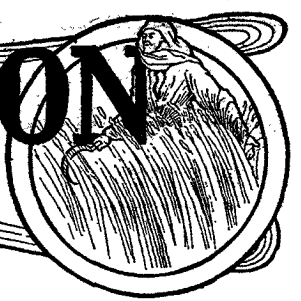


# SOUTHERN UNION WORKER



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

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## God's Workers

God shall charge his angel legions  
 Watch and ward o'er thee to keep;  
 Though thou walk through hostile regions,  
 Though in desert wilds thou sleep.

Since, with pure and firm affection,  
 Thou on God hast set thy love,  
 With the wings of his protection  
 He will shield thee from above.

Thou shalt call on him in trouble,  
 He will hearken, he will save;  
 Here for grief reward thee double,  
 Crown with life beyond the grave.

—Selected.

## General

### "My Lord Delayeth His Coming"

THESE words are not often heard in this exact language; but in principle this is heard many times in the common language of the day. People without intention give expression to this sentiment both in actions and in language. Of all the signs the Lord has given, very little remains to be fulfilled, and our Lord will come. It seems strange that in the very face of all the evidence, people will say, "Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation." But, "When they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them."

Not all the people are to sleep during this period of waiting. A few will be watching while they are waiting, and when their Lord returns will not be found in darkness. "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness." Great moral darkness and great light is in the world to-day. The armies of Heaven and earth are marshaling for the great conflict and final struggle. The army of earth cries peace and brings destruction. The army of Heaven warns of destruction and gives peace to those who receive the warning.

Dr. George R. Stewart, in a lecture delivered in the city of Nashville Thursday evening, February 26, said: "We've got a mission in life, when our homes every year furnish one hundred and forty-four thousand recruits to the army of fallen women. Statistics show that there are six hundred thousand scarlet women in the United States; that the homes of our country furnish twelve thousand girls a month or one hundred and forty-four thousand a year! The question

is, how are we going to meet this problem?" Does the mention of this number, one hundred and forty-four thousand, make us think of the small company to be waiting for their Lord when he shall return? The number is exactly the same. The question in the mind of the writer is, how many of these one hundred and forty-four thousand souls are to be numbered with the fallen before the Lord's number will be made up? The answer to the doctor's question is in the "coming of Christ." It is the panacea for all earth's troubles. Let us not be deceived into believing that the Lord is delaying his coming. He will surely come, and we should hasten his coming by our faithful efforts to warn the world.

S. E. WIGHT.

## Going Out in Faith

It has been some time since I wrote to the WORKER. This is not because I am not interested in the paper but this is a very busy season of the year for me. We are just closing the white institutes for this union. This is aside from the institutes at the schools of Graysville and Hazel.

The colporteurs are going into the field with their hearts filled with the courage and faith that will make the work in this field grow during the year 1914. All the conferences are joining in the effort to reach the goal for this year. This goal is now set for \$50,000.

Now, brethren, this is not more than we ought to do this year, and we can do it if we are only faithful to the Lord and will work as we ought to work. Every man will have to work. We are well able to go over and possess the land. Will we go this year?

One of the colporteurs had gotten discouraged and was about to leave the field when his field agent went to him and persuaded him to stay and attend the institute. While he was there he gained a good experience, and in a testimony meeting just before we separated he said that he felt much better, in fact he said he felt as "strong as a lion." This is the way we ought to feel, for then when a small thing comes before us it will have no effect upon us whatever. Let us be strong and of good courage.

There are those in this field who are setting their mark at \$3,000 for this year. Many are going to aim for \$2,000 and above. This will mean good time, but who objects to working full time? Those who work for companies of the world do not expect anything short of this. Surely this great work is worth more than any worldly business.

The churches everywhere are promising to pray for the colporteur work at least twice each week, as the Sabbath comes on, and on Monday morning. Will those who read this earnestly plead with the Lord for the men in the field at least twice each week? God will hear prayer, and if we are faithful in this small duty it will help wonderfully. If there is one in the field with whom you are personally ac-

quainted and in whom you feel a special interest, write him a good letter. Let him know that you are praying for his success. If there is not one in the field like this, you certainly ought to use your influence to get such a one into the work.

