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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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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
2066	\$21486.40	\$10480.84	\$11005.56

Prayer for a Clean Heart

CREATE in me a new, clean heart, O God —
A heart to meekly bow before thy rod.
Remove the crimson stains that sin has made,
And from thy books make all my guilt to fade.
Implant within my breast a spirit meek,
And cause my heart of hearts thy ways to seek.
Renew my mind, transform my life
That I apart may live from sinful strife.
Make me to know thy law divine;
Cause me to take thy will, O Lord, for mine.

C. P. B.

Of General Interest

Election of Sabbath-School Officers

THE North American Division Conference Committee, at the Fall Council held in Washington, October 25 to November 4, 1914, passed the following recommendation:

Whereas, Progressive plans for the improvement of our Sabbath-schools are often hindered by the frequent changes of officers; therefore,

We recommend, That beginning with the year 1915, the term of office in our Sabbath-schools be one year instead of six months, as heretofore.

All churches in the North American Division should comply with this recommendation. Sabbath-school officers should be elected by the church, at the same time, in the same way, and for the same length of term as the regular church officers. Sabbath-school officers elected the last of this year will serve during the entire year of 1915.

Those who are chosen to nominate Sabbath-school officers should heed the instruction given in "Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work," pp. 84, 91, 92, and 94. Note especially the following quotations:

"The leaders in our schools should be men and women of quick intuitions, who have the Spirit of God to aid them in reading character, who have managing ability, who can understand different phases of character, and display tact and wisdom in dealing with varied minds. There are many who can

fill the place of superintendent in name, but what is needed is men who can fill the place in every sense of the word. There are many who can go through the form cleverly enough; but they fail to impart courage and hope, to inspire thought, to quicken energy, and to impart such life, that the school shall become a living, growing power for good."

"In selecting officers from time to time, be sure that personal preferences do not rule, but place in positions of trust those whom you are convinced love and fear God, and who will make God their counselor. Without the love and fear of God, however brilliant the intellect may be, there will be failure. . . . Above everything else, select those who, in the simplicity of their souls, are walking in the truth, who love and fear God, and take their lessons in his school."

May the year 1915 be the best year in the history of the Sabbath-school work.

MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER,
N. A. Div. S. S. Sec'y.

One Year and a Half

FOR a year and a half, beginning January 1, all divisions of the Sabbath-school will study the book of Matthew.

Valuable helps on the lessons will be found in "Desire of Ages," "Christ's Object Lessons," and "Ministry of Healing."

An especially good help to kindergarten teachers will be "Bible Object Lessons and Songs for Little Ones." This book contains picture and object illustrations that will fit many of the lessons for the year. Every teacher of small children should have a copy. Price, board, \$1.50; cloth, \$2.

We hope our people everywhere will greatly enjoy this series of lessons, and that the teachers in every school will equip themselves for effective work.

What Do You Carry in Your Pocket?

ONE thing that ought to be there all during the year 1915 is the five-cent, pocket-edition of the book of Matthew. Each member of the Sabbath-school should have a copy, as an aid in studying the lesson daily. The senior division greatly enjoyed the pocket edition of the book of Romans, but this time the children, too, may share in the pleasure. Teachers of children may well provide this five-cent gift for their pupils, and encourage its use.

"THE union of the church with the state, be the degree never so slight, while it may appear to bring the world nearer to the church, does in reality but bring the church nearer to the world."
—"The Great Controversy," by Mrs. E. G. White, p. 297.

"KEEP thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."

Publishing and Colporteur Work



With the Men Behind the Books



THE significant events that have taken place during the past few months, and particularly the European War, are leading many Seventh-day Adventists, who have formerly been engaged in worldly pursuits, to enter the work. And there can be no doubt that those who expect to ever have a part in helping to spread the message, have no time to lose. It is indeed encouraging that, although the financial conditions throughout the South have not been the best on account of the limited sale of cotton caused by the war, a goodly number of new workers are entering the ranks, while others are preparing to do so as soon as possible.

"COULD NOT PUT OFF THE LORD'S WORK ANY LONGER"

The following from a personal letter addressed to the writer will serve to illustrate how the Lord's Spirit is working upon the minds of different individuals:

"No doubt it will surprise you to learn that I am in the colporteur work, and that I have been canvassing for 'Bible Readings' since camp-meeting closed. You will recall that when I was in Nashville I was selling Encyclopedia Britannica, but I could not put off the Lord's work any longer, so at camp-meeting I took my stand."

