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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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God's Heroes

Nor the wise of earth God chooseth,
Not the great or good,
But the humble ones and willing,
With his power imbued.

They alone are victors,
They alone are great,
Who though weak, yet, armed in God's might,
Learn to conquer fate.

— Pearl Waggoner.

General

Educational Sabbaths

Two educational Sabbaths were appointed at the last council. The first of these falls on March 7, and the second on August 8. The object of these educational Sabbaths is to give our people an opportunity to know more of the principles of Christian education and to become better informed as to the growth and needs of all lines of educational work.

For the first Sabbath, March 7, readings are to be prepared and sent to all the church elders. The readings for March 7 will be published in the March issue of the magazine *Christian Education*. A copy of this magazine will be mailed to all church elders in time to be read on that day. The readings will speak of our children and their care, and the church schools and their place, growth, and needs.

As a people we have undertaken a work of great magnitude. A definite message is given us to carry to every nation; and, in carrying forward this program, every available resource is necessary for its accomplishment. We are not only called to give our lives and means to this undertaking, but we are also called to dedicate our children and educate them for the Master's service. These children form a very considerable asset to the future development of our work. The entire enrolment of our schools, including those in non-Christian lands, for 1913 numbers 26,322. To promote the spiritual welfare of so many, and to seek to train them and many others who will enter our schools, is a task which concerns all our church-members. It is, therefore, fitting that two Sabbaths each year should be devoted to the saving and educating of this great army of recruits. We, therefore, urge that our churches everywhere observe March 7 as an educational Sabbath. In many churches it may be possible to have two sessions on that day devoted to the interests of Christian education.

This occasion will offer an excellent opportunity for our ministers to preach on the subject of education, laying before our people the object of our schools and the great work before us in saving our children and young people and prepar-

ing them for places of usefulness in the work. The cause of present truth needs the whole-hearted service of all the children within the denomination. We need to keep the Lord's work and the training and education necessary to become successful workers constantly before them. We trust that our first educational Sabbath, on March 7, may prove a great spiritual uplift to each church where it is carried on, and be a means of drawing the hearts of the parents toward their children and helping all to realize more fully the responsibility that rests upon us in the cause of Christian education.

J. L. SHAW.

Religious Liberty Day

SABBATH, February 28, is Religious Liberty day. A special program has been prepared and sent to the church elders for this occasion. If any have not received it, be sure to write to your tract society secretary for it. We are praying that this day may prove to be a great revival and spiritual victory to all of us.

The issues which are facing this people and God's cause call for fasting and a great awakening. The forces of evil are mustering strength, and are stealthily laying their snares to entrap the loyal commandment keepers. The gathering storm is soon to break upon our heads.

I received word from two of the committeemen in Congress who have the three Sunday bills in charge, stating that they expect to vote favorably on these bills when they have the opportunity. The other members have been non-committal as to what they expect to do.

The chairman of the House Committee, who has two of the Sunday bills in charge, notified me that the committee intends to consider these bills soon, and that they will grant us a hearing shortly.

I have received word also that many of our State legislatures have introduced Sunday bills during the past month. Some of these bills are very rigid. One thing is very noticeable in all the recent Sunday bills. They no longer contain exemption clauses for those who keep another day. Our hope must be in God for the future.

But we owe these men a debt. Many are honest. Some prominent men of influence are urging, "Keep up your noble fight for the cause of freedom." But we still have a great work before us. God says that we must testify before kings, nations, and many peoples, and warn them concerning the dangers which face them as well as us.

We must be more aggressive than we have been. We must meet the issues which face us all over this country. One way you can help us to make our efforts effective this year is to give a liberal offering on February 28 for the Religious Liberty work. The local, union, and North American Division conferences each receive one-third of the offering. The offering on Religious Liberty day supplies us with the only means with which to carry on this line of work for a whole

year. Can we not spare one dollar and consecrate it to this important work? Come prepared to give all you can on February 28, and let an earnest prayer accompany the gift.

C. S. LONGACRE.

Luther's Sabbath Hymns

MARTIN LUTHER "acknowledges the primitive divine appointment of the Sabbath, and his hymns, in their exaltation of the Sabbath, are worthy" of a reprint. In 1524 he wrote:—

"Hallow the day which God hath blest,
That thou and all thy house may rest;
Keep hand and heart from labor free,
That God may have his work in thee."

In 1525, again:—

"Honor My name in word and deed,
And call on Me in time of need;
Keep holy too the Sabbath-day,
That work in thee I also may."

—Quoted in "The Sabbath," by W. W. Everts, p. 134.