As bookmen we are working and praying to see the membership of our churches doubled and at the same time we are asking for the same work to be done in the book work. Surely this is not asking too much when the work is to close in this field first. There is much to do.

In every place the Lord has come very near to the colporteurs as we talked of the great work and studied how to best advance this department. In every place there were those who were willing to join the ranks and stay until the Lord says, "It is done." With these men filled with the love of souls, and the promises of God behind them, we expect to see great things done this year. There is certainly "a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees." Be sure and read the reports as they appear in the paper from week to week.

J. W. DAVIS.

### Items from the Southern Schools

MR. AND MRS. ERMAN STEARNS, formerly of California, have recently left the Madison School to begin a little work of their own. In cooperation with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Klady, also former students of Madison, they have taken possession of a piece of property on Hawk Ridge, where they are laying the foundation for a highland school. Mr. and Mrs. Stearns spent a day with the Madison family this week, and at worship hour Tuesday morning gave an interesting talk concerning their experiences. It takes faith and courage for these young people to go out in this way. They relinquish their worldly ambitions and throw themselves heartily into this mountain work. They go into a community where the children are in school only a few days out of the year and where many of them have to walk several miles in order to reach a schoolhouse. They take the little cabin that happens to be on the farm and remodel it until it becomes an object-lesson in neatness and comfort to the neighbors. God has said that this Southern field is a training station for future foreign missionaries, and certainly in a work of this character men and women are being developed who later on will be able to do a strong work in more distant fields.

Recently Brother Thomas Hanon, of Munden, Kan., made his second trip into the South to find a definite location. Brother and Sister Hanon were here last spring. For a number of months they felt in their hearts that God wanted them to locate in the South. They made their first visit last year in order to acquaint themselves with Southern conditions. They visited several little self-supporting centers and became intensely interested. They returned to Kansas and disposed of their property there. In January, Brother Hanon decided to associate with Brother Burt White and Brother Gruesbeck in the Sequatchie Valley. This will be the means of strengthening the work there. Miss Jessie Foote is teaching her third year at College and writes that she has an enrolment of seventy with a daily attendance of over fifty children. It is certainly a source of great encouragement to the workers in the Sequatchie Valley to find that the Lord is sending them help.

Elder Littell and family are busily engaged in erecting a greenhouse on the property they recently secured near the National Cemetery, on the Gallatin Pike. Brother Frank Wagner, whose family have been members of the Madison student body for some months, is canvassing for our larger books near Madison. In four days he took over \$50 worth

of orders, and has had some interesting experiences in meeting the people.

Mrs. C. L. Kendall writes from Kensett, Ark., that they are making headway with their work. Brother and Sister Kendall were formerly members of the Madison family, who located in Arkansas because of the extreme need of industrial schools in that State, and they are laying the foundation for a good work there.

M. BESSIE DEGRAW.

## Our Publishing House

### Home Office News

THE past week was a busy one at the Publishing House. An unusual number of orders was received, among them being two for large shipments to our branches. The order from Fort Worth stated that they were entirely out of some books and that they were being kept exceedingly busy in their packing-room. Most of the orders that they were receiving were for March delivery, which shows that our colporteurs are already at work and having good success.

Brother Randall writes that on account of the former secretary of the Georgia Tract Society having accepted another position, Brother Paden, one of the helpers in the Atlanta Branch, has been elected secretary and treasurer of the Georgia Tract Society. Brother Paden's leaving will no doubt keep Brother Randall and his assistant very busy, as according to all reports the work in the Southeast is steadily increasing.

At the chapel hour Monday morning we were very glad to have with us Elder Wight, president of the Southern Publishing Association. Elder Wight gave a very practical and earnest talk along the line of proper amusements and the definite aim of our work being the salvation of souls. He stated that in one conference they had set their aim for four hundred and twenty-six souls for this year, and that he thought every one connected with this office should be the means of bringing at least one soul to Christ this year. He also gave a very interesting and stirring report of the outlook before the work in the conferences which he had recently visited.

