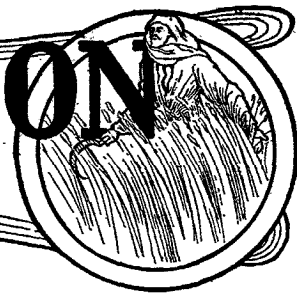




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"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
2066	\$21486.40	\$12405.39	\$9081.01

Our Work

WASTE not the life that God has given,
Work for some aim that is good and true;
Each has a place marked out by Heaven—
There is always something for each to do.

Some seem born for the highest stations;
Slowly and surely they win a name,
Till their words are heard by the listening nations,
And they taste the bitter and sweet of fame.

But all may not win them a name undying,
That still lives on when their lives are through;
And here are thousands of voices crying,
"Where is the work for me to do?"

Alas, faint hearts, ye are longing ever
On the lofty mountain tops to stand,
Instead of making a brave endeavor
To climb the hills that are close at hand.

If we brighten one life, that had else been dreary,
If we help one soul to be strong and true;
Our hearts may sing, though our feet be weary—
We are doing the work that is ours to do.

— Selected.

Volunteers Needed

THE daily reports of the great European war bring many thoughts to our minds in connection with the still greater war being waged between Christ and Satan. This war is reaching its great crisis, in the final struggle that takes place just before Christ comes back to this world. To meet this crisis, the Lord has sent forth a great cry all over the land for volunteers to enlist in active service for him. This call is made through this home missionary movement, for the interest that is being taken in it, and the attention that has been turned to it, in so many parts of the world, show that the movement is inspired by the Holy Spirit.

The question is, how many will respond to the Lord's call

to service? Many are doing so, and it is inspiring to read the good missionary reports in the union conference papers. But not all are yet working, and perhaps some who are working can do more.

There is one very important thing about this call to service, and that is that the Lord tests the love of his followers by the work they do for him. "Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me." Matt. 25:45. He said to this class, "Depart from me." Are we really followers of Christ? If we are, every call to service will be to us another opportunity to show more of our love to Jesus. We will welcome it as giving us another outlet for the warm love we have in our hearts. Just as Christ has poured out his love for us, so we will want to pour out our love for him. As we do this, it will come back to us in fresh evidences of the Saviour's love for us.

One call to service is the plan to circulate, on an average for every member, two weekly *Signs of the Times*, each week. The first eight weeks of the campaign brought in additional subscriptions to the number of 17,605, but while we are very thankful for this increase through the efforts of some loyal disciples, it does not seem a very great work for 71,000 believers. We feel sure you can do better than that, for of this number one sister alone sent in 137 subscriptions.

Here is the situation: On one side is the Lord, looking longingly, yearningly, at the souls he died to save, who do not know him. He has only one plan for reaching them, and that is through the work of those who do know him. He is depending on them to do it, but they are so slow, and time goes fast. On the other side are honest-hearted people, longing and groping for something, they know not what. They are unsatisfied, craving for that alone which will help them—the saving power of Christ.

Who will bring these together? Every Sabbath-keeper may have a part in doing this, and there is no better way than by circulating our literature. Just now special efforts are being made to build up the circulation of the *Signs* because it has proved again and again to be a very effective instrument for soul-saving. Are there not more who will take at least two copies of this paper each week? They cost only five cents a week, or \$1.20 for the two copies for six months, if ordered with the church club. They will sell readily, as they are full of the very things the people are interested in just now. Those who do not care to sell them can give them away, or mail them to friends and neighbors. The method of circulating them is not so important, as it is to get them into the hands of the people in some way, that the Holy Spirit may have channels through which to work.

The Lord is depending on you, and he has no other plan. You will not disappoint him, will you? E. M. GRAHAM.

"LET things be, not seem,
I counsel rather—do and nowise dream."

—Robert Browning.

Alabama Conference

Conference Directory

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
400	\$4160.00	\$2222.34	\$1937.66

Sunset Calendar

Friday, December 25, sun sets 5:00

Field Report

WHILE in the southern part of the conference, I visited Lynn Haven, Fla., Dothan, Ala., and Ashford, Ala. At the first named place a church of eleven members was organized. Eight of these were members of the conference, one an old Sabbath-keeper, and two were new ones and were baptized.

The colored church at Dothan is getting along nicely, and all seem well pleased with the work of Brother Blackwood. The house was well filled the evening Elder Miller was with them and spoke upon the European war.

I was expecting to meet Brother Davis at Dothan or Ashford and visit a number of churches in the interest of the colporteur work; however a message called him to another field, and I visited Ashford alone. The prospects at Ashford are quite good for two or more workers as well as one from Dothan. At Red Level I met Brother Wilson, remaining one day here, and securing a worker. We next visited Mobile. Here we visited a number of isolated members, and were with the church over the Sabbath. We hope to get two or three workers from Mobile.