"Pray Through"

If clouds of darkness hang heavy and dense across your pathway, and the form and face of your leader are obscured, pray through, pray through. It can be done. Though Satan, the prince of darkness, throw his dark shadow across your pathway, over your Christian experience, and cause the future to loom with failure and defeat, pray through.

Though your own weaknesses and past failures seem to spell defeat large, pray through. Pray until the darkness breaks and scatters. Pray until out of weakness you are made strong, pray until the light of God shines into your heart, and hope and gladness take the place of despair and gloom. Pray through, until the heart is cleansed, and the power of sin broken, until you know that its hold upon you is loosened. Pray until you feel it give way. Pray until you are on top, and the mists and sins and rubbish are beneath you. Pray until you can gain triumph and success through Christ.

"Men ought always to pray," and pray through, "and not to faint." Keep praying until victory comes. "Ye let go of the arm of the Lord too soon." Pray through.

It is when fighting our hardest battles with self and Satan, with darkness and weakness, on our knees alone with God, in the closet or in the woods, that faith is in most lively exercise. Pray and believe. Grasp the largest promises and hold them until they are yours in experience. "Sin shall not have dominion over you." You are to triumph. "All things are possible to him that believeth." Press your case. Pray through. Listen to no suggestions of defeat and failure, resist the darkness. Hold fast your confidence and it will increase. There is victory for every soul who is determined to have it. Stay alone with Christ and angels and the Spirit of God until the joy of heaven and the strength of God is imparted to you through the righteousness of Christ. Pray through.

You are defeated when you decide not to pray through, when you listen to the suggestion that "It is no use." It is use. It is victory and success. It is peace and power, and triumph and blessed rest in active warfare. It means deliverance from all your enemies, within and without. God lives and hears and answers prayer; prove it. Pray through, until your hand is in his, until your weakness is united to

his might, your foolishness to his wisdom, until all Heaven is on your side, and "they that be with us are more than they that be with them." Pray until every particle of doubt of God's goodness and love, until every suggestion of infidelity is banished from your soul, and confidence, assurance, and love take their place, and you are sweetly comforted of God, and assured of his full and free pardon of all past sins and failures and that he puts them away from before himself and you, to remember them no more forever. And believe that it gives him the joy of the most loving of fathers to press you to his heart of love and whisper in your ear the sweetest of assurances that you are his child, a child of faith, a prince of his household, and that you and he together are more than a match for the combined powers of earth and hell, and that you are to triumph gloriously, to the honor and glory of God and your Deliverer.

Pray through, clear through, never surrender. The battle is yours, and eternity the reward. G. B. STARR.

Items from the Self-Supporting Schools

MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR JASPERSON, former students of Madison, have been teaching the past year in the Cowee Mountain School near Leatherman, N. C. Brother Jasperson has a class of mountain boys in carpentry, and with them he is building cottages on the school farm. Mrs. Jasperson is spending six hours a week teaching sewing to the girls. They have an enrolment of thirty-seven this year, and write that in addition to their school work they are spending a number of hours out among the people. They find this a very important feature of their work. Farm work begins early in that community, and the children are not accustomed to a long term of school. They plan to follow the regular school term with a night school. They write that among their students they have some of the very best young people in that part of the country.

Brother James McLaughlin was a student in the Madison School for about two years, taking the nurses' course here. Last fall he went to Tullahoma, where he is associated with Mr. and Mrs. John Myers. He writes an interesting letter in regard to the pioneer work being done there. They are building up the farm, improving the condition of the cottage in which they live, and in the meantime doing considerable neighborhood work. Brother McLaughlin is canvassing for "Daniel and the Revelation," and is scattering tracts and other literature. A number of people are already interested. The public school in that community is held from July to December, and it is the plan to carry on school work during the months when the children are not otherwise provided for. Brother McLaughlin expresses his thankfulness for the transformation that was made in his own life as the result of a two years' stay in the Madison School.

A number of inquiries have been received in regard to the next annual convention of self-supporting workers. This will be held at the close of the coming summer term the last days of August. Each year the convention has been stronger and better than the preceding one, and this year definite plans are being laid to make it the most intensely practical meeting yet held. A number of teachers in the highland schools have written that they are already planning their exhibits. Some of these will come from the school room, some from the manual training classes, and some will represent the products of the farm and the shop.

During the recent short course, Brother George Wallace and his class in carpentry began work on the two four-room cottages on the school farm at Madison. These are now nearing completion. A number of new students are planning to

enter the school at the beginning of the spring term. Considerable work has been done on the farm during the winter. Progress has been made in fence building also. The Rural Sanitarium has all its rooms full and a waiting list of patients. A year ago Governor Hooper spent the recess in the legislature here, and this year he has been a member of the sanitarium family for a week. M. BESSIE DEGRAW.