Word has just been received to the effect that both the Kentucky and the Alabama tract societies have now secured more desirous and commodious locations than they had before. In speaking of this to the president of the Tennessee River Conference this morning he stated, "The Tennessee River is on the hunt, too," and we therefore expect the announcement in a short time that they have also secured more advantageous quarters. In writing of their new location, Brother Hartwell, secretary of the Alabama Tract Society, states the following: "Please take notice that the address of the Alabama Conference and Alabama Tract Society is now 333 Hood Bldg., Birmingham. . . . We are now nicely located in one of the office buildings of the city in a very central location. We have two rooms which give us sufficient room for office and a packing and stock room." We are surely glad to see our tract societies securing better office locations and believe that it will be of material help to the conferences in building up their work.

In last week's WORKER mention was made of Brother L. A. Smith, editor of the *Watchman*, attending the International Prophetic Conference at the Moody Institute in Chicago. Brother Smith has just returned to the office and a report of that meeting will appear in the April number of the *Watchman*. On account of getting this report in, the April issue may be a little late, so there will be plenty of time to still sell a good

many of the March number. This number is going very rapidly and in the last mail we received orders for something over a thousand copies.

If there are those who read these lines and who think winter canvassing can not be made a success, they will perhaps be especially interested in the following report just received from Brother Chas. L. Collison, of Oklahoma:—

"Brother J. G. Gaede is one of our new colporteurs and has been working with 'Coming King' as a leader. He made a good December delivery, came to the institute during the holidays and went directly to the field, and during four weeks in January the Lord blessed his efforts with \$171.30 worth of orders for delivery in February, among farmers. He put in one hundred and sixty-eight hours' time taking the orders and thirty hours' time making the delivery. He delivered about ninety-five per cent of his orders, or a total, including helps, of \$162.30. His wages for the total time put in canvassing and delivering was about forty-one cents an hour. He expects to make one more early delivery with 'Coming King' and then take up a larger book.

"He writes: 'The people were most of them newcomers and in some places the nearest neighbor did not know what his next neighbor's name was. If I had not adopted the plan of putting down where everybody lived, as you told us to do, I would have had a time finding the people I had sold to. But this way, I made a map and then I could drive along and lose no time and not drive out of the way. I think that is a plan worth while to follow. I think the time I spent at the institute has been worth double the cost to me.'"

From all parts of the field encouraging reports are being received of the progress of our book and magazine work. In writing from South Texas, Brother E. M. Davis, field agent, states that in January they made a gain of about two hundred per cent over January of last year. From all that we can learn the outlook before the colporteur work throughout the territory of the Southern Publishing Association is the best that it has ever been, and with the hearty support and cooperation of all our churches we believe that a great work can be accomplished this year. To that end let us pray and labor.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,  
R. L. PIERCE, *Gen. Manager.*

### The Colporteur

AMONG the workers in God's vineyard wide,  
That tell the tidings that the gospel saith,  
Not least important, though less known than most,  
The colporteur goes forth in simple faith.

Midst mighty cities' busy din  
He hurries on to wage his war with sin;  
And in the humble hamlets of the West,  
To many a home he bears the message blest.

Now, where the wintry sun doth disappear  
For full three months of every passing year,  
In ice-bound lands he joyfully wends his way,  
To sell his books that tell of endless day.

In far Australia, newest land of earth,  
He goes to tell them of another birth  
This world shall know when God shall cause to cease  
The curse of sin, and rule in sinless peace.

In Eastern lands, where pagan temples rise,  
And shrill Muëzzins startle morning-skies,  
He bears, to those who sit in error's night,  
Truth's beacon pointing to the source of light.

Where the "White Czar," intolerant, claims the throne  
And calls the peoples' very souls his own;  
Unterrified by bigot priest, there still  
He bears the message of God's holy will.

By ancient castles on the far-famed Rhine,  
Along the vales of Alps and Apennine,  
E'en where the beast is throned by Tiber's flow,  
I see him trend, and angels with him go.

Where the proud Briton in his "castle" dwells,  
In town and village joyfully he tells  
Of that great day when earthly kingdoms fall,  
And Christ shall rule eternal over all.

Where Western genius marks its wondrous power,  
And cities rise as moments in the hour,  
And through the Spanish main that southern ire  
Has cursed with revolutions, sword, and fire.

On goes the colporteur, nor slacks his zeal,  
Through hard times or prosperity, through woe or weal;  
Placing in countless homes books full of grace,  
That point earth's weary to a resting-place.

Speed on thy holy work. Let no despair  
Press down thy spirit; God for thee doth care.  
By every water sow thy seed, and he  
Who increase gives shall bless thee mightily.