The colored church at Mobile has been very much encouraged by the meetings held by Brethren Dasent and S. D. Miller. Twelve have been added to the church.

We hope the spirit of work will not only take hold upon a few in each church but that every Seventh-day Adventist will feel the burden of souls resting upon him and become a channel of salvation for his friends and neighbors.

A. L. MILLER.

News Notes

ELDER MILLER AND BROTHER WILSON bring cheering reports from their trip to Mobile and other places in the southern part of the State. Brother Little, elder of the Mobile Church, together with others from that part of the State, are contemplating entering the colporteur work.

Elder Miller spoke to the Mobile Church Sabbath, December 5, on the subject "The War and the Relation It Sustains to Our Work." This sermon met with a hearty response, and at the close the whole congregation reconsecrated themselves to the Lord for service.

Elder Bellinger is meeting with success in his work at Whistler. There seems to be a hearty response on the part of the people to know the meaning of the present-day events at this place. Brother Bellinger has a number of interested readers. He is holding cottage meetings several nights each week.

Encouraging reports come from the Montgomery Church also. They have recently moved into their new church building and last Sunday night, December 6, they conducted their first Sunday night service.

According to plans laid by the Publishing Department the field agent and the tract society secretary of each conference will attend the Convention held at Nashville from December 24 until January 4. Brother Wilson and Brother Godsmark are both planning to attend this Convention and take this method of notifying all that their correspondence doubtless will be limited during these few days. However, this will in no way interfere with the business of the tract society or conference office and all correspondence should be addressed as formerly, where orders will receive prompt attention. We expect this Convention will result in much good and expect that the training received there will bear fruit throughout the coming year.

Elder R. I. Keate and Sister Helen M. Keate arrived in Birmingham the fourteenth to take up permanent work in the city. The church was glad to extend a hearty welcome to them at the week of prayer reading that Monday night.

Sister Perthia Hampton paid the office a very pleasant visit and we were glad to learn that she is of good courage, pressing on in the work even in the face of difficulties, and plans for good work the coming year.

One of our brothers is making the subject of Romanism a study and greatly desires to obtain a copy of "Ecclesiastical Empires" by A. T. Jones and is willing to give a fair price for a used copy of this book provided it is in fair condition.

Before the year closes each one should see that all pledges are paid, that his tithe is all in the Lord's treasury, and that his offerings have been according to the Lord's blessings the past year. We have much to be thankful for in return for the Lord's many blessings to us. Let each remember that offerings are necessary as well as tithe — it being possible to rob the Lord in both.

Splendid results are seen from the work with the *Watchman War Extra*. Many thousands of them have been sent out from this office but a great many who are receiving the *WORKER* have as yet failed to secure and use this splendid opening wedge. There is no delay in shipping these papers for we carry a stock of them here in the office. The price is fifty cents a hundred or four dollars a thousand. Place your order for these papers now before our stock is exhausted.

"From Morning Till Evening"

(Acts 28:23)

How much of the day did the Apostle Paul use in working for the Master when he was "persuading" the people "concerning Jesus"? He put in full time working —

"From morning till evening."— *Common Version*.

"From mornynge to nyght."— *Tyndale's Trans.*

"From morning until night."— *Morgan's Trans.*

Paul not only worked from morning till "evening" or *night*, but on one occasion at least, he preached "until midnight," and then "even till break of day." Acts 20: 7-11.

"Upon the last evening of his tarry with them, the brethren 'came together to break bread.' . . . They partook of the communion, and then Paul continued his discourse till the dawn of day."—"Life of Paul," by Mrs. E. G. White, p. 196.

"THE more we do, the more we can do; the more busy we are, the more leisure we have."— *Haslitt*.

"THERE is work on God's wide earth for all men that he has made with hands and hearts."— *Carlyle*.

Kentucky Conference

Conference Directory

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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
350	\$3640.00	\$1697.16	\$1942.84

Sunset Calendar

Friday, December 25, sun sets 4:44

News Notes

ELDER LINDSAY reports the work onward in Louisville. He states that the church is well filled every Sabbath.

Brother Andy Schroder of Hartford writes that the home missionary society is doing a good work with the special extras, also in putting out tracts. Every church should have a live missionary society.

Brother and Sister Dow have gone to Gatliff to hold a series of meetings. We hope to hear of a good company being raised up there.

Sister Mary Chapman was an office caller the past week. She is working the city of Richmond for "Daniel and the Revelation."

Elder J. H. Lawrence has been on the sick list the past week. At this writing he is better.

Brother H. E. Beck reports a good delivery and he is expecting to sell more books this coming year. A baby girl came to their home a few days ago.

Brother Reichenbach reports a full delivery. That sounds good when worldly men are closing their doors because of hard times. God goes before our workers and gives them success.