Sabbath Reform in Egypt

"AND ye make them *rest* from their burdens." Ex. 5:5.
 "And ye make them *playe* and let their worke stonde."—
Tyndale's Translation.

"And ye have cause them to *cease* from their burdens!"—
Young's Translation.

The same original word, *shabath*, here rendered "rest," is translated "keep sabbath" in the following texts:—

"Then shall the land *keep* [margin, rest] a sabbath," etc. Lev. 25:2.

"As long as she [the land] lay desolate *she kept sabbath.*"
 2 Chron. 36:21.

Speaking of the Israelites in the Egyptian bondage at the time Moses and Aaron were sent to them with a message from the Lord, Mr. W. W. Everts, D. D., says:—

"The first act of rebellion against their oppressors seemed to have been turning from their imposed tasks to hallow the Sabbath. Pharaoh complained to Moses that the people wanted to 'sabbatize.'"—"*The Sabbath*," by W. W. Everts, p. 22, *New York, 1885.*

"In their bondage the Israelites had to some extent lost the knowledge of God's law, and they had departed from its precepts. The Sabbath had been generally disregarded, and the exactions of their taskmasters made its observance apparently impossible. But Moses had shown his people that obedience to God was the first condition of deliverance; and the efforts made to restore the observance of the Sabbath had come to the notice of their oppressors."—"Patriarchs and Prophets," by Mrs. E. G. White, p. 260.

A. L. MANOUS.

From Cause to Effect

MENTAL BREAKDOWN

"THE curse causeless shall not come." Prov. 26:2.
 "Diligent study is not the principal cause of the breaking down of the mental powers. The main cause is improper diet, irregular meals, and lack of physical exercise. Irregular hours for eating and sleeping sap the brain force."—
Mrs. E. G. White in Pacific Union College Calendar, 1910-1911, p. 84.

The First Day of the Literal Week

"AND the evening and the morning were the first day [of the week*]." Gen. 1:5.

"This was not only the first day of the world, but the first day of the week."—*Matthew Henry's Note on Gen. 1:5.*

"The enumeration of the days of the week commenced at Sunday. Saturday was last or seventh, and was the Hebrew Sabbath, or day of rest."—*Watson's "Biblical and Theological Dictionary," Article, "Week."*

"AWAKE, awake, before it is everlastingly too late."

*The phrase, "of the week," occurs eight times in the New Testament, viz., Matt. 28:1; Mark 16:2, 9; Luke 24:1; John 20:1, 19; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2.

Our Publishing House

Home Office News

SALES report for week ending Feb. 14, 1914: Total number bound volumes, 8,050; *Watchman*, 3,671.

Brother Pierce returned from the Southwest last Thursday evening, bringing his family with him. He is busy getting located and taking hold again of the affairs of the Home Office. He is looking well and is evidently of good courage in the work.

The chapel service Monday morning was conducted by Brother Knox. He made some very appropriate and encouraging remarks on the eighty-sixth and eighty-seventh Psalms, which he read.

Brother Pierce, who was present, occupied a little time in giving a brief report of his recent visit to the Southwest. They have prospects of a good crop this year in Texas and as the field force is growing and the colporteurs all courageous, the outlook for the work was never better. Brother Pierce read a very encouraging letter from Brother A. F. Harrison. He stated that the January report, which he was just sending in to the department, was the best January report he had ever made.

Brother Pierce said that he had turned over the affairs of the Fort Worth Branch to the new manager, Brother J. H. Wilcox, who was taking hold of the work well.

Brother Pierce also had the privilege of visiting the West Texas Tract Society office and also the office at Keene. Everywhere he found them of good courage and he feels sure that the Southwest will do even better work this year than they have done in the past.

There is a spirit of courage and good cheer in the force at the Home Office. We believe there has been a growth in spirituality and a corresponding increase in devotion to the cause and a deeper determination on the part of each to do faithfully his part in finishing the work in this generation.

C. P. B.

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Sabbath, February 28, is Religious Liberty day. The collection to be taken upon that day is for this branch of the work. This should not be overlooked.

News Items

(Left over from last week.)

At this writing the institute is in progress at Borden Springs. We can not yet say how many will enter the field as a result of this institute. There is a good prospect of five, and probably more a little later.

As a result of the president's monthly letter for January two of the isolated Sabbath-keepers sent in their twenty cents per week for missions for the months of December and January.