We believe that there are many others who feel that they cannot put off the Lord's work any longer, and who will soon be actively engaged in giving the message.

MORE RECRUITS

At the present time Brother J. W. Davis, our union agent, is visiting a number of churches in the union. In a recent letter he writes:

"Today we had a splendid meeting. The people arose one by one and dedicated their lives to the service of God. There were two men with their wives who gave their hearts and lives fully to the Lord and to the finishing of this work. One of these men expects to sell his farm today. The other couple will enter the work a little later. There are some others here who are preparing to take up active work soon, and altogether I expect there will be several from this place who will become regular workers."

Such reports as these would indicate that some of our people are beginning to realize that the time has come for them to "wake out of sleep," dispose of their property, and take an active part in giving the message. It is our prayer that others will do so while they have the opportunity.

From the experiences which many of our workers are having in the delivery of their books, it would appear that the time referred to by the spirit of prophecy to the effect that what is not done in times of peace and prosperity will be done under trying and adverse circumstances, is not far distant. But we must ever remember that the success of this work is not dependent upon local conditions, but rather upon the power of God. While there will no doubt be times when orders will come easily, and it will not be so difficult to deliver, yet we believe that on the whole the "men behind the books" should not expect "smooth sailing." On the other hand, our workers should be so trained, and have that unwavering faith in God and the ultimate triumph of this work, that will enable them to overcome all the discouragements, difficulties, and obstacles which the enemy may bring to bear upon them. We should also remember that there will be work for the evangelistic colporteur as long as probation lasts.

DELIVERING IN SOUTH CAROLINA

The following extract of an article written by Brother A.

H. Evers, and which appeared in a recent issue of *Field Tidings*, will no doubt be of interest to the "men behind the books" in the Southern Union. We therefore take pleasure in passing it on:

"Reports are coming in of the sacrifices the people are making to get the books they ordered during the summer. This speaks well for the faithful colporteurs who have made such an impression upon the people as to cause them to part with their possessions. The Spirit of the Lord was surely present in these transactions.

"One brother reports: 'One man sold his chickens, and would not collect for them until I came, for fear of not having the money to pay for the book at that time. Another man dug up his small potato patch and sold sufficient potatoes in order to take his book. One poor woman took the small earnings of her little girl, which she had saved to buy some winter clothing.'

"We believe all our men had to adopt means like this in order to dispose of the books. Our State agent on one occasion took a bushel of corn on the cob, and after getting it to Columbia, found he could not sell it until it was shelled. After working that night about two hours on it, he appeared with blistered hands, but triumphant in the realization that he had disposed of another book. Chickens, corn, eggs, potatoes, in fact all produce are legal tender with the colporteur."

A GOOD TIME TO BEGIN

The present is a good time for beginners to enter the work. The people, or many of them at least, are stirred over the war, and there are thousands who are looking to Adventists for an answer as to what these things really mean, and whether or not the United States will ever become involved in a general war. Hence, if there ever has been a time when our colporteurs and others can go to the people in earnestness, and clearly sound the warning of what is coming before it is forever too late, it is evident that that time has come. There are many men and women who are now eager to hear the truth, but who before this war, could hardly be induced to even listen to a canvass for our books.

HOME WORKERS' PROSPECTUS

Those who have had no experience in the work, and also any who can only devote a few hours each day around their homes, will find the Home Workers' prospectus very satisfactory at this season of the year. The price of this prospectus, which contains samples of fourteen different books, has been reduced to fifty cents, postpaid. Many people are deeply stirred at the present time on account of the war, and this gives all the more favorable opportunity for interesting the people in some of our good books to use in making their gifts.

"UNITED STATES IN PROPHECY"

"United States in Prophecy," by Brother L. A. Smith, is now ready. While so many are stirred over the situation in Europe, and are inquiring as to what will be the future of the United States, it seems most opportune that Brother Smith should have this book ready just at this time. It contains about the same number of pages as "Past, Present, and Future," but is a little longer, being the same length and width as "Bible Readings," "Daniel and the Revelation," etc. It is bound in two styles, as follows: full leather, \$3.00; cloth, \$2.00.

