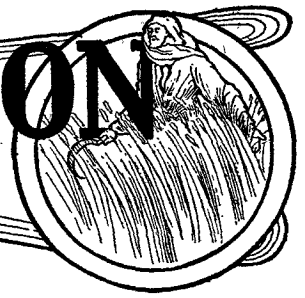




SOUTHERN UNION WORKER



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

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He Loveth Forever

FIGHT the fight, Christian,
Jesus is o'er thee;
Run the race, Christian,
Heaven's before thee;
He who hath promised
Faltereth never;
He who hath loved so well,
Loveth forever.

—Selected.



General



Our Young People

WE have a large constituency of young people in our denomination, and we certainly are anxious to hold these young people in our denominational work. We are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in this country yearly to bring people, who are not Adventists, into the faith. Possibly we are spending in this country alone a million and a half dollars to make converts to our faith. This has been going on for a long time; yet we are making little progress. It is like pouring in all the time, but there is a leak somewhere. We do not get ahead. One of the greatest losses that come to us as a people is in our young men and women leaving our truth when they come to the age of maturity. If there is one thing that ought to command our attention, it is this: **WHAT CAN WE DO TO SAVE THESE YOUNG PEOPLE TO THIS WORK?**

I remember the day that Brother Luther Warren came before the General Conference Committee and suggested the creation of a young people's department. From that day to this, my heart has beat in sympathy with having something in our midst that would save our young people. I believe as we study other churches, and as we study the organizations within other churches, we can see that they have done a great and mighty work by having these young people's organizations.

Now we have a young people's organization, and I believe one of the greatest blessings and one of the strongest agencies that we have for saving our youth is this young people's work. I do not believe there is any other investment that will bring us better returns. We must work for trained leaders. We must have young men and women who can step to the front and take conferences, and who can take schools, or come in as secretaries of departments. We can not get these young people from the world. We must have them in our own denomination. So I think the best investment we can make is to save our young people.

I have always believed, and I still believe, in men and women setting themselves apart to make a success of this work. We must have trained and continuous leadership in

the union and local conferences, and we also want it in the General Conference. We want it in the North American Division; and then we want every leader in these various fields to second the efforts of these people that this work may be made a success.

I can see tremendous possibilities in this work. Remarkable gains! I can see a great saving in finances and in young people, if we can have an organization that will rally all our young people. I believe that presidents of conferences and preachers and all classes ought to help save our young people by pushing this organization, encouraging our young people to take hold of it and to join it; also by encouraging them to take the reading courses, and follow out the Morning Watch. There are a hundred little things being devised that have within them possibilities, and that would each appeal to some one. I believe we have struck the right trail, brethren, if we carry out this Young People's Missionary Volunteer movement, making it strong and efficient. I believe the result will be that many of our young people will become workers in the cause of God who otherwise would drift into the world.

I. H. EVANS.

Items Concerning the Self-Supporting School Work

THE Missionary Volunteer Society at the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute has been soliciting text-books and Bibles for the use of the children in some of the highland schools. Several boxes of books have been obtained in this way. A most interesting letter was received from Elder J. N. Loughborough, one of the pioneers in the Seventh-day Adventist cause, who sent a number of Testaments in answer to this call. Many of the teachers find it hard to supply the children with books. The children come from homes where there is very little money, and the furnishing of text-books is a problem. If any of those who read this feel that they can help supply the needs in these schools they are invited to correspond with Brother Faye Littell, Madison, Tenn.

Professor Boynton and wife, instructors in the academy at San Fernando, Calif., have been invited to associate with Brother W. G. Wilson in building up an industrial school on the property purchased by Brother and Sister Hurlbutt near Reeves, Ga. Professor Boynton spent the summer months in the Madison School, for it is the purpose of the founders of the new school at Reeves to make it a school after the Madison order. Professor Boynton returned to San Fernando for the winter, expecting to come South again next spring. Brother W. G. Wilson and family are living on the property at Reeves, and recently Brother J. E. Hanson and wife, formerly of Madison, joined them.

Brother Erman Stearns, of Lemoore, Calif., a student of the Madison School in the year 1912, returned to Madison this fall with his wife and two sisters. Brother Louis Hansen, of Armona, Calif., spent the summer at home and returned for

the opening of the fall term. Mr. and Mrs. Claud Bunch, of Oregon, entered at the beginning of the fall term. Mrs. Bunch is a sister of Miss Rilla Boynton, who for four years was connected with the Madison School and who expects to be in the South again in the course of a few months.

Elder C. P. Bollman addressed the students of the Madison School at the Sabbath morning service hour, November 1. It is always a pleasure to have Elder Bollman with us. He has been acquainted with the school from its beginning, has visited a number of the highland schools and has in various ways assisted in their development. The five California students mentioned above were admitted to the Madison Church.

Brother H. L. Reese and family, of Charleston, W. Va., entered the Madison School, October 31. For the past year Brother Reese has been planning to connect with the southern work, but not until the last few weeks have things so shaped themselves that he felt free to come. He and his wife both state that they have cut every tie that might bind them to the North, because they feel that God has called them to give their lives to the southern cause. They were heartily welcomed by the student body.

