$59 00	\$ 3 25	\$61 25	\$
C P Bodwell	GC&PG	40	19	59 00		59 00	
I J Reed	PP&F&BF	43	34	47 00	4 25	51 25	
Mrs F Peabody	PP&F	11	5	7 50	75	8 25	
J Harzman	PP&F	19	3	4 50	1 25	5 75	1 50
S F Reeder	BF						1 50
Totals		158	95	\$177 00	\$ 9 50	\$185 50	\$ 3 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE							
NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
J S Fry*	D&R	120	47	\$100 00	\$10 25	\$110 25	\$19 25
Emily Billups	BF	20	39	58 50		58 50	
Ella Johnson	PP&F	15	28	45 00		45 00	
Annie Watts	BF	20	30	45 00		45 00	
C H McColrey	BR	38	20	37 00	6 25	43 25	6 25
T R Battles	BF	20	27	28 00	8 25	36 25	51 75
H C Balsbaugh	BF&GC	45	21	34 00	60	34 60	8 60
E P Campbell	PG	25	11	33 00		33 00	
A L Saxon	BR	31	9	29 00	1 75	30 75	1 75
Elmer Chastain	CK	21	23	23 00	1 25	24 25	1 25
Louise B Jackson	CK	12	8	12 00	5 75	17 75	5 75
H G Miller	D&R	25	6	16 00		16 00	
W H Haddon	MISC	28	18	13 75	75	14 50	4 75
Fannie B Dorsey	BF	35	12	12 50	75	13 25	75

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### Observe May 3

SABBATH, May 3, has been appointed by the General Conference Committee for Missionary Volunteer Day. Do not fail to observe it.

### To Conference Officers

WE desire to call the especial attention of Conference Officers to the notice on this page under the heading, "No Paper June 5." It is desirable that the secretaries especially bear this in mind and make their colporteur reports for two weeks instead of for one week at that time.

Both Secretaries and Presidents are urgently requested to make a special effort to provide matter for the WORKER during the time of the General Conference. The regular editor will be absent at this time and the paper will be in other and less experienced hands. Special help will therefore be much appreciated.

### No Paper June 5

INASMUCH as we print only fifty numbers of the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER during the year, there must of necessity be two weeks out of each fifty-two when there will be no paper issued from this office. The first omission of this kind will occur June 5, the next one, December 25.

The reason for dropping out a paper June 5 is on account of the General Conference. There will at this time be a dearth of news from the local conferences served by the WORKER. In this respect there will be a similar situation December 25, on account of closing up the year's work: hence these two dates have been selected as causing the slightest inconvenience to all concerned.

All those interested will please take notice therefore, and at least endeavor to remember that Number 23 of the WORKER will bear date of June 12, and that the volume will close with Number 50, date of December 18. THE PUBLISHERS.

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J D Smith	.....BR	25	3	10 00	2 50	12 50	2 50
M A Murphy	..PP&F	3	7	9 00		9 00	
C R Canada	....BF	39	1	1 00	4 75	5 75	55 75
Miss M P Sparks	BF	5	4	4 00	75	4 75	75
Totals	.....	527	314	\$510 75	\$43 60	\$554 35	\$159 10

#### TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

C H Chenault	..D&R	55	34	\$76 00	\$12 00	\$88 00	\$
G C Hinshaw	...BF	37	20	22 50	5 00	27 00	
R H Hazelton	..GC	36	8	17 00	2 50	19 50	
Mrs Dan Brown	BF	15	9	9 00			
J S Moore	.....sofp	33					3 25
Totals	.....	176	71	\$122 50	\$19 50	\$134 50	\$ 3 25

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### Magazine Agents' Report, Week Ending April 12, 1913

Agent	No.	Value
ALABAMA CONFERENCE		
Mrs H G Smith	15	\$ 1 50
Lula Scott	10	1 00
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE		
S F Reeder	58	5 80
Susie Boden	23	2 15
Bertha Reed	6	60
MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE		
Mrs H C Balsbaugh	11	1 10
H G Miller	4	40
A L Saxon	3	30
Elmer Chastain	2	20
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE		
Mrs Dan Brown	5	50
Totals	137	\$ 13 55