— Selection in "The Missionary Worker."

## Alabama Conference

### Conference Directory

A. L. MILLER, President.  
S. D. HARTWELL, Secretary and Treasurer.  
S. D. HARTWELL, Tract Society Secretary.  
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HELEN M. KEATE, Sabbath-School and Y. P. M. V. Secretary, Fort Payne, Ala.  
PROF. R. G. RYAN, Educational Secretary, 511 Cole Bldg., Nashville, Tenn.

### News Notes

ELDER SYDNEY SCOTT made a brief visit in Birmingham the past week and made the office a call. Elder Dasent accompanied Elder Scott to Montgomery for a few days' meeting.

Brother W. C. Wales, who has been holding some meetings in a mission in Pensacola, Fla., while in that place selling Bibles, has returned to his home in Birmingham, and reports a good time with the brethren in the southern part of the conference, though the times, he says, are hard in that city.

Word has been received of two Sabbath-keepers near Lynn Haven, Fla., as a result of reading "Bible Footlights" sold by a colporteur. "Go thou, and do likewise."

Elder Miller expected to be with the Long Island Church over the past Sabbath.

Word has been received from Brother Keate at Elkwood that the work on the church is about finished, and he expects it will be ready for dedication March 7.

We are now favorably located in the Hood Building, Room No. 333, where we will be glad to see our friends as they may be in the city. A safe, a desk, and some chairs have been added to our equipment and we hope soon to be able to do business promptly. Let the orders come in.

Brother Wilson reports a little over \$100 worth of orders

secured last week as a result of his own and the brother's efforts with whom he has been working at Albertville.

It is expected that the institute for colored colporteurs will be held at Montgomery, beginning about March 12. We trust there will be a good attendance at this institute, with a number of new workers.

## Kentucky Conference

### Conference Directory

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

### A Successful Institute

OUR institute closed with good attendance to the end. We had twelve workers in this meeting, all strong men, and all stood by until the last meeting, Sunday afternoon, after which several left for their homes. We surely enjoyed the feast of good things which Elder Wight and Brother Davis fed us. And now all have separated to the field for battle.

One evening all gathered around the blackboard and set their mark for the year. When we added up the figures the total was \$16,000 worth of books delivered for 1914. We now realize that we have a mountain to climb, and we are going to the top by January, 1915. All that we ask is that the brethren pray for us, and that they find some leisure days, weeks, or months when they can fall in with us and push, and let us go up and possess the kingdom.

H. E. BECK.

Nicholasville, Ky., Feb. 27, 1914.

## Louisiana Conference

### Conference Directory

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LYDIA E. PARMELE, M. D., Medical Secretary.  
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### After the Institute

OUR institute is now two weeks in the past, and the colporteurs are getting to their fields of labor, and we believe that those who attended the institute realized that it was good to be there. The last night of the institute we had a social meeting in which all the workers took part, and all bore testimony to the fact that they had been many times repaid for the time they had lost by coming.

Brother Davis certainly gave us some timely instruction, and some of our workers expressed themselves as seeing the colporteur work in a different light than they had ever seen it before. We are indeed glad to see our workers in Louisiana waking up to the sacredness of this work, and the high standard that the Lord would have them as workers attain to. When this is done I believe that we will see no more of their accounts being dumped into the loss and gain account, but instead will see them paying their bills, and the tract society will be in a healthy, prosperous, and growing condition.