How about that Harvest Ingathering work you were going to do? Better get all the money you can before the close of this year.

Sister H. Ford of Russellville writes that the Lord blessed her in putting out all the Ingathering papers she had and she asks for another supply.

Did you see Brother D. R. Allman's report last week — \$122 for forty hours' canvassing? No wonder so many are desiring to enlist in the Kentucky army of colporteurs. The call is still sounding but only a few days remain until the institute. If you desire to be one of the sixty, write at once.

Those pledges made at camp-meeting, for missions, will be accepted at once if you can pay them. Several have sent in their money during the past week. We hope to have all in by January 1, 1915.

The Kentucky institute will be held January 6-14. We are expecting a good attendance. Letters received tell us of more men that are planning to enter the Lord's work. Now is the time to sell our books. If God calls you, don't delay — 1916 may be too late for you to sell our good books. Those in the field are full of courage.

Elder S. E. Wight spent Sabbath, December 12, in our conference. He was present at the opening of the new colored church in Louisville.

Brother Dow writes that he finds it very hard to secure a suitable place to hold a series of meetings at Gatliff.

Elder Sydney Scott has been spending a few days in our conference. He has been holding meetings at the Louisville Church (colored). He was present at the opening and rendered good service.

The Louisville Church (white) organized a home missionary society the past week and will meet every Sunday evening for their meetings. This is a step forward. Have you a society in your church? If not, organize one at once.

Word received from all parts of the conference brings good news from our faithful brethren who are giving the message. The truth is finding its way to many honest hearts.

Lockport Dedication

As I was detained at Bowling Green longer than I had expected I did not reach Lockport until Sunday, December 6. Brother Harp met me at Pleasureville and we drove out to the church through the mud.

When we arrived Brother W. H. White was speaking to a good congregation of people. When the noon hour came all were served with lunch. The afternoon was then devoted to the dedicatory service. Those present listened very attentively to the discourse. We were glad that the brethren had done faithful work in raising the money so that the church was dedicated free from debt. We are indeed glad to have another neat church building in the Kentucky Conference and we believe that the faithfulness of those who believe the message will call others to accept it in the vicinity of Lockport.

Brethren W. H. White and C. L. Hornung had been holding night meetings previous to this and were present at the dedication. Elder Lindsay and Brother Hickman could not be present, as we had hoped. We closed the meeting Sunday night as the roads were bad and the brethren did not think best to continue longer. One woman expressed her intention to keep the Sabbath and go on to the kingdom with the Seventh-day Adventist people. Some from this church plan to attend the institute which will be held in January.

B. W. BROWN.

Bowling Green Meeting

THE brethren at this place had been planning for a series of meetings to be held as soon as the repair work was completed on the building which was finished in October. Their call was so urgent that I decided to hold the meeting in November.

We began the meeting at the appointed time with only a small attendance, but as we continued the attendance increased some. The Lord came very near as the Word was presented and hard hearts were broken up for the Holy Spirit to do its work. There was a spirit of consecration which took hold of the believers and, as they sought God for victory over sins, he came in and there were earnest prayers offered for others.

As a result of the united effort there were some surrendered to the Lord who had before been somewhat opposed to our belief. Sabbath, December 5, was a day of rich blessing. The Holy Spirit came down with power and all felt that we were receiving showers of the latter rain. Sabbath evening fourteen souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. Others expressed their decision to keep the Sabbath and we hope to see more added to the church soon.

Personally, I enjoyed my stay in Bowling Green very much and we believe that the time has come when the church will grow in membership. As we left, the night after the Sabbath, it was with a prayer that God would keep all faithful to the end.

B. W. BROWN.

"THE heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips."

Louisiana Conference

Conference Directory

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 LYDIA E. PARMELE, M. D., Medical Secretary.
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Report of Twenty-cent-a-week Fund

Membership	Quota for 1914	Amount Paid	Amount Due
337	\$3504.80	\$2255.66	\$1249.14

Sunset Calendar

Friday, December 25, sun sets 5:00

From the Field

AFTER a very brief stop at Mansfield, Brother Boswell and I went to DeRidder, where we remained over night. I also improved the opportunity by calling upon Sister Babin at Grabow, five miles distant. On Thursday night, December 3, about twenty-five persons gathered at the home of Sister Johnson in DeRidder, and we had a very profitable meeting.

The next morning Elder O. F. Frank joined us and we went to Sugartown, where we remained until Monday, December 7. Seven meetings were held with the company there, and a church of ten members was organized. For the most part the membership is made up of united families, who own their homes, and we believe this church has come to stay, and will be a light to the community in which it is located.

R. W. PARMELE.

Some Simple Suggestions

PERHAPS the most inexpensive method of doing missionary work is to maintain a reading rack in some public place, and keep it supplied with clean copies of our papers and tracts. Such a rack can be secured from the tract society, or can be made by a little effort and ingenuity. If papers to supply such a rack are needed, they may be obtained by inserting a request in the *Review and Herald*, space for which is given by the paper, free of charge.