G. H. Curtis, the auditor of the Southern Union Conference, has been in Birmingham during the past week auditing the books of the Alabama Conference and tract society.

It has been decided to hold the institute for the colored colporteurs at Montgomery. The time of this institute will be announced later.

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It is strongly urged that the offering for Religious Liberty work be not overlooked on the last Sabbath in this month. Wherever consistent the program prepared for that day should be followed.

Field Work

I HAVE just returned to the office from visiting in the central part of the State. I spent four days at Ford, and while the weather was not favorable for the outsiders to attend, yet we had a profitable time with the church-members. We held two meetings each day, and the Lord came very near as all sought for victory over every besetting sin. Plans were laid to organize a missionary society and all expressed themselves as ready to labor for one soul each this year, so that the church-membership may be doubled. This is a good plan and we hope all our people will take hold of God determined to do this work quickly. We should expect great things of God, as we are in the finishing of the work.

I next went to Winchester, where Brother Sharp met me and took me to his home sixteen and one-half miles distant. I had a pleasant visit with this family and held one public service, which a number attended. I was urged to return and hold more meetings in this place.

We are now in the institute work, and a good spirit prevails. There are twelve men who expect to go from this meeting to take up the work of selling the printed page.

B. W. BROWN.

(Left over from last week.)

SINCE my last report I have visited with the Grove Church and other places. We held a four days' meeting at Grove. The outside attendance was good, and several seemed to be considering the truth in a careful way. The church-members

were strengthened by the meetings and we believe they will do more faithful work. Two or three from that church will attend the institute. The yearly election was held and the new officers will no doubt push the work forward.

I next went to Yamacraw, where I met with the brethren at that place. We held one public meeting. I was glad to meet with the believers there. We expect Brother Jefferson Hickman to attend the institute.

I next visited Brother Bartlett's family, who live at Milner. They were of good courage and seemed to appreciate my visit.

I then went to Lexington, where I met with the colored church and we had a spiritual meeting together. At the close of the sermon, Brother Brice made a few remarks, and asked how many would endeavor, by God's help, to win one soul for Christ this year, and all stood to their feet. I was pleased to see this response and I am sure that every one who knows the message in the Kentucky Conference should seek God earnestly to see at least one soul brought to Christ this year by their efforts. While in Lexington I visited at the home of Brother Meyers, who was confined to his bed from a slight operation.

I am glad to say that the work is progressing all over the conference and God is ready to do a greater work for us this year than ever before. Let all pray for power to win souls.

B. W. BROWN.

News Notes

(Left over from last week.)

BROTHER O. A. Dow is now holding meetings at Blaine. Sister Dow remained at Carter to follow up the work with Bible readings.

Brother Richard Green, of Nebo, sent in a letter of courage, also a check for Harvest Ingathering money.

Sister J. A. Scott, of Owensboro, has ordered some tracts. She is anxious for the people in that city to know of our truth.

Brother C. D. Minnis, of Louisville, sends in a remittance for Harvest Ingathering papers that the colored church have put out in the past few weeks. It is not too late to solicit funds for missions, and it is to be hoped that all the papers will be used and not allowed to lay in some closet or corner. These papers cost about four cents each. If you have any left please use them.

Sunday night, February 1, a home missionary society was organized at Nicholasville, with Brother James Hickman as leader. Let other companies and churches organize at once for active service in soul saving.

Brother Harrison, of Covington, sends in a remittance for tithe and tells of a number who desire to study this truth.

Statement of Funds Received at Office of the Kentucky Conference, Fourth Quarter, 1913

Church	Memb.	Tithe	Wk. Off.	S. S. Off.	An. Off.	Miss.	H. Ing.	Total
Bowling Green	18	\$ 41 07	\$ 1 50	\$ 6 86	\$ 13 44	\$ 2 35	\$ 9 83	\$ 75 05
Conference Church	50	405 90	146 90	74 32	19 00	103 65	61 39	811 16
Ford	23	39 50		10 98	5 00	11 00	3 25	69 73
Grove	30	67 62		13 32	1 66		1 12	83 72
Hartford	12	76 86		1 63	1 85			80 34
Lexington	10	49 56	45	6 88			11 80	68 69
Lockport	14	3 00		2 63		5 00		10 63
Locust Branch	5	4 87		34				5 21
Louisville	94	622 21		181 07	8 45	8 50	75 86	896 09
Sand Hill	19	21 62	1 33	4 37				27 32
Totals	275	\$1332 21	\$ 150 18	\$ 302 40	\$ 49 40	\$ 130 50	\$ 163 25	\$2127 94

S. F. LOVE, Treasurer.

Miss Anna Hornung writes of her work in Louisville and states that one of her readers has united with the church.