Professor C. F. Alden was with the Madison School for a few hours Sabbath, November 1, conducting worship in the morning. Professor Alden was one of the first to open a highland school. He and his associates are located near Goodlettsville where a school of over eighty is being conducted. Most of these children come from the homes in that immediate neighborhood. Some, however, ride from eight to ten miles a day in order to enjoy the privileges of this school. A few days ago I was driving up a hill on the Louisville Pike when I overtook a young man pushing his wheel and carrying a load of books. I asked him where he attended school. His answer was, "At that Adventist school up on the hill." He was one of Mr. Alden's students coming from Millersville. It is always a pleasure to have Professor Alden with us at Madison. During his brief stay, he told how he became interested in the southern work while attending the school at Berrien Springs, Mich. In those days the acceptance of the principles of Christian education by a public school superintendent called for as decided a conversion as the acceptance of the Sabbath demands of those who have long been Sunday-keepers.

Miss Martha Borg recently left Madison to continue her nurses' training at the Hinsdale Sanitarium. Miss Mabel McConnell is doing private nursing at present in Tullahoma. Brother James McLaughlin, for two years a member of the Madison School, completed his nurses' course recently, and has joined Brother and Sister John Myers in the new work they are starting near Tullahoma, Tenn.

Brother T. A. Graves sends the following word concerning the work he and others are doing near Lawrence, Tenn.:

"The Flatwood Industrial School opened September 22, with Brother George Crawford as teacher. As the public schools are now in session we did not expect an outside attendance this fall, but we have the promise of a number of pupils after the public school closes. We have three boarding students from Alabama who heard of our school and wished to come. They are not Sabbath-keepers, but we thought it might be doing missionary work to take them into our home. They are getting along nicely, and the work in general is progressing. Some interested ones are talking the truth. One asked my wife how we explained some points on the Sabbath. The Methodist preacher says he believes in the state of the dead as we do, and he is preaching the paying of tithe, using us as an example. We hold our little prayer-meeting each Wednesday night. All are of good cheer."

M. BESSIE DEGRAW.

Our Publishing House

Home Office News

SALES report for week ending Nov. 15, 1913: Total number bound volumes, 5,442; *Watchman*, 5,361.

The bindery report for the week ending November 15 discloses the fact that we have 68,509 books in process of manufacture in our bindery. This is the largest figure we have reported in many months, and tells us that the work in the field is onward and that there is a demand for our product.

A short time ago one day's mail brought in orders for 3,472 books to be scattered over this great Southland. Orders were received for several thousand copies of our new book, "Gospel Story," long before the book was off the press, one mail bringing in orders for 2,550 copies of this book. "Family Bible Teacher" is having a splendid circulation and it was found necessary a short time ago to place an additional order for 15,000 sets of this pamphlet.

Orders for the *Watchman* are falling off some. We trust that our people will rally to the support of our home magazine and give it a wide circulation. It contains the truth for this time, and if placed in the homes of the people, we are sure will result in converting souls to Christ.

R. H.

The Chapel Talk

OUR manager, Brother R. Hook Jr., occupied the chapel hour Monday morning, November 17, after an extended visit to the Florida camp-meeting, held at Lakeland, Fla. Brother Hook sailed from this point to Mobile, Ala., returning via New Orleans, La., in response to a telegram from Elder R. W. Parmele, requesting that he audit the Louisiana Tract Society books.

The Florida meeting was well attended from all parts of the conference. The tents were located in a beautiful grove of pine and live oak trees, while a number of orange and grapefruit trees were in the immediate vicinity. Lake Martha, not one hundred yards distant, added to the beauty of the landscape. Plenty of time was given for the consideration of the book and magazine work. Considerable enthusiasm was created in the circulation of our literature and interest in the canvassing work is on the increase.

Elder George I. Butler, formerly president of the Southern Union Conference and chairman of the Southern Publishing Association, was in attendance at the meetings and gave valuable assistance in behalf of the *Watchman*. Brethren V. O. Cole and D. W. Dillen are untiring in their efforts to bring up the book and magazine sales in Florida, and rendered splendid help. Brother Dillen has only recently connected with the conference as field agent, but he has created a live interest in the canvassing work and we look for increased sales in the near future.

On Missionary day the brethren gave donations to the amount of over \$5,000, and a spirit of sacrifice and loyalty to the cause was manifest. Several declared that the meeting was the best they had ever attended. Brother Hook reports that he was warmly welcomed by the conference president, Elder Heckman, and all the brethren present, and will look back on his visit to Florida as one of the bright experiences in his life.

The colored brethren also held their camp-meeting in Lakeland with a very good attendance, and the same consecration and devotion to the truth was manifest in their meeting.

We were glad to welcome Brother Hook back into our midst and enjoyed his remarks very much.

B.