A few days ago while on the train, I saw a man with a copy of the *Review and Herald* in his hand. He carefully folded it and placed it in his pocket. Wishing to ascertain if he was a Sabbath-keeper, I stepped across the aisle and asked where he obtained the paper. He replied that he got it from the reading rack in the station we had just left. I replied that I knew it to be a most excellent paper, to which he replied, "I judge it is, though I have never seen it before." The judgment alone will reveal the good that one paper may do.

Brethren and sisters, do not allow our papers, filled with precious truth, to be thrown away or used for common purposes because they are a little out of date. Souls are hungry for the truth they contain. Pass them along—keep them circulating.

R. W. PARMELE.

"LIFE is full of holy uses,
 If but rightly understood,
 And its evils and abuses
 May be stepping-stones to good."

A Parting Word

WE are now finishing up our deliveries here at Collinston and Bastrop, La. The work has certainly gone hard at these two places—not because the colporteurs have not taken good orders, but because of the present financial condition of the poor farmers in this country.

The boys have taken good orders, and the people everywhere seem anxious for the books. So far as we could tell they did all they could to raise the money. We have handled chickens, corn, turkeys, and syrup, and anything that we could get money out of, in order to deliver as many as we have. A few nights ago Brother Ezra Eaton and the writer rolled into the town of Monroe with a two mule load of corn and other country produce that we had gathered in for books. Many times we have gone at night to get this stuff, and often to get the exact change coming to us, we have climbed to the tops of the large oak trees to catch a thirty-five cent hen. On one occasion the writer was after a chicken and the negro's dog after him. He would knock the dog back and make another run for the chicken and so on till at last the chicken was captured.

Many such experiences as this have we had, and while the delivery has been long and wearisome, yet there is something about this work that makes one rejoice to know he has had a part in it. Brother Eaton has worked exceptionally hard to dispose of all his books, but somehow it seemed utterly impossible. But after all, by grace divine, he has placed many pages of present truth in the homes of the people and his courage is good. He has no desire but to press forward in the good work.

In other parts of the field, where the saw mills and other public works are, the workers have not had such a hard pull, and we are persuaded to believe after all that Louisiana will make on an average a fifty per cent delivery by the time the year's work is ended and all reports are in.

One young lady, Sister Susie Boden, who was one of our magazine workers, has sold, since camp-meeting, enough of our papers to earn a five months' scholarship in Keene Academy, besides buying a good supply of clothing, and paying about forty dollars indebtedness. I am sure there are others of our girls in Louisiana who can and will do equally as well.

Brother G. B. Boswell of Oklahoma now has the leadership of the work and we all feel that it is in the providence of God that he is with us. Brother Boswell is an old schoolmate of the writer, and as a Christian brother is much loved by him. I am sure that as you get acquainted with him you will also learn to love him, and that he will have the hearty cooperation of all throughout the conference as he gets under the burdens and responsibilities of this work.

In conclusion I wish to thank you all for your cooperation and the help you have been to me since my connection with the work in this conference. May God's richest blessings continue with the work is the prayer of your unworthy servant. Those wishing to enter the colporteur work should address G. B. Boswell.

H. D. LEAVELLE.

Our Message Song

WE ARE glad to be able to announce to our people everywhere that we have a limited supply of the song, "The Breaking of the Day," with an additional stanza added, on hand now. We can highly recommend this song, and it certainly is stirring.

Price, ten copies for twenty-five cents. Send all orders to F. W. Paap, General Conference Office, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

"THINGS won are done; joy's soul lies in the doing."—
Shakespeare.

News Items

ELDER PARMELE returned to New Orleans to attend the week of prayer services with the New Orleans Church, after an absence of some weeks.

Brother G. B. Boswell, our State agent, made the office a most pleasant call last week. From here he went to Hope Villa, Hammond, and Covington, looking for recruits for the colporteur work.

On Sabbath and Sunday, December 5 and 6, a church of ten members fully officered was organized at Sugartown by Elders Parmele and Frank. There is also prospect of additional members. This church promises to be permanent, and we trust will prove a strong factor in the finishing of the work in our conference.

The brethren and sisters at Welsh are planning and preparing for the coming series of meetings and the colporteurs' institute to be held there.

Since our last report, Sister Carney of New Orleans has fallen asleep in Jesus. Obituary notice will appear later. May the Lord's sustaining grace be with those who mourn.

Sister I. F. Green of Glenmora writes that they have just organized a little Sabbath-school in that place, and we trust that its light may shine bright and clear.

Word was recently received from Brother McLennan that they now own their church lot, having paid for it the thirteenth of November. Those who have donated toward the building of the Shreveport Church will be especially glad for the news. He also states that their Y. P. M. V. Society is getting along nicely.