Brother W. H. White writes from Badger, where he is holding meetings, that his attendance is so large that the house is packed to the door. He also states that he found one woman, whom we had never heard of, who has kept the Sabbath for seventeen years.

Brother R. O. Diehl sends in the tithe and offerings from the Grove Church for the month of January. Thirty-five children are now attending the church school there.

Sister Guest, one of our colored sisters in Louisville, died January 30. She was an active church worker.

Elder Lindsay writes that six persons have been added to the church in Louisville since the union conference. He is expecting the Lord to give them one hundred souls this year in that city, and we believe by prayer and faith and labor it will be done.

Brother Howard, of Irvington, reports two new Sabbath-keepers as a result of their work. He also orders more books. He has learned that our books and papers do bring people to see the truth.

Every Adventist should read the *Protestant Magazine*. The February number gives an account of the Protestant meeting held in Washington where several church pastors spoke upon the subject of Protestantism. You would do well to order a supply to sell or give away to your neighbors.

Have you read of the Sunday bills before Congress? The dragon is at work to destroy men's liberty. We ought to have a large offering on February 28 as that is the day set by the General Conference as Religious Liberty day. We need the money to enlighten the people who are in darkness. Do not forget the date, February 28.

Louisiana Conference

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Church officers are especially urged to give due attention to the offering to be taken up for the Religious Liberty work on the last Sabbath in this month. This should not be neglected.

Effect of Louisiana Day

(Left over from last week.)

MOVED by the Spirit of God, as prayer was offered on "Louisiana day" in behalf of the work in our conference, one sister resolved to donate her diamond wedding ring, which is worth about \$75, according to the world's rating. This ring had long been laid aside, and is now to be put to use in helping to carry the message of truth. Are there not others of our sisters who ought to follow this example?

At the building of the sanctuary, "They came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments. And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing-hearted, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered offered an offer-

ing of gold unto the Lord." Ex. 35: 21, 22. This is an excellent use to make of jewelry. This superfluous ornamentation they had learned to wear while in Egypt, and now that they had come out of Egypt, the Lord stirred them up to devote these things to his work. Will not this be the experience of every soul who is truly out of Egypt?

Another sister was stirred on "Louisiana Day" to look over her accounts again to see if she had truly paid a tithe to the Lord. To her surprise she found little amounts here and there that had not been tithed, until it amounted to quite a large sum and she promptly issued a good-sized check to clear her account with the Lord. Will not the reader of this follow this sister's example?
R. W. PARMELE.

Funds Received by the Conference for Year 1913

Church	Mem.	Tithe	Miss.	Tent and Emergency	Total
Conference	Ch 62	\$302 02	\$54 02	\$30 00	\$386 04
Hammond	23	323 33	121 96	3 00	448 29
Hobart	7	207 34	25 99	2 20	235 53
Individuals	17	268 78	238 73	40 55	548 06
Jena	5	14 00	17 45	5 00	36 45
Jennings	6	113 45	26 80	3 25	143 50
Lake Arthur	9	144 71	45 14	8 60	198 45
Lake Charles	29	447 63	238 32	20 95	706 90
Lena Station	26	65 29	22 21	3 20	90 70
New Orleans	67	2102 17	712 69	83 29	2898 15
Ringgold	12	105 93	18 56		124 49
Shreveport	28	356 61	235 70	5 00	597 31
Welsh	36	705 20	203 72	8 93	917 85
Totals	327	\$5156 46	\$1961 29	\$ 213 97	\$7331 72

News Items

(Left over from last week.)

MRS. J. A. JOHNSON writes very encouragingly of the little company at Sugartown and the newly organized Sabbath-school of that place. Their numbers are small, but they are confidently looking forward to an increased membership.

Reports have been received from most of our Home Department Sabbath-schools, and it is gratifying to note the interest some have aroused among their neighbors, and the results accomplished.

The first written review of the life of George Leslie Mackay (the first book of the current Junior Reading Course) has been sent in by Miss Ruthie Stewart, a member of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society No. 1 in New Orleans. The work was neatly and well done, and we are sure that her acquaintance with the pioneer missionary to the "beautiful island of Formosa" has implanted in her young soul a stronger determination to do something for the Master.

The second book of the Junior Reading Course, "Thoughts From the Mount of Blessing," as the name suggests, abounds in beautiful truths taught by the Saviour while on the mountain side. His words were life to those who heard him, and will prove a guide to the youth of our day. "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled."