Some Helpful Experiences in Delivering

THESE notes on helpful experiences in delivering are sent us by Brother Collison of the Southwestern field. We are passing them along for the helpful suggestions they contain.

"We had a book to deliver to a Baptist minister and he had evidently been posted about what the book contained. When we found him picking cotton with another man he said he did not have the money and could not take it for a week or so. We said, 'That's all right. I can help you get the money. Just come and get into the buggy, but (turning to the other man in the field) couldn't you let Mr. Gray have \$3 for a few days to take up his note?' He said, 'Of course I could if he wants it.' Mr. Gray said, 'Oh! I do not need all of it. I have some.'

"We next had three orders to deliver to colored people. At the first place we found the old mother at home. She said her daughter was out in the field, but was not ready to take the book. I showed her what a fine book her daughter had ordered, and after getting her interested, asked her how much the girl lacked of having enough to pay for the book. She said the girl only had a dollar, and I found that the old lady had no money. I went to the next house, where we had two orders, and found no money; so I started the woman out to try and borrow it while I went to the field to see the man and the first woman. After reconvening both parties, I found that the first girl had \$1.50 instead of only a dollar; and as they said they could have the rest of the money in about three days or as soon as they got a bail of cotton out, I suggested that the first girl lend a part of the \$1.50 to the others so that I could leave all three books at the store in town, as the tract society did not allow us to leave books at stores without part paid down. I went back to the old colored woman and had her hunt out the girl's \$1.50 and left with all three books. In three days' time the other \$7.50 was paid and the books taken up from the grocery store where we had left them. If we had only let the \$1.50 be a part payment on one book, it is very likely that only one book would have been taken up. We thank the Lord that we can learn by experiences to be able to deliver more books each year and thus get in more present truth."

Mississippi Conference

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Mississippi Conference — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Am't for year, 20c per wk.	Amount due to Nov. 11	Amount paid to Nov. 11	Amount short
157	\$1632.80	\$1413.00	\$1394.39	\$ 18.61

Mississippi Mission — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

130	\$1352.00	\$1126.67	\$ 121.12	\$1005.55
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News Items

ELDER WIEST spent the Sabbath, November 15, with the Jackson Church. He spent the forenoon with the Brookhaven Colored Church, and the afternoon at Jackson.

Brother Smith, our field agent, is still among the colporteurs. He gives interesting reports with reference to the progress of the work. It is encouraging to see the zeal and earnestness most of our workers are manifesting. Brother Smith is directing his efforts toward helping as many of the colporteurs as possible. He recently made a successful delivery for one of our boys who is absent.

Brother and Sister H. G. Miller, of Biloxi, passed through Jackson on Wednesday, November 1, on their way north. They spent the day, also the fore part of the night, with the Jackson people, being present at the regular prayer-meeting services. Brother Miller conducted this meeting and gave an interesting study. Sister Miller was our State Sabbath-school Secretary, being elected at the last camp-meeting, and Brother Miller has been engaged in the colporteur work the last year. He was formerly state agent. He goes now to take up the work of field agent in the Western Colorado Conference. They will visit relatives a short time in Iowa before going to Colorado. Their present address is Bagley, Iowa. We regret to lose these valuable workers, but our loss is Colorado's gain.

Mrs. C. S. Wiest, wife of Elder Wiest, returned last week from Pennsylvania. She has been visiting relatives and friends in the East since the late General Conference. She and her two little ones are well, and seem to have been much benefited by the rest and vacation.

Cheering word comes from Hattiesburg regularly for the blessings of God attending the efforts being put forth there. Sister Morrow writes that they are having good experiences in personal visits and Bible readings with the people. We continue to receive remittances from Hattiesburg for tithe and the Harvest Ingathering. This proves that they are awake to the opportunities they have and are improving them.

A letter received last week from Brother C. H. McColrey, one of our faithful colporteurs, stated that up to that time in his delivery, he had delivered one hundred per cent. He also sent a nice remittance. He gave some interesting experiences of how eager the people were to get their books. One old fellow had been trying for several weeks to sell a cow so that he could have the cash with which to purchase his book. About three hours before Brother McColrey drove up, a purchaser came along and bought the cow; so the man got his book all right.

Brother Chastain, another of our faithful workers, was recently in the office and took several more copies of the Ingathering Review. Brother Chastain has already used several of these, and says he likes to have a supply on hand when he is out with his books. He exchanges them for horse feed, for his meals, and other purposes of like nature, and then puts the amount it would have cost him if paid in cash into his Harvest Ingathering treasury. This is a good plan for others to follow.

Sister B. W. Watson, of Doloroso, has recently ordered several more Ingathering papers. She and Sister Ethel Warren are going together to work a small town a short distance from their home. They both have already done splendidly in this work, but are not satisfied, and are hoping that others will yet join them in raising our desired amount. Let us take note of this.

Sister Ethel Scales, writing from Brookville, orders more papers and states that they will get more than the per capita amount. We look for a nice remittance from her and her husband soon.