Brother N. Hendricks writes very encouragingly from Weiss, in the southeastern part of the State. He has been making free use of our tracts and other literature, and holding Bible readings with a good interest.

Mrs. Clara Claycomb, the last charter member of the New Orleans Church, fell peacefully asleep to await the resurrection call, on Sunday, November 29. Services were conducted at her home by Brother Paul the following Thursday, and she was laid to rest in the Greenwood Cemetery.

Brother William Bryson and Sister Barbara Bryson, who with their aged mother have recently come from Toronto, Canada, to enjoy our mild winters, have located in New Orleans. They have taken up magazine work in the city, thus filling the vacancy made when Sister Susie Boden left for school. However, Brother Bryson will doubtless spend considerable of his time in the book work, and other lines of missionary effort. He has already found some interested Bible readers.

Supplies for the Sabbath-school — *Quarterlies, Sabbath-School Workers, Youths' Instructors, Little Friends, Memory Verse cards, the new Commandment cards* and other helps — should now be ordered to have them in readiness for the opening of the new year. The lessons have been prepared from the book of Matthew, and a five-cent edition of the book of Matthew will be found very convenient for use as it can be carried in one's hand-bag or pocket while at work. The tract society is prepared to supply these.

Turkey and Its End

THE eyes of the world are now focused on Turkey. Any one receiving a copy of Elder Andross' 32-page tract bearing the above title is sure to read it, and learn the truth. Here is another wonderful opportunity. Let us take hold heartily and circulate this tract everywhere in our conference. Two dollars a hundred, postpaid at the tract society office.

"A MAN'S heart deviseth his way: but the Lord directeth his steps."

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	\$1926.22	\$ 736.18

Sunset Calendar

Friday, December 25, sun sets 5:00

Important Notice

IN HARMONY with an action taken at the recent Council in Washington, D. C., a Bookmen's Convention is to be held in Nashville, Tenn., for the benefit of this line of work in the Southern Publishing Association territory. This convention is called to convene on the twenty-fourth of this month, and will last ten days or more.

Because of this fact, it will be necessary for us to close our office here from about the twentieth of this month till our return, after the meeting in Nashville.

All of your mail intended for this office, either for the conference, tract society, or the mission, should be addressed, after the twentieth, to us in the care of the Southern Publishing Association, 24th Avenue North, Nashville, Tenn. Mail should be sent to the above address until about January first. All mail intended for either Elder C. S. Wiest or Brother Virgil Smith should also be sent to the address given.

We ask that you remember this important meeting in your prayers, that plans for the more rapid advancement of the book work in this southern field may be laid in harmony with God's will.

WM. A. WOODRUFF.

News Items

ELDER WIEST was with the Brookhaven Church Sabbath, the twelfth, returning to Jackson for the Sunday night service, and then out again during the next week among churches and believers in the western and northwestern part of the State to hold week of prayer services.

Elder Morrow is spending the week at Hattiesburg, Speed, Collins, Mt. Olive, and Ellisville, with churches and isolated believers.

Our Ingathering work is still growing, it being something like twenty-five dollars ahead for the conference, when our conference books were closed on the seventh inst. The mission likewise is doing good work.

Brother Virgil Smith has recently been assisting Brethren Chastain and Taylor at Brookhaven; he also assisted our new worker, Brother W. E. Thomas, in his delivery.

Read the notice appearing in another article.

A GOOD CHRISTMAS GIFT

Why not give a year's subscription to "The Watchman" to five of your friends for a Christmas gift? You can send it for a year to five friends for only \$3.00, and who knows but that it will mean five souls for the kingdom?

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	\$4304.01	\$3215.19

Sunset Calendar

Friday, December 25, sun sets..... 4:44

Change of Officers

OWING to the sickness of Elder J. W. Norwood, Elder W. R. Elliott has assumed the responsibilities of the conference work. This change has been made at the suggestion and by the request of Elder Norwood, with the hope that he will regain his health by being relieved of conference responsibility. All who have business to transact with the conference through the conference president should from this date correspond with Elder Elliott, 509 Cole Building, Nashville, Tennessee.

S. E. WIGHT.

News Notes

THE Sabbath-school *Quarterlies* for the first quarter of 1915 have arrived, and orders have begun to come in. Sabbath-schools should place yearly standing orders with the office, for we are enabled to make a special rate on such orders.

The January *Watchman* is now off the press. From sample copies which have come to hand, we feel this is one of the best issues ever gotten out by the publishing house, and we are expecting some large orders. The December issue is now practically exhausted. Our tract society sold, through agents, more than two thousand copies of this splendid issue. Send in your order for a hundred copies of the January issue and earn some spare money.