"How few there are who are truly humble, devoted, God-fearing servants in the cause of Christ, whose hearts are full of gratitude and thanksgiving, because they are called to act a part in the work of God, being collaborators with Jesus Christ, partakers with Christ of his sufferings."

Mississippi Conference

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It is hoped that all the churches in this conference will remember the collection for Religious Liberty work on the last Sabbath in this month as recommended by the North American Division Conference. The program prepared for the day should be followed as far as possible.

News Items

A CARD from Elder R. E. Burke brings an order for the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER, showing that he is now located at his permanent address, which is Box 193, Meridian, Miss.

Elder Wiest spent Sabbath, February 14, with the Jackson Church and the Ridgeland company, being at the latter place in the afternoon.

From reports received from the Hattiesburg company, it would seem that they have caught the spirit of our aim, which is: "Every Church-member at Work." They have entered heartily into the missionary campaign. A recent letter from Elder Morrow brings an order for almost a thousand tracts. Certainly a good work is being done in Hattiesburg. Why not other churches and companies try it?

Brother Smith has spent the last two weeks with the new colporteurs at Quitman, Brethren Covington and Campbell, and has recently visited Meridian and other places in the interest of the colporteur work. Judging from the reports received from these brethren, they have made a good start.

A letter from Sister Sparks, at McComb, states that she has recently been confined to her bed with la grippe, but during this time she received several orders from visitors who called in to see her. We believe that Sister Sparks has caught the real spirit of the colporteur work. She says the Lord is working mightily on the hearts of the people at McComb.

We would invite the attention of our people to the reports appearing in the WORKER each week from the colporteurs. It will be interesting to follow them up and see the growth and advancement.

A card received on February 14 from Brother E. A. Taylor, states that he is now located in his headquarters at Brookhaven, and is well pleased. He expects to enter the field at once. His wife and child accompanied him, and they will be joined this week by Brother Elmer Chastain and family. We look for a good work to be done in and around Brookhaven through the efforts of these faithful men in the colporteur work.

Elder S. E. Wight, president of the Southern Union Conference, expects to make a tour of this State, beginning about March 11, and will visit the different churches and companies in the interest of the work generally. This will be an uplift to our churches, and will knit the local work more closely to the union.

Elder Sydney Scott, Southern Union Mission evangelist, will visit Mississippi in the interests of the colored work. He plans to be at the following places on the dates given: Hattiesburg, March 5; Brookhaven, March 6-8; Natchez, 9-11;

Vicksburg, 12-14; Jackson, 15-17; Yazoo City, March 18; Meridian, March 19-21; Columbus, March 22; Clarksville, March 24, 25, and perhaps other places.

Elder N. B. King during this week has visited the colored churches at Brookhaven, Natchez, and Vicksburg.

We are confident that the visits of these general and local brethren throughout our conference will be a great strength to the work among both the white and the colored people.

For the benefit of any and all who may not already be informed with reference to the change in prices of some of our small books, we give the following, the same to go into effect March 1: "Gospel Primer," "New Testament Primer," "Our Paradise Home," and "His Glorious Appearing" will be thirty-five cents instead of twenty-five cents. "Best Stories" and "Christ Our Saviour" will be advanced from fifty to sixty cents. These prices apply to the board bindings in all these books, with regular discounts to agents and churches. The cloth bindings will remain as formerly.

We also wish to state that we now have a complete line of tracts and pamphlets in stock, and shall be glad to give prompt attention to orders from our churches and companies, also from all our people.

Elder Wiest recently met with the Quitman company in their Sabbath services. He said he was much pleased to find that they had erected a nice, comfortable little church building, which they have nicely seated and painted. We are glad to know of this good report, and hope that the church there may have a substantial growth. Elder Burke will spend a portion of his time there.

Remember the Religious Liberty offering to be taken next Sabbath, the 28th. Let us all be liberal.

(Left over from last week.)

ELDER C. S. WIEST spent Sabbath, February 7, with the Quitman company. During the latter part of the week, in company with Elder R. E. Burke, he visited Hattiesburg, Meridian, and Quitman.

Brother Smith is spending some time with the new colporteurs at Quitman. He reports that they are making a good start and we are sure that success will attend their efforts. We have had a nice large order for helps from both Brother Covington and Brother Campbell.

Encouraging word comes from the different colporteurs that they are now seeing good results from their labors, and feel better prepared to do more efficient work than ever before. This speaks well for the instruction given at the institute.

Last Wednesday, the 11th, Brethren E. A. Taylor and E. Chastain, with their families, left Jackson for Brookhaven, which will be their present field of labor. They had no trouble in finding a suitable location for their headquarters, in which the Lord evidently guided them.