We wish it were possible to quote many of the encouraging expressions from letters received at this office. We believe from this that God is blessing the individual members throughout the conference, and that our work will yet show a good growth for the year. May it be so.

Change of Address

OUR address is Bagley, Iowa until Dec. 4, 1913.

H. G. MILLER and MOLLIE MILLER.

Kentucky Conference

Conference Directory

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 OFFICE ADDRESS, Nicholasville, Ky.

Kentucky Conference — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership Am't for year, 20c per wk.	Amount due to Nov. 11	Amount paid to Nov. 11	Amount short
183	\$1903.20	\$1647.00	\$1209.34
			\$ 437.66

Kentucky Mission — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

75	\$ 780.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 259.22	\$ 390.78
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News Items

BROTHER D. S. SUTTON sends in his tithe and writes a very encouraging letter of his faith in this message.

Brother Jacob White, of Paint Lick, has been holding some meetings in a colored settlement, and now there is a call for a colored minister. Truly the harvest is ripe.

Brother Walter Jones has been doing some work at Franklin and reports a desire on the part of a few to hear this message.

Brother James Meyer, of Lexington, was an office visitor the past week. He gave a good report of the Harvest Ingathering work in that city.

Word just received from Brother Carnes states that he will soon go to Illinois to spend the remainder of the winter. We hope he will continue selling the printed page.

Brother Lindsay Ramey, of Davisville, sends in the encouraging word that there are some new Sabbath-keepers in the neighborhood adjoining them. These new ones have learned of the message through the efforts put forth by the brethren at Davisville.

Brother Beck spoke to the Nicholasville company Sabbath, November 8. He is assisting Brother Hickman at this writing.

Miss Grace Donnley, of Mount Vernon, Ohio, is visiting at the home of Elder Lindsay. She is a sister of Mrs. Lindsay.

Sister B. D. Foster, of Carter County, writes that she has been praying for some one to come to that county to sell the printed page. We wish some of our people would see that this call is filled by going into the colporteur work.

Brother J. P. Salmon sends in a remittance and orders the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER. Have you sent in your order yet? If not, you had better do so at once.

Sister Bivin, of Lexington, has been doing good work with our small books. This is the time of year when each Adventist should do something to get our books before the people. Why not try to get up a good order for Christmas delivery?

Brother Lawrence took four new members into the colored church at Louisville, Sabbath, November 8. He is having many calls from all parts of the city to teach the people the truth.

Brother Harry Jacobs and family, of Stanford, spent Sabbath, November 8, in Nicholasville.

Word has been received from Ford, Ky., telling of the death of Brother C. W. Vermillion's father.

The colored brethren at Louisville have decided to erect a new church building on Chestnut Street, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth. Their present building is too small to accommodate the congregation.

Sister Warren Judson, of Louisville, is quite sick. She is suffering with asthma.

Brother Amos Allman, of Burnside, writes that he expects to labor with the Harvest Ingathering *Review* until he has secured at least \$5 for missions. That is a good decision. We would be glad to hear from others with the same determination.

Brother Howard and family, of Irvington, were in Louisville Sunday, November 9, to attend the baptismal service. He and his son Wayne were baptized.

Brother Milton Jones reports that he is still selling our magazines and small books. He has ordered his second supply of *Liberty*. This sounds good as it shows that some people are anxious to learn the principles it teaches.

Baptismal services were held in Louisville Sunday, November 9. There was sixteen who followed their Lord in this ordinance. Elder Lindsay officiated.

Elder Brown has been holding meetings with the churches in Louisville. He spent several days assisting to arrange the work there so that the best results might be obtained. On Sabbath, November 8, a good congregation was present to hear him speak of the message and its progress in the earth.

Brother Christian Hornung is spending some time with the brethren at Lockport assisting on the new church building.

The colporteurs who have entered the field recently have been blessed with good success.

Among the Churches

SINCE my last report I have had the pleasure of visiting the brethren at Lexington, Louisville, and Irvington. I was glad to see the courage manifested on the part of the brethren in all these places. I arrived in Louisville Friday, November 7, and met with Elders Lindsay and Lawrence to plan my work while in the city. It was decided that I should speak to the white church Sabbath morning and the colored church in the afternoon. My heart was made glad as I went to the church Sabbath morning. I was greeted by the old faces I had met before, and also by a good number of new ones. The Lord came very near in our service, and gave a rich blessing to those present who were seeking for his Holy Spirit.

I also met a good number of new members at the colored church. Elder Lawrence has baptized twenty-four since the 15th of August. It was planned to have baptismal service for the white church on Sunday, and it was a good day for the Louisville Church as sixteen went forward to follow in the foot-steps of the Lord.

Business meetings were held at both churches. Plans were laid to push the magazine work in the white church so as to be able to meet our payments.

At the colored church plans were laid to secure money by pledges and cash so that we could begin work at once on the new building. This was a successful meeting, and work will begin on the building November 17. The brethren took hold of the financial part of the work in a very earnest way and we are thankful for what we see can and will be accomplished.