We have just secured a nice line of Bibles, suitable for presents. These Bibles are leather lined, with good print and small enough to fit a man's pocket. Order one or two for your friends. Price, two dollars each.

Brother Pound is working with Brother Roy Story of Sylvia, Tenn.—one of our new recruits. Let us all remember the colporteurs at the throne of grace daily that the Lord will bless and encourage them.

Elder Elliott reports the work onward in Memphis. However, a large number of factories have closed down, and some of our brethren are out of work. We now have in mind several of our members who are temporarily out of work. If any readers of the *WORKER* have work for them, drop a line to the office, and we will put you in touch with them.

Professor Atteberry sends a good report of the work at the Hazel Academy. The school is filled to its capacity.

The Verb "To Hate"

"JACOB have I loved, but Esau have I hated." Rom. 9:13.

"The verb 'to hate' is frequently used for 'to love less,' e. g. Gen. 29:31; Deut. 21:15; Mal. 1:3; Matt. 6:24; Luke 14:26; John 12:25; Rom. 9:13 [See also Matt. 10:37]."—*Robert Young's Analytical Concordance*, p. 1108, New York, 1905.

To the Isolated Brethren

THE undersigned is desirous of getting in touch with all the isolated members of our conference. We would appreciate hearing from our brethren who, on account of being isolated, do not have regular church privileges. Drop a card to the office, as we have something of importance for you.

F. C. BRUCE, *Secretary*.

Harvest Ingathering Exercises at Memphis

ON Sabbath, November 28, 1914, a very interesting Thanksgiving and Harvest Ingathering program was rendered by the Sabbath-school and church-school departments of the Memphis Church.

The service was opened by the church-school children, who were seated in their school room, singing "Wake the Song of Joy and Gladness" and the invocation by Elder Burrow, whom we were glad to have with us from Mississippi.

After the announcements for the week, and a song by the congregation, an article "The Purpose of a Harvest Ingathering" was read. (Possibly a few statements taken from this paper will be of interest to the readers of the *WORKER* as this memorial is not generally celebrated in our conference.)

"Three times a year, the Jews were required to assemble at Jerusalem for religious purposes. It was God's design that these anniversaries should call him to the minds of the people.

"The Feast of Tabernacles was the closing gathering of the year. So at this time especially the people were to reflect on his goodness and mercy. The feast continued for seven days, and for its celebration the inhabitants of Palestine, with many from other lands, left their homes, and came to Jerusalem, where they dwelt in booths built of branches — this was to commemorate their tent life in the wilderness.

"As the people came, all, both old and young, rich and poor, brought some gift as a tribute of thanksgiving to him who had crowned the year with his goodness.

"A few days before the Feast of Tabernacles was the Day of Atonement, when the people, after confession of their sins, were declared to be at peace with Heaven. Thus the way was prepared for the great rejoicing of the feast.

"So in our day, after the gathering of the harvest, after receiving the bounties and blessings of the year, we celebrate the "Harvest Ingathering"—a day set apart in which we are to think especially of, and express our thankfulness to the Lord for all his blessings to us.

"As in olden time at the Feast of Tabernacles all brought some gift to show their appreciation of his love and goodness toward them, so today ought we to express our gratefulness to God for this year's care, and to show our interest in the work of God in the foreign fields today."

This article was followed by a recitation, "Harvest Time," and a violin solo by Miss Shirley Lambert.

For the decorations, a miniature tabernacle with all its furniture had been pitched on the platform, while the alcove had been made to resemble a forest; so the next two topics on the program were "An Explanation of the Earthly Sanctuary and Its Service" by Brother Parrott, and "The Work of the Heavenly Sanctuary" by Sister A. M. Patton.

Then Elder Burrow brought the lessons home to us, how we ought to be living at this time while the closing work of the heavenly sanctuary is going on. This part of the program was of special interest as it was so instructive to us who believe that Christ's work in the heavenly sanctuary is very nearly ended.

The impressive song, "The Pillar of Cloud Is Rising," was well rendered by Sister Bessie Jones; then just before the col-

lection was taken four little girls gave "A Missionary Recitation"—a plea to save our pennies for missions. In closing, all joined in singing the doxology.

It is hoped that another year more churches will try such an exercise for it not only arouses our latent talents, but also awakens our interest in missions.

MISS XANA J. HIBBEN, *Miss. Sec., Memphis Church.*

Home Missionary Work

EVERY lover of this great cause, and especially those who have taken hold with a new grip in connection with the call for *advance moves all along the line*, will appreciate the success that is attending our united efforts in increasing the circulation of the *Signs of the Times* weekly. When the campaign opened the subscription list stood at about 15,000. It has now passed the 30,000 mark, and the orders are rolling in.

Brother Hoskin, who has been with the *Signs* for years as circulation manager, says that "they have never before seen anything like the flood of orders that is pouring in." Praise the Lord for this.