Brother and Sister C. H. McColey are now located at Lula, and the good report received from them last week is a means of great encouragement. This report was for more than \$100. With the present corps of workers, together with the new recruits, we expect our reports to jump high and a good work be done.

Let all remember that Sabbath, the 28th, is Religious Liberty day. A special collection is to be taken.

THE boys and girls greatly enjoyed the "Black Bearded Barbarian." If you have not read it, do so. It was the first book in the Junior Missionary Volunteer Reading Course. "Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing," the second book in the course, is a gem. Everybody should read it.

Tennessee River Conference

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Attention of church officers is called to the offering for Religious Liberty work to be taken in all our churches on the last Sabbath in this month. This should not be overlooked. An appropriate program has been prepared for that day.

News Notes

BROTHER JOHN KRAUSS was an office visitor on the 5th of February. He was very much encouraged over his work. He is trying earnestly to head the list in this conference. We think this should be the aim of all the colporteurs. If all will work to this end, it will mean longer hours and more faithful time.

Recently five were baptized in Memphis. The Lord is blessing Brother Elliott in his work there. Last Sabbath, February 7, four were baptized at the Nashville Memorial church.

We have received word from the Review and Herald Publishing Association that at the present time they have nearly 8,000 copies of "Ministry of Healing," relief edition, which hereafter will be handled on the regular subscription-book basis as long as the present stock lasts. This arrangement is made with the consent and cooperation of the General Conference Committee, and really at their request, that the large stock may be disposed of as quickly as possible. We believe there are a goodly number who are not engaged in the colporteur work at all who might be induced to take up the work with this book on the fifty per cent basis.

Brother A. C. Williman left Nashville, February 12 for Clarksville, where he will spend a few days finishing his delivery there, then go to Waverly. Brother C. G. Bishop, who is now working Gallatin, sends in a very encouraging report. Brother Krauss has joined him now, and we trust the Lord will greatly bless them in their efforts. Brother Jones has recently taken up the colporteur work and is working in Sumner County. Brother Jones was connected with the food factory before taking up this work.

Elders Norwood and Rees, Professor Ryan and Brother Pound recently held a meeting in Memphis. They are now holding a meeting at Springville, where the Hustburg and Leach churches meet with them. They report excellent meetings. We are sure that much good will result from these meetings. They are endeavoring to get every one to work. A full report of these meetings will appear later.

A meeting of the Conference Committee was held in Hazel last Tuesday, February 10.

NOT NUMBERS BUT CHARACTER

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"Success does not depend upon numbers. God can deliver by few as well as by many. He is honored not so much by the great numbers as by the character of those who serve him."—"Patriarchs and Prophets," p. 550.

Colporteurs' Report for the Southern Union Conference

Week Ending Feb. 7, 1914

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
S S Guilford	BF	29	31	\$45 50	\$ 3 00	\$48 50	\$ 3 00
M L Ivory	BF	12	13	19 50	8 75	28 25	20 75
U Bracy	BF	40	3	4 00	6 25	10 25	21 25
I W Peevy	D&R	35	3	9 00		9 00	
G W Brown	BF	20	4	5 00	1 00	6 00	5 00

Totals 136 54 \$83 00 \$19 00 \$102 00 \$50 00

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

C P Bodwell	GC&PG	40	20	\$64 00	\$29 50	\$93 50	\$62 00
F Peabody*	PP&F	54	18	27 50	4 50	32 00	4 50
J Harzman	PP&F	28	14	22 50	3 75	26 25	10 50
Mrs E Petit	MISC		60		15 00	15 00	

Totals 122 112 \$114 00 \$52 75 \$166 75 \$77 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Ella Johnson*	PP&F	46	92	\$147 00	\$ 4 00	\$151 00	\$ 4 00
M A Murphy*	PP&F	56	65	127 50	5 75	133 25	8 75
L M Campbell	BR	51	39	117 00	7 50	124 50	7 50
C H McColrey	BR	20	15	45 00	1 75	46 75	4 75
H C Balsbaugh	GC	40	17	40 00		40 00	3 00
Mrs Ethel Warren†	BF	50	3	3 00	19 50	22 50	33 50
J S Fry	D&R	25	6	18 00	1 50	19 50	1 50
C R Canada	D&R&BF	15	9	14 00	2 25	16 25	2 25
Miss M P Sparks	BF	32	12	12 00	2 00	14 00	8 00
W H Haddon	CK&BF	24	9	9 00	25	9 25	25