November 13 I went to Irvington and met with Brother Howard's family. We held one service and a few outsiders were present, also Brother Cralle from Louisville. I enjoyed this visit very much, and as I go on to visit other believers I solicit your prayers that God may direct in all the plans that shall be laid.

B. W. BROWN.

"BRETHREN and sisters who have long claimed to believe the truth, I would ask you, have your practises been in harmony with your light? with your privileges? with the opportunities granted of heaven?"

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Louisiana Conference — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Am't for year, 20c per wk.	Amount due to Nov. 11	Amount paid to Nov. 11	Amount short
267	\$2776.80	\$2403.00	\$1630.68	\$ 772.30

Louisiana Mission — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

76	\$ 790.40	\$ 658.66	\$ 81.10	\$ 577.56
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Alabama Conference — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Am't for year, 20c per wk.	Amount due to Nov. 11	Amount paid to Nov. 11	Amount short
195	\$2028.00	\$1755.00	\$1353.57	\$ 401.43

Alabama Mission — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

200	\$2080.00	\$1733.33	\$ 403.50	\$1329.83
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News Items

ELDER FRANK reports a good attendance at his meetings in Sugartown.

Elder Lowry is now assisting the brethren near Arcadia in the erection of a church building.

Elder Parmele has returned from his tour among the churches, and will remain at the office until after the committee meeting.

Elder C. H. Bliss and wife, of Illinois, arrived in New Orleans the 12th, and will spend the winter here. We welcome them into our midst, and feel assured that their stay with us will be a blessing to our work here.

Brother R. Hook Jr., was a most welcome visitor to our office last week. He came this way while returning from the Florida camp-meeting, and we seized the opportunity to have the tract society books audited while he was here.

Owing to change in the date of our colporteurs' institute, and the union conference meeting coming earlier than was anticipated, Elder Parmele has been obliged to change his itinerary. His revised schedule is as follows: Arcadia, December 6; Shreveport, December 13; Mansfield, December 16; Lena, December 20; Marthaville, December 22.

Sabbath-School Report, Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1913

School	Mem.	Av. Att.	Don.	13th Sab. Off.
New Orleans	70	49	\$ 104 06	\$ 19 33
Camp-meeting			30 00	
Shreveport	40	29	26 94	8 29
De Ridder	20	15	25 40	7 56
Lake Charles	16	15	21 89	1 64
Lake Arthur	8	7	17 67	2 00
Welsh	21	18	13 80	2 40
New Orleans (Colored)	77	42	13 10	2 76
Hammond	16	13	12 48	2 60
Alexandria	10	8	12 07	93
Natalbany	23	10	9 35	72
Home Department	24	24	7 73	3 00
Norwood	12	7	5 80	1 20
Lena Station	19	17	5 46	2 25
Hobart	11	8	5 01	1 25
Jena			2 35	1 00
Leesville	20		2 00	1 00
Shreveport (Colored)	8	6	1 50	11
Newellton (Colored)	19	13	1 05	75

Totals 414 281 \$ 317 66 \$ 58 79

MRS. LAURA BROWN.

News Notes

PROFESSOR RYAN was with us on Thursday of last week, visiting the school, and looking after other matters. He seemed to be well pleased with the school. He contemplates making a ten days' trip in the conference soon. We heartily welcome him.

Elder Miller is holding meetings at Borden Springs. He reports a good interest. On the first Sunday night one person took his stand for the truth; others are expected to do so later.

R. I. Keate has closed his work at Carbon Hill, and is now at Elkwood. We are sure the Elkwood Church will enjoy Brother Keate's visit among them.

Many are taking hold of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign with courage and zeal. Good reports are coming in. Up to the present time there has been \$115 received. If we do our part on the \$100,000 we should receive \$298.76. We have until Christmas to work. Let us not think of stopping before our part is done. The largest amount yet received for one paper is \$25. This was from a party in Birmingham. If you need more papers, order them at once.

The church at Ashford has recently been encouraged by a visit from Elder Bellinger. His labors there were greatly appreciated. A good tithe was received from there this week.

Brother M. L. Wilson visited the Carbon Hill Church last Sabbath. During the week he has been visiting a worker at Demopolis.

Several of the colporteurs have been delivering books the past two weeks. The total delivery of books in the conference for the month of October was \$1,893.

The office has been provided with a new neostyle, which will greatly facilitate its work, especially in sending out the monthly letter to the churches.

Elder G. E. Peters is making a tour among the colored churches in this mission field. He reports a good interest in his meetings at Pensacola, Fla.

The thirteenth Sabbath offerings for the past quarter amount to \$125.98, compared with \$71.09 for the quarter before, as reported by the Sabbath-school secretary, Sister Helen M. Keate.

A special effort is being made by some of the churches in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign with the solicitor's envelopes. In this way persons are able to make an offering to the work of foreign missions without letting their right hand know what their left hand is doing. We expect to see an increase in the amounts raised by these churches.