Have you, dear reader, ordered your two copies? Is this great increase due to your sympathy? If every believer in the North American Division Conference were doing as well as you are, where would the list stand? By the way, we would like to suggest that you make an effort to secure subscriptions from your friends and neighbors. This is a good time. We want to see the list rise till we reach the 100,000 mark. Will you help us? We would be glad to hear from you regarding your efforts with this soul-winning agency.

F. W. PAAP.

Colporteurs' Report for the Southern Union Conference, Two Weeks Ending Dec. 12, 1914

† KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
Edna Callender D&R	12	2	\$ 4 00	\$ 60	\$ 4 60	\$	
Ella Wilhelm. D&R	22	17	20 00	9 00	29 00		
J E Miller. BR	1	1	5 00	75	5 75		
Hatton Ford. . . BR	31	11	36 00		36 00		
H E Beck. . . . D&R	30	1	3 00	26 75	29 75	82 00	
Raymond Diehl BR	28	11	37 00	1 50	38 50		
R W Harris. . . BF	26	32	71 50		71 50		
J B Reichenbach BR	35					108 60	
D R Allman. . D&R	37	17	55 00		55 00		
M Wheeler. . D&R	32	10	33 00	1 25	34 25		
J C Vermillion. BF	10	11	14 00		14 00		
Coleman Kindred BF	16	23	50		23 50		
Bibles.			11 40		11 40		

Totals (Agts. 12) 280 129 \$313 40 \$39 85 \$353 25 \$190 60

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Geo Brown. . . . BR	93		\$	\$12 00	\$12 00	\$35 00	
C S Carlyle. . . . GC				95	95	38 00	
P Hampton.	18			2 80	2 80		
R T Jacks. BR	27			1 05	1 05	93 05	
J H Reams. BR	58			35	35	52 00	
J S Spraggs. . . . CK	29					20 00	
E Waters. BF	5	3	4 50	85	5 35		
N Waters. BF	15	7	1 00	4 50	5 50		

Totals (Agts. 8) 245 10 \$ 5 50 \$22 50 \$28 00 \$238 05

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Octavia Boden. . .	5		\$	\$ 1 75	\$ 1 75	\$ 1 75	
CPBodwell* GC&PG	76	16		30 00	30 00	15 10	
Ezra Eaton. . . . D&R	90	29				91 00	
S F Reeder. BR	6	2	6 00	2 40	8 40		

Jas Turner. . . . BR 46 24 75 00 75 00

Totals (Agts. 5) 223 71 \$81 00 \$34 15 \$115 15 \$107 85

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Emily Billups PP&F	30		\$	\$	\$	\$21 00	
Annie Boyd. . . PP&F	30						
John Campbell PP&F	50	11	25 00		25 00	45 00	
L M Campbell. . BR	79					18 00	
C R Canada. . D&R	38			3 45	3 45	52 00	
Elmer Chastain D&R	47					30 00	
W E Covington BR						8 00	
Fannie B Dorsey BF	26					20 50	
M C Ellis. D&R	69					19 00	
J S Fry. D&R	83	5	10 00	30	10 30	61 00	
Hattie Jacobs. . CK	14					13 00	
Ella Johnson. PP&F	45					66 50	
Lou J McElroy PP&F	72					41 50	
M A Murphy PP&F	26			1 75	1 75	38 00	
Miss M P Sparks D&R	25	3	9 00	1 90	10 90		
E A Taylor. . . . BR	76					90 00	
W E Thomas. . BR	27	11	34 00	5 25	39 25		
Irregulars.	37			6 85	6 85	8 00	
Bibles.						29 45	

Totals (Agts. 17) 774 30 \$78 00 \$19 50 \$97 50 \$560 95

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

R H Hazelton*. GC	105	17	\$35 00	\$ 4 95	\$39 95	\$	
Mrs M E Hinds CK	21	4	7 00	2 70	9 70		
Wm J Keele. . . BS	71	123	92 25		92 25	9 00	
Mrs F E Wagner. .	24	9	19 25		19 25		
F E Wagner. . D&R	62	29	77 90	3 40	81 30	37 90	
J N Womack. . BF	30	10	10 50		10 50		

Totals (Agts. 6) 313 192 \$241 90 \$11 05 \$252 95 \$46 90

Summary from January 1 to Date

Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
Alabama Conference . .	\$16780 70	\$ 798 38	\$4757 60
† Kentucky Conference	15211 41	810 25	6811 56
Louisiana Conference. .	8759 86	547 33	3866 00
Mississippi Conference	30359 50	1292 65	7349 30
Tenn. River Conference	8682 35	502 15	4421 41

Totals. \$79793 72 \$3950 76 \$27205 87

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Magazine Agents' Report Two Weeks Ending Dec. 12, 1914

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Agent	No.	Value
Wm J Keele.	20	\$ 2 00
Mrs Mabel Bollman.	540	54 00
Mrs R W Robertson.	88	8 80

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Octavia Boden.	19	1 90
Bethel Mann.	199	19 90
Viola Mann.	122	12 20

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

† Kentucky Conference.	550	55 00
Totals	1538	\$ 153 80

† One Week ending Dec. 5. * Three Weeks.