It is a subscription book, and the prospectus will be ready shortly after this paper reaches its readers, if not before. The price of the prospectus is seventy-five cents, postpaid. It is expected that this book will prove a good seller, not only in the country but also in the cities where our higher priced subscription books do not sell as readily as they do in the rural

districts. It is well illustrated, and we believe will appeal to the people at the present time, for it answers the very questions which are being asked by the public. Order through your tract society.

R. L. PIERCE.

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
400	\$4160.00	\$1688.76	\$2471.24

Sunset Calendar

Friday, November 27, sun sets 4:54

News Notes

SISTER ESSIE M. EYSTER writes: "The Montgomery Church has organized a missionary society of seventeen members, including the church members which number eleven." We are glad to see the Montgomery Church awakening to its responsibility and availing itself of the opportunities to do better work by associating together in the missionary society.

Brother C. L. Trawick reports that the Stapleton Church received \$3.20 from twenty Harvest Ingathering *Reviews*. They also distributed eight hundred forty-two packages of tracts.

Brother J. F. Wright reports from Montgomery: "We have collected \$22.90 on the Harvest Ingathering *Reviews* and with the promises received will reach \$30 soon. We also have a well-organized missionary society. The society plans to do a systematic work this winter in home missionary lines. Our church building is progressing nicely and we hope to be in our own place of worship soon. We have some interested, but expect more as the result of missionary effort."

Elder Keate writes from Summerdale: "Monday night we had an excellent meeting here—ten or eleven came to the altar on the invitation to give themselves to the Lord. One who was not a Sabbath-keeper, took her stand to obey the Lord. Last night three expressed their desire to unite with the church." Later Elder Keate writes again: "Nine more took their stand for the Lord in Summerdale during the past week. Eight desired to join the church but one wished to wait awhile. Sabbath, November fourteenth, was set for the date of baptism but owing to the stormy weather it was postponed until the next day. This makes a total of seventeen that have united with the church during this special effort and there are prospects of more. We certainly thank the Lord for these results."

Sister Pratt Threadgill of Selma writes: "The Harvest Ingathering *Reviews* were received and I was indeed glad to get them. I am sending for one hundred of the *Watchman War Extra*. Please send them by return mail. The people seem to be more interested in the truth of late."

Brother S. E. Rogers of Gilbertown writes: "Send me two hundred *Watchman War Extras* by return mail. I am glad for the privilege of getting these papers. I think I can handle about fifty Harvest Ingathering papers if you will send them to me and I will assure you at least ten cents a paper and more if

possible." Brother Rogers intends to reach his aim of five dollars.

Brother R. R. Smith of Piedmont writes: "I sold out yesterday. Please send me fifty more of *The Watchman*." Apparently Brother Smith finds that *The Watchman* sells more easily than any of our other publications.

Sister Mabel Fuller of Cullman writes: "Your message received also the Harvest Ingathering *Reviews*, and will say that I was very glad to get them as I have them all placed. I could not get out and sell them as I did before so I am sending them through the mail." This is an excellent way to use the Harvest Ingathering *Reviews* and oftentimes brings the very best results.

Elder James Bellinger writes: "One whole family here are keeping the Sabbath. One man and his wife have accepted the truth and he will begin keeping the Sabbath as soon as he fills the contract under which he is now working. I am anxious to do all I can to help people to see the truth. Surely we are living in solemn times."

Brother Marley reports a profitable visit to the Borden Springs Church. He writes: "Almost every member was there, and others besides, and every one, I believe, expressed themselves as desiring to reconsecrate their lives to God and the finishing of the work. They have not been out with the Harvest Ingathering *Reviews* yet because of their busy season, but they plan to go soon. They now have the church divided into bands so as to work systematically. I have gathered in about four dollars for Harvest Ingathering, one dollar and twenty cents of which I received on my way to and from Borden Springs. I have prospects of more."

As will be noticed all the above notes were taken from our correspondence. They have been cheering to us and we pass them on believing that the WORKER readers will enjoy them as well.

Brother Ernest Waters of Elkwood is now in Birmingham attending the church school.

Elder Keate is visiting some of the churches in the southern part of the conference in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering campaign. While at Marlow there were nine of the young people added to the church. We are pleased to see the young people of Sabbath-keeping parents unite with the church.