Totals 359 267 \$532 50 \$44 50 \$577 00 \$73 50

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

F E Wagner**	GC	77	32	\$103 00	\$ 6 20	\$109 20	\$ 8 00
C F Dart*	So/P	59	58	86 75	1 00	87 75	2 75
J S Moore	BF	46	24	28 50	1 75	30 25	
C G Bishop	GC&BF	36	6	25 00		25 00	
C E Schwerin*	GC	74	9	24 00	45	24 45	
John T Jones	D&R	47	7	17 00	2 00	19 00	
R H Hazelton	GC	18	4	8 00	2 25	10 25	
Rebecca Moore	BF	37	8	8 50	25	8 75	1 00

Totals 394 148 \$300 75 \$13 90 \$314 65 \$11 75

Grand Totals 1011 581 \$1030 25 \$130 15 \$1160 40 \$212 25

Magazine Agents' Report

For Week Ending Feb. 7, 1914

Agent	No.	Value
ALABAMA CONFERENCE		
Maude Rainwater	25	\$ 2 50
MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE		
Mrs Ethel Warren	25	2 50
C R Canada	1	10
Totals	51	\$ 5 10

† Two Months. ** Three Weeks. * Two Weeks.

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Camp-Meetings

Tennessee River	July 9-19
Mississippi, Jackson (white)	July 23-August 2
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Alabama	July 31-August 9
Kentucky	August 13-23
Louisiana	August 27-September 6

A Word of Explanation

LAST week we gave up almost the entire paper to finishing the minutes of the recent session of the Southern Union Conference. Nearly all the matter from the local conferences was left over. As much of this as is not entirely out of date we are printing this week. Matter received last week but not printed until this week is marked, "Left over from last week." The readers will then understand where the responsibility of giving out stale news, etc., rests.

Religious Liberty Offering

FEBRUARY 28 is the day set for a Religious Liberty offering throughout the United States. Probably no part of the field needs means for the promulgation of Religious Liberty ideas more than the States in the Southern Union. Already we have had occasion in Tennessee to see the need of money to distribute literature for the education of the people.

We trust everybody will remember this offering and be liberal when the time comes to give. S. E. WIGHT.

A Letter that Explains Itself

February 12, 1914.

ELDER C. P. BOLLMAN, Nashville, Tenn.

My Dear Brother: Brother Simmons has just sent me \$5 to enable us to send the *Liberty* magazine to some of the lawyers in Tennessee. This money enables us to send a copy of the magazine to one hundred lawyers. We sent the magazine to all the lawyers in Waverly, Charlotte, Knoxville, and to some of these men in Nashville, Tenn.

I wish it were possible for us to send the current number of the *Liberty* magazine, together with a letter which we have prepared, to all the lawyers in the State of Tennessee, calling their attention to the two articles in the magazine regarding the Tennessee Sunday-law case.

I was just wondering whether or not it would be possible for you to write a short article in the *SOUTHERN UNION WORKER*, appealing for a special offering from the people in the Tennessee River Conference who have means, asking them to duplicate Judge Simmon's offering, in order that the lawyers

in their conference may be supplied with the magazine. . . .

We have the names and addresses of all the lawyers in Tennessee. In addition to sending them the current number of *Liberty*, we would send them a personal letter, calling their attention to it and to the important articles which they ought to read. Brother Simmons seems very anxious that all the lawyers in Tennessee should have the *Liberty* magazine.

Sincerely your brother, C. S. LONGACRE.

The above suggestion is a most excellent one and we hope there will be a liberal response to Elder Longacre's appeal so that the current number of *Liberty* can be placed in the hands of every attorney in the State of Tennessee, together with a letter from the Washington office of the Religious Liberty Association. J. W. NORWOOD.

Soon to be Out of Print

THE book, "Songs for Service," by Chas. P. Whitford, will soon be out of print. It contains some choice songs not found in other books. One of these, "The Breaking of the Day," was sung at the General Conference last summer and there was such a demand for the words that they were printed on slips and supplied at five cents each to quite a number of people. But both words and music can be had in book form, with a large number of other carefully selected songs, for only thirty-five cents by addressing the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn. The book contains 252 pages, in board covers. The Southern Publishing Association has the only unsold copies in existence.

THE LAST WORD.

It is earnestly hoped by those having charge of this branch of the work, that the Religious Liberty offering recommended to be taken up on the last Sabbath in this month, will not be overlooked. If local secretaries have not passed the word on to the several church elders about this matter they should do so at once. One-third of the funds raised on that day will be used in the local conference, one-third goes to the union conference, and one-third to the North American Division Conference. All our churches should be encouraged to make this offering as liberal as possible. Funds are greatly needed for this important branch of our work. C. P. Bollman.

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