The workers themselves will be courageous and therefore be able to push their work, and when the field agent comes around they will be glad to see him and will gladly meet him at the depot, as they will not be expecting him to give them a lecture about a bad account. Beside this, when they lie down at night they can rest instead of rolling and tumbling all night wondering how they are going to pay the tract society. Just about that time your mind will begin to wander and Satan comes along and whispers something like this into your ears, "I am just satisfied the tract society secretary has made a mistake in your account in some way," and you begin to hunt and search, and finally you come to the conclusion that he has failed to give you credit for the last money-order that you sent him. So you write to him to send you an itemized statement of your account, showing all the credits. He sends it, and you look it over and find that there is no mistake in the account, and that you are duly credited with all that you have sent in. Then you are forced to the conclusion that after all you have just been a little careless in turning in your help money, thinking that you would pay up when you made your general delivery. Perhaps you have been doing this all through the canvassing season, and the result is you have sold about a hundred or so dollars' worth of helps, for which you owe, with the exception that you sent a money-order for \$2.50 the week that you sold \$10 worth of helps. Of course we are all honest and want to do the right thing, so when we come to make the delivery we have very good success and we pay up for all the books that we deliver at that time and send the tract society \$5 extra, thinking that will just about cover the balance that we are due on the helps we have been selling all the season. Of course it was not necessary to keep a daily record of our work, and consequently we do not know how many helps we have sold. So we just suppose that we have sold about fifteen or twenty dollars' worth. But after you have completed your delivery and paid up, as you think, the secretary sends you a statement showing, to your surprise, that you are behind about forty or fifty dollars. You can not see how that can be. Is it because you are dishonest? Oh, no, that is not it. It is because you were not faithful in the little things, and have not kept account of your business, and it is the helps you have sold that have helped you into debt. Of course it is very pleasing to the enemy of our work to see this, for he knows too well that such will be discouraging to you and very likely you will drop out of the work entirely, and thus he will gain a victory. But, brethren, let us not tolerate such a thing. Let us be more faithful to our trust, and I am sure that the blessing will be ours. When we are faithful in all these things it gives us courage, and we can meet the people with a smile and the work goes easy. They buy our books and we go on our way rejoicing.

I am now at Monroe, La., where I expect to engage in taking orders for a time, and at the same time assist Brother E. E. Ballard in getting started in the work. Brother Ballard is a young man with a family composed of a wife and one little boy about four years old. Brother Ballard felt a call to service, so he attended our institute, and afterwards sold his farm and stock. They are now in their field of labor and are nicely located. When they left home they burned all the bridges behind them, with the exception of one that was under water, else they might have burned it. This bridge was over what is known as Black Lake, which is supposed to be about one-half mile wide where they crossed it. When they reached this place and found that the bridge was all under water they began to wonder what they would do to get across. At first he thought he would ride his horse across to see how deep the water was, but he did not go very far till he

thought it best to turn back as the water was getting so deep. Reaching the shore again, he rode down the lake and found a man with a couple of rowboats. He secured his help, tied the two rowboats together and put his buggy in them, and rowed them across. Then he returned and got his wife and baby, also leading his horse behind the boat into the water and making him swim ashore. During this time, while getting the buggy out of the boats, Brother Ballard himself got turned overboard; and having shipped his household goods, he only had the one suit of clothes with him as he did not expect to get such a ducking. This is seemingly enough to discourage a new beginner, but I am thankful to tell you that Brother Ballard took this experience as a good soldier of the cross, and is still of good courage. Let us all pray that God may gloriously use him in this good work.

Remember, dear fellow workers, that our mark for 1914 is still \$10,000. Let us all do faithfully our part, and we will reach the mark.

H. D. LEAVELLE.

Monroe, La., Feb. 15, 1914.

### News Items

THE New Orleans Church No. 2 has purchased and paid for a lot on which to erect a church building, and has raised over \$500 in cash and \$500 in pledges toward the erection of a building. The work on the building will begin as soon as there is \$1,200 in cash on hand for the purpose.

Brethren Parmele and Caldwell are visiting churches and companies in the southwestern part of the State.

Elder C. B. Stephenson recently spent a week in New Orleans in the interests of the colored work. His visit was enjoyed by all. Come again, Brother Stephenson.

### Mississippi Conference

#### Conference Directory

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#### A Correction

IN last week's paper, it was announced in one of the news items that the reading for Educational day, which is March 7, was to be found in the February number of the magazine *Education*. It should have been announced that the reading was to be found in the March issue of this magazine, and your orders should be sent for this number instead of the February number. It would be well for our people, especially our isolated members, to secure this excellent issue of our denominational educational magazine and get the benefit of this reading. Send your orders through this office.

WM. A. WOODRUFF.

#### News Items

ELDER C. S. WIEST met with the Hattiesburg company last Sabbath, the 28th, and Elder Morrow met with the Ellisville Church. They both report profitable meetings in behalf of the religious liberty work.

Brother Virgil Smith met with the Jackson Church last Sabbath and gave some valuable help in the Sabbath-school and the services that followed. It was a very bad day, and

many of our members were not present, but the ones present did not miss far the one-dollar-per-member mark.