Brother E. L. Marley was with the Borden Springs Church over Sabbath and Sunday. He was looking after the Harvest Ingathering work. Brother J. S. Wright was with the Ashford Church from Thursday until Monday in the interest of foreign missions.

Last Sabbath was a good day for the Birmingham Church. Elder Miller spoke upon the European war, to a well-filled house. Nine were added to the church—five by letter and four by baptism. The four came forward to unite with the church at the close of the sermon. Three of them were readers of Miss Pearl Miller.

There have been thirty-three additions to the churches in the conference on profession of faith within the last three months.

The Summerdale Church

On Sabbath, November 7, nine young people gave themselves to the Lord at a meeting in Silverhill, and united with the church. I was visiting this church in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign and while there was impressed with the number of young people of Sabbath-keeping families who were members of the church, though I did not feel I had time to stop at this time to labor for them. I talked with those I met about their salvation and was thus convinced that some of them were not far from the kingdom. I had left Summerdale and was at Marlow, with plans to go to Fairhope next, when I decided to go back to Silverhill and make an effort for the young people there (the Summerdale Church is badly scattered), and

if some of them would give themselves to the Lord I would return to Summerdale and make an effort for the others.

The Lord was present in a marked manner. Ten young people, ranging from ten to twenty-four years of age, gave themselves to the Lord, and one lady, who was not a member, asked to be prayed for. All the young people desired to join the church and all but one have done so. This exception was the daughter of the lady who was not a member and she cautioned her daughter to be careful and so the girl desired to put off uniting with the church.

Another interesting thing about this meeting was that two of the girls who joined walked fourteen miles to get to this meeting without knowing anything about a special meeting. The Lord impressed them to go as he had impressed me to return. We all enjoyed the meeting and thanked the Lord for what he did.

At this writing I am planning to return to Summerdale to make an effort for the other young people for there are about ten more who are not members of the church.

The members here are taking hold of the Harvest Ingathering nicely. R. I. KEATE.

Kentucky Conference

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
350	\$3640.00	\$1480.65	\$2159.35

Sunset Calendar

Friday, November 27, sun sets 4:40

News Notes

ELDER BROWN is making a trip through the southern part of the State. He spent a few days at Louisville and a few at Bowling Green. At the present he is holding meetings at Hartford.

Sister Watson of Ashland has ordered a supply of small books to sell for the holiday trade. She also ordered some of our good magazines.

Elder Lindsay reports the baptism of twelve persons on the seventh of this month. He expects some more to take the same step soon.

The church school has opened at Hartford with Sister Jacobs as teacher. We are glad to learn this good news.

Sister Reichenbach is meeting with success in selling our good magazines. She has recently sold a number in the towns adjoining Nicholasville.

We will soon hold a colporteurs' institute in our conference and now is the time to prepare to attend. This work will soon be finished and then the Lord will come. Why, brother and sister, shall we not have a part in this great work of soul saving? Your eternal life depends upon doing work for God. Begin now to get ready, and attend the feast.

The December *Watchman* is a fine issue and should be sold extensively by our people. Send in your orders now.

Brother Hickman assisted some of the workers in Louisville the past week. He then spent the Sabbath at Bowling Green.

At present he is assisting Brethren Miller and Ford near Russellville.

Brother Fred Keitts and Miss Lucinda Brown were married November twelve. They are at present in Louisville.

The Nicholasville Church plans to put one of the Extras on the Eastern Question in every home in that city. Other churches should do the same work in their vicinity.

Elder Lawrence has gone to Nashville to assist in the opening of the new church in that place.

Sister Ewald, one of our Louisville workers, has ordered a good supply of magazines.

Brother Winston reports the addition of two more believers to the colored church in Louisville, Sabbath, November 7.

Brother W. H. White reports a new believer at Powder Mills where he spent a few days. He also adds that more meetings should be held there.

The time is drawing near when we all want to hear our conference sing the jubilee song, so we must now work hard with our Harvest Ingathering, and also go down in our own pockets and help pay the mission funds. The safest investment in this world is to put our money in the cause of God. Banks are failing and many of our people will lose what they have unless they are wise and invest in the bank of heaven.

Brother Milton Jones has ordered a supply of books to sell for Christmas gifts.

Now is the time for our home workers to sell books. It can be done. Just try and see how anxious the people are to buy our good books.

Wanted!