S. D. HARTWELL, Secretary Alabama Conference.

Tennessee River Conference

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PROF. A. N. ATTEBERRY, Principal, Hazel Academy, Hazel Ky.

Tennessee River Conference — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership Am't for year, 20c per wk.	Amount due to Nov. 11	Amount paid to Nov. 11	Amount short
538	\$5595.00	\$4822.00	\$2508.43
			\$2313.57

Tennessee River Mission — Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

109	\$1133.60	\$ 944.66	\$ 98.43	\$ 846.23
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Report of Sabbath-School Convention Held at the Nashville Memorial Church, Sabbath, Nov. 8, 1913

(Concluded)

AFTERNOON SESSION

THE first paper on the afternoon program was by Miss M. Bessie DeGraw, the subject being "Personal Work of Teachers and Officers." A few of the many practical suggestions brought out were as follows:—

The Sabbath-school should be a school with proper facilities for carrying out its work. Teachers in the Sabbath-school should be teachers,—those who have the gift of teaching. Those who are called upon to teach in the Sabbath-school should study methods of teaching.

The following is quoted from this paper:—

"My subject is 'Personal Work of Teachers and Officers.' I believe in personal work, as you will see. The personal work needs to be done first for the teachers and officers themselves. When they themselves become thorough teachers, then they will have a hold upon their students that will be rewarded. Our Sabbath-schools should make Bible students. In order for them to do that the teachers should be Bible Students and Bible teachers. The students themselves must learn to study, study the Scriptures. They must learn to recite. They should learn to tell Bible stories. They should learn to use their maps. They should become apt in the handling of the Bible.

"It is a wonderful privilege to stand before a class of young people as instructor in the Scriptures. May God give us grace, and not only grace but energy and grit and determination enough to make the personal preparation that is necessary to become thorough teachers of the Scriptures."

Following this, Brother G. H. Curtis read a paper prepared by Elder C. P. Boliman on the question, "What is the Proper Use of Helps? and Should the Lesson Sheet be Used in the Class?" We quote from it as follows:—

"The proper use of helps is to elevate one's view-point and thus extend his horizon; but the view-point should never be so high as to cause the teacher to lose sight of the lesson and see only that which is at best but remotely connected with it. It is the lesson that is to be studied, mastered, and taught, and not something quite aside from it, though possibly suggested by it.

Discarding the use of the lesson pamphlet entirely in the class is a fad. It is a plan that works well enough in some cases, but is of less than doubtful value in others. Too often the teacher who does not bring his lesson pamphlet

into the class, teaches, not the lesson for the day but something of his own manufacture, and generally not nearly so good as the printed lesson."

A talk on "Daily Study of the Sabbath-school Lesson" was then given by Elder S. E. Wight. He said: "Our first business in this world is to study the Scriptures and learn what the Bible says. If we would study our lesson every day, we must have the texts ever before us, or within easy access."

He then told how a man who worked in a saw-mill learned all the texts in his Sabbath-school lesson. This man wrote a text on a shingle, and then tacked this up near the place he worked, so that whenever he looked up his eyes would rest upon that text. When he had committed one text to memory, he would put up another, and in this way by the end of the week he had learned all the texts in his lesson.

Elder Wight further said, "I write out the texts and put them in my vest pocket.

"I believe in the first place we ought to divide the lesson into four or five parts. If there are twelve texts, take two texts a day. Then when the end of the week comes you will have learned your lesson.

"We should study to make ourselves plain. I believe we should have a well-defined idea of what we are going to say. We ought to have the outline of the lesson in mind. It is a good plan to write out the lesson, as we can often see it clearer in that way.

"A great deal can be accomplished by putting in our spare moments. By spending ten minutes a day when I was going to school, I was enabled to complete the reading of many large books.

"I believe we as a people ought to carry on our work systematically so that we can accomplish what we have to do in the short time we have in this world."

In closing his remarks he said: "The Sabbath-school is the church at study; and how many of us are there who do not need to study the Bible?"

Following this, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," was sung by a mixed quartet.

The subject, "The Importance of Home Department Work in Our Sabbath-schools," was ably presented by Mrs. J. W. Norwood. She said: "The object of the Home Department is to extend the influence of the Sabbath-school to all those who can not come to it and to enlist them in a systematic study of the Bible at home. It might be called an outside adjunct or annex, and is just as much a department of the school as in the primary, intermediate or senior department.

"By the formation of this department, the isolated, the feeble, the aged, those confined at home in attendance upon the sick or by the care of young children, or those who for any reason are unable to attend the school, may become members of the school and share its blessings.

"The very first thing to do is to want a Home Department. This is half the battle. One writer has suggested these three rules. 1. Understand the work before you undertake it. 2. Undertake the work when you understand it. 3. Make it your business to succeed in the work and stick to the business. Observe these three rules in the order in which they are given and you can defy Satan and all his hosts.

SOME DON'TS TO THINK ABOUT

"Don't think you can't do it. Think you can.

"Don't stop to argue about it. Go and do it.