We are glad to see the interest our people are taking in our good magazine, the *Watchman*. Our churches and companies are using quite a number of them, and a recent letter from Sister Ben Morgan, at McLain, brings an order for six yearly subscriptions. This is a good suggestion to our isolated members.

The colored institute began last Monday morning, March 2, with a dozen or more in attendance. Our colored church of Jackson has opened its doors for this occasion, and a good interest is manifested on the part of those attending. The instruction being given is invaluable, and we hope for splendid results to come from this meeting of our colored workers.

Brother J. W. Davis arrived on the afternoon of the 1st, and will assist Brother Smith throughout the colored institute. He reports splendid institutes throughout the union conference, and predicts a healthy growth for the colporteur work in the South this year. All colporteurs are of good courage, and surely a good work will be done.

Elder Wiest spent a portion of this week in Jackson assisting in the institute work for the colored colporteurs.

### Tennessee River Conference

#### Conference Directory

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

#### Hazel Academy Items

IT has been several weeks since we have sent any items to the WORKER. They have been busy weeks, however, and have brought to us many blessings.

The Week of Prayer was a season of blessing. Many expressed themselves as having received the greatest spiritual blessing of their lives.

Our work of distributing the Harvest Ingathering *Reviews* was entered into heartily. It was the first experience of this sort for some. Every one returned enthusiastic. Most of our work was done in Murray, our county seat.

The literature and personal workers' bands are beginning more aggressive work. It is planned to supply, regularly, all the families in the vicinity of the school, with literature.

A profitable meeting of the Conference Committee was held at the school, February 10, to consider matters pertaining to the work of the school and of the conference.

All were pleased to see the interest being taken by the students and the good spirit prevailing. A good number of improvements has also been made which add to the efficiency of the work and the comfort of the students. The Lord has blessed us in many ways during the present year.

Plans were laid which will work further progress in next year's work.

Elder Norwood's chapel talks were very much appreciated. Professor R. G. Ryan attended part of the sessions of the committee. His afternoon talk to the Missionary Volunteer society was an inspiration to all.

We were favored during the present week with a call from Elder E. H. Rees.

Three evening services were held for the public. The weather was unfavorable, yet there was a fair attendance.

Classes have recently begun in bookkeeping, rudiments of music, and principles of drawing.

Miss Medea Peterson canvassed Paris, Tenn., last week for the February *Watchman*. Work will likely be done with magazines each month there and at Murray, Ky.

Hazel, Ky., February 21.

## Miscellaneous

### A Modern Leper Healed

JOHN L. SHAW

Foreign Mission Seminary, Washington, D. C.

You say, "Do any of those people in India ever become real substantial, honest converts?" I suppose you have heard of the "rice Christians" who become Christians simply because they can get something to eat. I know there are some people who do that, but I want to tell you that there are souls in India that have just as fully given their hearts to God as any one in this land.

About thirty years ago a poor old leper had a Bible put in his hands. He read in the Bible about the lepers and how Jesus healed them. His fingers were so diseased that they were dropping off, but as he read that Bible and heard something about the Christians he decided he was going to test the Christian's God, and so he prayed that if he was the true God, and if this was his Book and these were true words that he would stop this leprosy. And God heard and answered that man's prayer and those joints all healed over. To-day one can see that old man in India, now past eighty years of age. About eight or ten years ago he learned of the second coming of Christ, and the Lord filled his heart with a love for the truth for this time.

He said, "I want to go out and tell the other people about Him." He is known as the man who can tell you about the coming of Christ. That man goes all over the country riding on a white horse and telling about the coming of Christ. If you could hear that man pray—of course you could not understand him—but there is something about *prevailing*

prayer, I do not care what language it is in, you can know a man is taking hold of the arm of God. That man is a living monument of what God will do for those who believe in him, and rest upon his word.

You have heard of John Lass, a great, stalwart-looking Hindu, who carried letters from one place to another. He is dead now. I never shall forget some experiences I had with him. He became a Christian. When he heard something good he wanted to tell it to some one else. After I had talked a little with him, he said, "I want to go right back and tell my people all about that."

I said, "Hold on, you do not know very much yet. You want to know more so you will have more to tell them."