WANTED at once, sixty volunteers to enlist in the Kentucky army to sell the printed page. If you desire a good paying position and one that will give you steady employment, write at once to the commanding general, James Hickman, and he will be glad to give you instruction as to how you can be enlisted, and the wage will be declared later. Do not delay. This call is for forty days, and you cannot afford to be left out of this army.

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
337	\$3504.80	\$1950.70	\$1554 10

Sunset Calendar

Friday, November 27, sun sets 4:54

Items of Interest

SABBATH, November 14, Elder Parmele met with the Welsh Church, and had a very interesting time. The Sunday following the church met for the first time in the church building they have recently purchased from the Congregational people.

Brother and Sister Petty, who have been teaching in Guatemala City, spent a short time at the mission in New Orleans, en route to their home in Keene, Texas.

Sister Bethel Mann, who with her sister has been engaged of

late in the magazine work in Shreveport, writes that they have now organized a Y. P. M. V. society there, and she has placed an order for supplies. With a wide harvest field before them, we wish them the Lord's richest blessing as they band together in their efforts for the Master.

Miss Susie Boden, who has been engaged in the magazine work in New Orleans for several months past, with very successful results, has returned to her home in Lena Station for a short visit. She will then go to Keene, Texas, to enter the school for the winter.

Brother Turner reports very encouragingly from his field about Covington, and says, "The Lord has been very good to me and has granted me many blessings the past two weeks, for which I praise his name. His holy angels have enabled me to take orders from the best class of people with which I have worked." This is looking beyond the poor roads and thinly settled territory through which he is working to the blessed privilege of a messenger with heavenly light.

Word has just been received from Elder Frank, who with Elder McLennan has been holding a tent effort in Shreveport, that a large building on an adjoining lot to where the tent was pitched has burned to the ground, damaging the tent beyond repair. This is the large tent that was used at camp-meeting, and in order that the interest awakened be not hindered, it will be necessary to take immediate measures in securing another tent. Our "Tent and Emergency" fund is extremely low at present, and we trust our brethren and sisters throughout the conference will rally to the need at this time.

Mississippi Conference

Conference Directory

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
256	\$2662.40	\$1768.41	\$ 893.99

Sunset Calendar

Friday, November 27, sun sets 4:54

News Notes

ELDER C. S. WIEST was with the Jackson Church on Sabbath, the fourteenth, and was at Yazoo City last Sabbath, the twenty-first.

Brother V. Smith is in the field assisting some colporteurs in their deliveries, especially some who have been ill of late.

Roscoe Watkins, of the mission, who has been laboring in Jackson since camp-meeting, will labor in Meridian hereafter.

The Ingathering and Missionary work is still onward. In a late letter from Brother D. V. Barnes, of the Greenville Church, (colored) is another nice order for a large number of our magazines and periodicals for use in their missionary endeavor, among these being a club of fifty *Signs* magazine for six months. Would that all our churches would get a spirit like this. What a great work could be done!

Speaking of the missionary work, we cannot refrain from calling attention to the exceptionally good "Turkey War Extra" of *The Watchman*. The *Review* has also another War Extra, but we call attention to *The Watchman Extra*. It is very striking

in its make-up, well illustrated, and the articles dealing with Turkey are far above the average, and are especially fitting just at this time. "The Turk in Prophecy" and "The Bible. The Turk, and The War" are the foremost among the splendid articles in this *Extra*. It is the very thing for our people at this time. It is inexpensive, and indeed has in a very concise and attractive form just the information the people should have in these momentous times. Why not all churches, companies, and individuals supply yourselves with them? One-half-cent each; fifty cents a hundred; four dollars a thousand. You can afford to give away at least one hundred. Send for a trial order of one hundred and be convinced of its merits. Order of the tract society at the office address.

Tennessee River Conference

Conference Directory

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
723	\$7519.20	\$3592.32	\$3926.88

Sunset Calendar

Friday, November 27, sun sets 4:40

Hazel Academy Items

THE school is well filled, although quite a number have been kept away who planned to come. The girls' home is completely filled and there is room for only two more boys in their home.

The latest arrivals are R. D. Peterson and Claude Terry from the colporteur field in Mississippi. They did well in their deliveries considering the dull cotton market. Both begin their school work with good courage, and are planning to enter the colporteur field again at the close of school.