"Don't do too much talking. A little walking will take you much faster and farther.

"Don't say, 'Our school doesn't need a Home Department. Everybody goes to Sabbath-school around here.' They don't.

"Don't quit before you begin."

• Elder C. A. Hansen and Brother Fred Robert then set forth the need of the Home Department in Nashville and vicinity, after which the following motion was made by Elder S. E. Wight:—

“That it is the concensus of opinion of this body that the Sabbath-schools represented in this church to-day encourage the forming of Home Departments for the benefit of those who do not attend Sabbath-school.”

This was seconded and unanimously carried.

The next question, “How May Teachers Fit Themselves for More Effective Work?” was presented by Mrs. E. H. Rees. This was answered under four heads:—

“1. Communion with God. The teacher should go to the fountain for water. The divine Author should be our first interpreter. We are to use our minds and open our hearts that the entrance of God’s Word may give light.

“2. As a student. Our minds must be enlarged that we may have the proper realization of the things pertaining to eternal life. To accomplish this we must take time to study. A few minutes daily, if used with system, will accomplish much. One writer has said, ‘Knowledge is power’; but it is our home-grown knowledge that is meant by this power.

“3. Personalizing the truth and building up the teacher’s personality. If we are going to be worth-while teachers we must personalize the truth. This means that we shall not only have an intellectual grasp of the truth, but that it must possess our feelings and our will and so influence our choices and determinations. Thus we will strengthen every fiber and function of our personality. As the truth grows in us more and more, our strength of personality will be developed.

“4. By wise planning. Wise plans, like good schedules, are conducive to progress. They prevent waste of steam and loss of time on the way, and sad disappointment in the end. Schemes of teaching should be flexible, never rigid and stereotyped. There is no reason for getting no farther than the second verse of the lesson. Somebody is guilty of train wrecking. A teacher who plans well will not reach Kadesh Barnea and then take forty minutes wilderness journey, only to arrive at the same point when the bell rings, having merely a series of disconnected events to characterize the general period of stagnation.

“The teacher’s cry is ‘On to Canaan,’ and a good plan will aid him in the leading of his educational band into the land of milk and honey.

“Teaching is an art; therefore the teacher should strive to master it. There are three ways: First, by observation; second, by practise; third, by reading good books on teaching.

“As all denominations have realized the need of more efficient teachers, we find many valuable books on this subject. After reading such we can not help but become better teachers. This denomination has ‘Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work,’ which is very valuable; but still we need books which will aid us in knowing how to put into effect the principles there enunciated. And so we have the ‘Teachers’ Reading Course which provides a source from which every teacher and prospective teacher can obtain instruction tending to increase their efficiency.

“We have heard objections made to these books because some are written by those outside of the denomination; but we can not afford to be so narrow-minded as that. If we stop and think we will realize that the writers of these books have had to go to histories and other books for help, and as I heard one of the leading brethren remark at camp-meeting, ‘We are still using Webster’s Dictionary and suppose we will for some time.’”

The closing remarks of the Chairman were as follows:—

“I am sure you will agree with me that some helpful sug-

gestions have been brought out by these questions. I trust you will take hold of some method to strengthen your school.

“I am thankful for the interest and cooperation that has been given. I want to thank you in advance for the same cooperation in the future. May we strengthen the work, not only in Sabbath-school lines, but in all the work of the conference.”

Colporteurs’ Report for the Southern Union Conference

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KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
J E Miller	D&R	37	17	\$61 00	\$15 75	\$76 75	\$15 25
Jas Hickman	D&R	32	18	62 00	75	62 75	
P M Winkler	BF	35	34	51 00		51 00	
Mrs T O Bivin	MISC	29	43	25 70		25 70	
O G Carnes	MISC	48	17	19 50		19 50	10 00
R O Diehl	PG	15	1	4 00	4 20	8 20	
M Wheeler	D&R	31					25 00
Totals		227	130	\$223 20	\$20 70	\$243 90	\$50 25

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

J W Pine	PP&F	27	29	\$48 50	\$ 1 25	\$49 75	\$
F Peabody	PP&F	31	27	43 00	3 50	46 50	
I J Reed	BF	20	16	24 00	35	24 35	
C W R Brown	BR	44	5	16 00	3 50	19 50	
M B Wilson	BR	60	2	6 00	10 60	16 60	
Dora Borges	PP&F	5	9	13 50	50	14 00	
Edna StClair	PP&F	5	4	8 00	1 50	9 50	
J Harzman	PP&F	47			2 50	2 50	45 50
Chas Cramer	PP&F	60			2 00	2 00	104 00
Totals		299	92	\$159 00	\$25 70	\$184 70	\$149 50