We have been studying about the second coming of Christ, and one morning he came to me, and said, "I *must* go now."

"But," I said, "you have merely got started."

"I can not help it. I have a budget."

A budget is a song with a moral in it. This old man had written up the second coming of Christ and had worked it into a Hindu song so he could sing it.

He said, "I want to go out and sing that song to my people."

I did not take much stock in his going.

He said, "I feel that I *must* go."

At first I followed afar off, but you know the Indian knows how to present the message to the Indian. I did not realize that. He would go on a corner and begin to sing his budget. People came from far and near. From one to three hundred people listened to the singing of the second coming of Christ.

"Now," he said, "I do not want any pay. I want God to pay me for my work. I just want to go out and tell the people about this and I believe God will support me."

"Oh," I said, "but it seems to me as if you ought to accept some pay."

"If I do, I may forget to trust in God."

So year after year one could hear that man at five o'clock in the morning, singing that song to the people. How many people I have seen since, inquiring about John Lass who sings the song about the soon coming of Jesus Christ. The poor old man met an unfortunate death. He got among the Mohammedans. They put him in jail and he died there, but I believe he will come forth at the time of the first resurrection.—*From a recent talk given at Himsdale, Ill.*

### Colporteurs' Report for the Southern Union Conference, to Feb. 21, 1914

#### ALABAMA CONFERENCE

NAME	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Deliveries	Total Ords.	Total Del.
P H Jones	GC	40	30	\$ 101 00	\$ 2 45	\$ 103 45	\$	\$ 156 00	\$
J H Reams								127 00	94 50
I W Peevy	D&R	45	12	36 00		36 00	18 00	118 00	18 00
U Bracy								91 50	22 25
M L Ivory	BF	78	12	18 00	2 25	20 25		85 50	9 50
S S Guilford								81 50	33 25
R T Jacks	BR	12	4	14 00	1 40	15 40		38 00	51 50
G W Brown								13 00	5 00
E W Jones									7 50
Totals		175	58	\$ 169 00	\$ 6 10	\$ 175 10	\$ 18 00	\$ 710 50	\$ 241 50

#### KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

James Hickman				\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 100 50	\$ 89 00
P M Winkler								53 00	
M L Howard								25 00	
Jefferson Hickman									30 00
M Wheeler									26 00
Totals				\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 178 50	\$ 145 00

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE									
NAME	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Deliveries	Total Ords.	Total Del.
C P Bodwell	GC&PG	20	6	\$ 23 00	\$ 3 50	\$ 26 50	\$ 14 00	\$ 226 00	\$ 76 00
John Harzman*	PP&F	55	35	53 00	2 00	55 00		201 00	80 50
James Turner	BR	48	48	170 00		170 00		170 50	146 00
E Hutchins†	PG	77	40	123 00		123 00		123 00	
W J Hirst*	PP&F	37	34	58 50	4 00	62 50		69 15	62 00
Frank Peabody	PP&F	31	16	26 00	6 75	32 75		62 50	84 00
H D Leavelle*	PP&F	12	23	36 50	3 50	40 00		36 50	
C W R Brown								23 00	6 00
E E Ballard	GC	18	6	21 00	4 75	25 75		21 00	
M B Wilson								6 00	43 00
J W Pine								4 50	47 00
M S Hubbell									214 00
Edna St Clair									38 25
J Ballard									17 50
I J Reed									11 00
A Pine									7 50
J C Pine									7 00
Totals		298	208	\$ 511 00	\$ 24 50	\$ 535 50	\$ 14 00	\$ 943 15	\$ 839 75

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE									
NAME	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Deliveries	Total Ords.	Total Del.
C H McColrey	BR	21	14	\$ 38 00	\$ 3 25	\$ 41 25	\$ 6 25	\$ 248 00	\$ 36 50
J S Fry	D&R	47	25	75 00	5 50	80 50	5 50	241 00	26 25
L P Campbell	BR	39	20	60 00	75	60 75	75	234 00	11 00
H C Balsbaugh	GC	41	14	32 00	50	32 50	2 50	164 00	20 75
W E Covington	BR	42	20	60 00	1 75	61 75	1 75	158 00	2 25
M A Murphy								153 00	13 25
Ella Johnson	PP&F	36					111 00	147 00	115 00
C R Canada	D&R	43	25	85 00	3 50	88 50	3 50	126 50	55 75
Miss M P Sparks	BF	35	14	14 00	4 75	18 75	15 75	78 00	48 00
Hattie Jacobs	CK	13	14	22 50		22 50		26 50	
W H Haddon								18 50	21 75
W M Watts	BF	5	5	7 00		7 00	4 00	8 50	4 00
Mrs Ethel Warren								3 00	33 50
E Campbell									72 00
L J McElroy									13 00
Totals		322	151	\$ 393 50	\$ 20 00	\$ 413 50	\$ 151 00	\$1606 00	\$ 474 00