Jesse Dortch is out of school this week to make his fall delivery of books. Brother Pound and Brother Davis will meet him in Brownsville and assist in the delivery.

Miss Brown has begun a class in "history and theory of music" for those taking piano work. The class in instrumental music this year is larger than any previous year. All are making good progress under Miss Brown's thorough instruction.

The ninth and tenth grade classes are all large this year.

The class in New Testament history was separated into two divisions, that more individual help can be given by the teacher, Professor Halvorsen.

Some chemicals and apparatus have just arrived for the general science class, which is anxiously waiting for them to be used in experiments. It is to be hoped we may be able to add some electrical apparatus, which will add interest and profit to this study. A few dollars would be gladly received for this purpose.

A few days ago a company of about eighteen teachers and students, spent part of an afternoon in Murray with the Harvest Ingathering *Review*. Because of local conditions only a small amount was received but all enjoyed the experience and felt they gained a blessing. Some further work will be done in the neighborhood with the papers.

The school has a good supply of sweet potatoes, home grown, which seem to be keeping nicely.

More corn has been put in the new silo and the silage is now being used in feeding the cattle. Considerable wheat, rye, etc., has been sown for winter pasture and soiling purposes.

A few days ago an afternoon was spent by the students in gathering a supply of hickory-nuts from a nearby wood. It was a pleasant outing. These cooler days remind us that our wood supply will need to be replenished soon. The school is fortunate in being able to obtain wood for the winter from a woods only about one-half mile distant.

The church seats and pulpit are receiving two coats of varnish, so last Sabbath the services were held in the school chapel.

At seven o'clock, the evening after the Sabbath, the faculty gave a reception to the students and friends of the school. Light refreshments were served and a short program was carried out. Some of the brethren and sisters spoke in a very interesting way of the beginning and growth of the school. A visit to all parts of the buildings and grounds was a pleasant feature of the program. A number of recent improvements, and some new equipment were noted as evidence of progress and of the interest of the friends of the school. We believe the time spent was not only pleasantly, but profitably used by all. Come again!

Miscellaneous

Shall We Raise Hogs?

SHALL Seventh-day Adventists raise hogs? This is a question upon which many of our people have a very definite reply. They regard their influence too jealously to have it contaminated with the swine. Some may think it even waste of time and space to write about this thing to Seventh-day Adventists at this late day of the message, thinking that the position on this question is well understood. However there are some very conscientious believers who see no harm in raising the hog. I have seen good brethren who justify themselves in doing this. Why this difference of opinion?

I have never heard a Seventh-day Adventist who raised hogs say that he was really proud of them. No, these brethren do not raise them to eat, nor do they take much pride in exhibiting their stock. The only interest they have in the hog is for the commercial benefit.

We are a very positive people, and are not generally influenced by what a person may say. But every true Adventist has great respect for the Bible and the spirit of prophecy. These two things are authority among this people. Is there an argument in favor of raising the hog, from these two sources? Commercially speaking one may justify himself in it, but spiritually speaking it must be called an excuse.

The hog is being raised with little expense. It will eat all the refuse and filth that may accumulate around the house, be it dead or alive. Since there is always much waste of some kind, and since our training from youth up has been that such material is good only for the hog, the conclusion is we must get a hog and turn this waste into money. So the hog is bought. In a little while company comes to this home, persons who know the position of Seventh-day Adventists; or it may be brethren of the same faith. After some little visit in the house, they walk around the yard looking at the chickens, cows, horses, when suddenly they are greeted by a couple of pigs. The visitor has his eyes focused on the animals, wondering. There is a moment of silence. What are the thoughts now passing through his mind before ever anything can be said? The visitor thinks of the message, and wonders what effect these unclean animals will have upon the truth. Will not his neighbors say that "while

this man claims not to eat any hog meat, yet he tolerates the use of it and encourages others to eat it, which is manifested by his raising the hog"? I have heard them add, "I have no respect for such a man's religion." By this time the owner himself feels that the appearance is not too honorable, and so he begins to explain. The first excuse is economy and the commercial interest in the hog. Then to satisfy the objector and to appease the conscience, he quotes the Bible in saying that in olden time Israel was allowed to sell the unclean animal to the Gentiles. But still the problem that "man looketh at the outward appearance" is not solved.