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

C F Dart	so/P	42	18	\$27 00	\$ 2 75	\$29 75	\$ 1 25
Mamie Moore	D&R&BS	27	20	28 25		28 25	6 50
R H Hazelton	GC		11	23 00	3 00	26 00	2 00
C G Bishop	BF	28	22	22 50	3 25	25 75	
J S Moore*	so/P	80	6	8 75	15 50	24 25	69 50
Berdon Hampton	BF	32	15	22 00	50	22 50	
A C Williman	GC	40	6	18 00	4 00	22 00	
G C Hinshaw*	BF	50			17 50	17 50	60 50
Sibyl Strawhun	BF	35	10	10 00	25	10 25	
Rebecca Moore	BF	36	6	6 00	75	6 75	
Mrs D E Whitmore	BF	14	7	6 50		6 50	75
C H Chenault	BF&D&R	51					83 00
J N Womack	BF	48			1 00	1 00	77 00
Totals		483	121	\$173 00	\$48 50	\$220 50	\$300 50

Grand Totals1009 343 \$554 20 \$94 90 \$649 10 \$500 25

* Two Weeks.

Magazine Agents’ Report, Week Ending Nov. 8

Agent	No.	Value
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE		
Mrs R M Ross	300	\$ 30 00
Milton Jones	200	20 00
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE		
C W R Brown	3	30
Totals	503	\$ 50 30

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Harvest Ingathering

ALL the conference presidents have something encouraging to say with regard to the work in their conferences.

Elder Wiest writes that the Mississippi Conference has almost raised its full quota for missions with the Harvest Ingathering number of the *Review*. This is certainly a very encouraging report.

Elder A. L. Miller, president of the Alabama Conference, secured one donation of \$25. Louisiana and Kentucky are pushing to the front with their faithful work, and from many of their churches come encouraging reports.

The Tennessee River Conference has some very enthusiastic people who have set out to raise large sums. Four members in one church have undertaken to raise \$115 each. Just watch this paper and the Tennessee River Conference news items for a report of what is accomplished. This is the time when all must put forth a special effort in order to reach the goal. This is a good way to swell our foreign mission offerings.

This week, Elder Rees, treasurer of the Southern Union Conference, sent a check for over \$1,700 to the foreign mission treasury. We are sure our brethren and sisters throughout the field will rejoice with us in our being able to send such a nice sum of money to our brethren in foreign fields who are carrying the message to the people who sit in darkness.

S. E. WIGHT.

To Contributors

AGAIN we find ourselves under the necessity of asking our contributors to be more careful in preparing their manuscript. Some of the matter sent us for publication is closely written with pencil and is not easy to read. After setting one such piece of copy recently, our linotype operator indulged in the following protest on his own account:—

"To whom it may concern: Manuscript to be set in type such as the last two pages of the above is undesirable. The lines are too close to allow of any preparation, let alone additions or changes necessary. Besides being exasperating to the one attempting to set it in type, fifty per cent more time than necessary is required to do so with an added percentage

of errors. It may be said to be primarily the fault of the author, which it is; but as 'mistakes which we pass, become our mistakes,' so botched work passed by us becomes our own. If our institutions can not have standards equal to those of outside institutions, let us have them as high as we can. The cost of such work when set twice on the machine is greater than it would be to copy it once and then set it once."

Now, the editor can not take time to copy bad manuscript. Manuscript must go either to the machine or to the wastebasket substantially as it comes to our table, so far as legibility is concerned. Technical errors we will correct if room is given us in which to do it; but where handwriting none too good at the outset degenerates into an almost illegible scribble on the last page or two of the manuscript, and is closely crowded, presumably to save paper, both the time and the patience of the editor, proof-readers and linotype operator are taxed to the utmost. Brethren, please be careful.

Notice

It has been decided to hold the next session of the Southern Union Conference in Nashville, Tenn. This meeting will be held in the Fatherland Street church.

A committee on entertainment has been appointed to provide for the comfort of those who will visit the city to attend this meeting. All who expect to attend this meeting should write to Elder J. W. Norwood, 511 Cole Bldg., Nashville, Tenn. as he is the chairman of this committee. S. E. WIGHT.

Southern Missionary Society

THE fifth biennial meeting of the constituency of the Southern Missionary Society, a body incorporated under the laws of the State of Tennessee, will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church on Fatherland Street, Jan. 13, 1914, at 9 A. M., for the election of officers and such other business as should legally come before this meeting.

The members of the Executive Committee of the Southern Union Conference are the board of this society, and under the statutes of the State of Tennessee each member is entitled to one vote either in person or by proxy.

(Signed) S. E. WIGHT, President,
E. H. REES, Secretary.

Meeting of the Southern Union Conference

THE first meeting of the sixth biennial session of the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church on Fatherland Street, at Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 6, 1914, at 10 A. M.

Each conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization and one additional delegate for each fifty of its organized church membership.

(Signed) S. E. WIGHT, President,
E. H. REES, Secretary.

Southern Union Conference Association

NOTICE is hereby given that the fourth biennial session of the constituency of the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Seventh-day Adventist church on Fatherland Street, Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 13, 1914, at 10 A. M., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing biennial term and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

(Signed) S. E. WIGHT, President,
M. F. KNOX, Secretary.

Dated Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 18, 1913.