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE									
NAME	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Deliveries	Total Ords.	Total Del.
C F Dart	sofP	37	13	\$ 19 25	\$ 2 50	\$ 21 75	\$ 1 25	\$ 218 25	\$ 6 75
F E Wagner	GC	26	7	23 00	1 25	24 25		166 00	14 00
R H Hazelton	GC	28	11	23 00	50	23 50		140 00	13 00
C G Bishop	BF&GC	29	9	16 00		16 00		116 00	
J B Krauss	BF&GC	28	9	22 00	2 50	24 50		112 00	
J S Moore	BF	35	9	11 00	1 00	12 00		96 50	
Chas E Schwerin								70 00	
C H Chenault								67 00	27 00
J T Jones								42 00	
Rebecca Moore								20 50	1 00
J H Parrott	BF	13	7	9 00	70	9 70		9 00	
Sibyl Strawhun	BF	5	4	4 50		4 50		4 50	
Mamie Moore									11 50
Totals		201	69	\$ 127 75	\$ 8 45	\$ 136 20	\$ 1 25	\$1061 75	\$ 73 25

\*Two Weeks. † One Month.

LOUISIANA (Magazines)— TWO MONTHS ENDING FEB. 21, 1914			
M S Hubbell	1500	\$ 150 00	
New Orleans Y. P. M. V. Society, No. 2	200	20 00	
A F Schemell	200	20 00	
Mrs W Williams	170	17 00	
Mrs C A Lantz	125	12 50	
Mrs C A Gormely	100	10 00	
Miscellaneous Sales	100	10 00	
C W R Brown	100	10 00	

H D Leavelle	50	5 00
Henry Weber	45	4 50
E E Ballard	25	2 50
Mrs Bertha Ashmore	20	2 00

Totals ..... 2635 \$ 263 50

TENNESSEE RIVER (Magazines)— WEEK ENDING FEB. 21, 1914		
Mrs J. H. Parrott	45	\$ 4 50

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### The April "Watchman"

It is clear that the minds of eminent men are being impressed with the nearness of the coming of Christ. This fact is emphasized by the remarkable International Prophetic Conference recently held in Chicago, Ill. In the April issue there appears a complete report of this world-wide gathering. Prominent divines and Bible students met to study the Scriptures with entire reference to the prophecies pertaining to our Lord's soon coming. This body also received universal requests for a series of studies on Daniel and the Revelation.

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### An Encouraging Outlook

In a personal letter to the editor, Brother L. D. Randall, writing from Atlanta under date of Feb. 24, 1914, says:—

"The book work is starting off quite encouragingly here in the Southeast. . . . We have set our goal for \$50,000 this year. While last year showed a dropping off from the previous year, still we hope to reach the \$50,000 mark

this time. The book work in South Carolina is now on the best footing and in the most encouraging condition that it has been at any time since the establishment of the Atlanta Branch. Both Cumberland and North Carolina are well manned and doing splendid work. Florida is experiencing a genuine revival under the able leadership and earnest efforts of Brother D. W. Dillen. The institute for Georgia begins now in a few days and the brethren are hoping for a number of good substantial workers to go out into the field as a result."

### As Seen by a Kentucky Colporteur

To a personal friend in the Publishing House, one of the Kentucky colporteurs writes as follows of their recent institute, etc.:—

"Our institute closed last Sunday and all the boys (twelve of them) left in good courage with a determination to move things in old Kentucky. We are going after Mississippi now. If they lead in book sales during 1914 'they will not stay at home with Sallie,' as Brother Davis says. I started the ball rolling last week with \$129 in orders in four days' work."

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