Have you, who now have hogs, ever stopped to think that the Bible does not really permit us to raise an unclean thing? The text so often quoted does permit us to sell it, but says nothing of raising it. The Lord does not ask the man who comes into the truth and happens to have a lot of hogs to kill them and lose all that investment. No, the answer is to sell the unclean thing and then never touch it again.

Let me quote from "Great Controversy," page 515, where an elucidation is made on the demons entering the herd of swine:

"He allowed the evil spirits to destroy the herd of swine as a rebuke to those Jews who were raising these unclean beasts for the sake of gain. Had not Christ restrained the demons, they would have plunged into the sea, not only the swine, but also their keepers and owners."

Why should not this apply today? Let us learn the lesson. Would you feel honored for the conference president to have a number of hogs around our headquarters? C. S. Wiest.

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"THE American sect of Seventh-day Adventists may be added to the list of Sabbatarian communities, among which their large numbers should give them a conspicuous place."—"The Catholic Encyclopedia," Vol. 13, art., "Sabbatarians," p. 287.

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Totals (Agts. 4)	109	40	\$127 00	\$ 1 55	\$128 55	\$39 35	

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Totals.....	\$62849 86	\$3749 92	\$24853 42

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Agent	No.	Value
Kentucky Conference.....	120	\$12 00

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Susie Boden.....	268	26 80
Bethel Mann*.....	76	7 60
Viola Mann.....	32	3 20

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READ on page 382 what Elder Wiest has to say in answer to the question, "Shall we raise hogs?"

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Meeting With Success

THE Ingathering Campaign is now well under way in the Southern Union Conference, as well as elsewhere, and a good degree of success is reported. But more faithful work must yet be done before all the local conferences in this union will be able to report their quotas made up. We believe this work will be done and that this year the Southern Union, as a union, will appear upon the honor roll.

The business outlook is improving and in many ways people in the South are feeling of better courage than some weeks ago. It is true there are still difficulties to meet and obstacles to overcome, but we must not expect to have an easy time. The Christian life is "a march and a battle, a march and a battle." But we may have victory at every stage, and should make progress every day. "There is no release in this war," and there should be no retreats. Our motto should be, "Forward, ever forward!" The fiercer the battle now, the harder the road, the greater the triumph, and the sweeter the final rest. Only those who gain the experience can learn the song.

Southern Union Conference News Items

ELDER S. E. WIGHT left the office Wednesday night, the eighteenth, for Louisiana where, with Elder R. W. Parmele, he will visit a number of the churches. He spent a few hours with the brethren at the Alabama Office in passing through Birmingham. It is planned that he will also visit in the Mississippi Conference before returning to headquarters.

Brother J. W. Davis is also in Louisiana where he went to assist Brother Boswell, the new field agent in that conference.

We are pleased to learn that the Mississippi Conference, at the last report, only lacked \$41.44 of paying out on their goal for the Harvest Ingathering.

We are pleased to know that Alabama is reporting in the same courageous manner, although we have not had definite figures.

Elder W. C. White made the office a pleasant call on Mon-

day, the seventeenth, going from Nashville to Atlanta, Georgia.

A few days ago the Union Office sent forward to the Division Conference treasury the largest remittance of mission funds so far this year — our check being for over \$2,100. By reference to the headings of the various conference columns in this week's paper, the present standing of our mission funds will be readily seen, showing there is still to be raised about \$11,000 in order for the union to make up its quota on the twenty-cent-a-week fund.

The many friends of Elder and Mrs. W. M. Crothers will be glad to learn that these friends are well and prospering in their field of labor in Spanish Town, Jamaica. Brother Crothers states that their labors have been blessed abundantly with fruit, and they are still of good courage.

Good Stories

THE great principles of life are best applied, more indelibly impressed upon the mind, and perfectly knit into the character, when taught through the narrations of human associations — parables, stories. The Bible is full of this kind of teaching. Teaching through stories is, therefore, the one method of instruction having divine approval. Some conscientious people believe that all stories are not only poor reading, but positively injurious. These good people merely condemn an approved method, rather than discriminating between good and bad stories.

Knowing the value of good stories, and recognizing the perplexity and often the impossibility of securing suitable stories for children in some places, the *Instructor* has spent much time and money in selecting, and printing in book form, a book of stories naming it "Stories Worth Rereading."

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"Mrs. J. F. Moser."

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