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Kentucky.....	January	6-14
Mississippi.....	January	18-26
Louisiana, Welsh.....	January 28-February	6
Alabama.....	February	8-17
Tennessee River.....	February	18-27
Alabama (Colored).....	March	1-9
Mississippi (Colored).....	March	11-20
Louisiana, New Orleans (Colored).....	March	22-31

An Explanation

As is customary with most weekly papers only fifty numbers are printed in a year, the two issues in excess of this number being dropped out at some convenient time. One of these "convenient times" arrived a few days ago which accounts for the absence of the WORKER last week.

It had been our purpose to give notice in advance but a special rush of work at the Publishing House seemed to make it necessary to drop the paper for last week. We trust this has not proved a serious inconvenience to any one and we are glad to again present our paper filled with live news of the work in this field.

EDITOR.

Southern Union Conference News Items

ELDER C. P. BOLLMAN left Nashville Sunday night, the ninth, for Washington, D. C., where he goes to connect with the Review and Herald in the editorial department.

Elder Bollman has been connected with the work in the South many years, more recently in connection with the Publishing House and as editor of the WORKER. His labors in this field have been appreciated, and we are certain all wish him success in his new line of work. Correspondence sent to the Review and Herald, Takoma Park, D. C., will reach him.

Elder S. E. Wight returned Wednesday night, December 16, from a trip through Georgia and Alabama in company with other members of the North American Division Conference Committee. They are visiting a number of our schools and institutions in the South.

Elder R. E. Burke of the Mississippi Conference was a pleasant caller at the union conference office since the date of our last issue. He was on his way to attend the funeral of his father who was killed in an automobile accident.

The Bookmen's Convention for the Southern Publishing Association territory will convene December 24, lasting ten days. This will be an important meeting for this field. Delegates,

including all tract society secretaries and field agents, will be present from the different conferences. Word has recently been received that Elders N. Z. Town, W. W. Eastman, F. W. Paap, and Sister E. M. Graham will all be present during the entire time to assist in the instruction.

Mr. R. Hook Jr., former manager of the Southern Publishing Association, and the present treasurer of the Review and Herald, spent two days last week in Nashville on a hurried business trip.

Mr. G. H. Curtis, Southern Union Conference auditor, began the audit of the Southern Publishing Association books Tuesday, the fifteenth, preparatory to the closing of the books for the year. Mr. J. J. Ireland, the North American Division Conference auditor will also spend some time at the Publishing House at the time of the completion of this work.

The Sabbath-School Worker

THE January *Worker* is just from the press. The following are features in it that are especially nice:

An attractive New Year's motto which may be reproduced on a chart and used during the quarter.

The first of the five-minute exercises on the commandments, to be used in connection with the new Ten Commandment Cards.

The words and music of a song especially appropriate for the children.

The new feature of the Lesson Helps to be used in connection with the study of Matthew are the "Eye-gate" pictures, one for each lesson; a table scene showing the use of blocks and sticks in illustrating. A wealth of information, pictures and drawings, is given in connection with each lesson, which will be helpful to the teachers of all divisions.

Full information concerning the plans for the Training Course beginning in February.

The last page is worthy of a careful reading. When you have read it, you will know exactly what to do next.

Every teacher not having access to the *Sabbath-School Worker* during 1915 will miss that which is of vast importance. It may be just what you need to win your pupils to Christ. The price is only thirty-five cents each for a club of two or more.

"Liberty" Magazine

THE *Liberty* magazine is bringing people into the truth, and is breaking down prejudice. While attending the recent Idaho camp-meeting, I had a good visit with ex-Governor Steunenberg's wife, daughter, and son. I asked Sister Steunenberg how she received the truth. She said, "Your Religious Liberty Department used to send the religious liberty magazine to the governor, and he always read it and then brought it home. Through it I got hold of the true Sabbath, and the children and I began to keep it. I am thankful to God that the governor himself kept the last Sabbath of his life before Harry Orchard blew him up with the bomb." It certainly was refreshing to me to know that this noble family came into the truth in this way.

One of the editors of the *Evening Star*, Washington, D. C., was taken ill recently, and went to the Washington Sanitarium for treatment. On various occasions this editor had expressed himself through his newspaper as being very decidedly in favor of Sunday legislation for the District of Columbia. While at the sanitarium, he picked up a recent issue of the *Liberty* magazine, and read it through. He was thoroughly convinced after reading it that Sunday legislation and Sunday laws are wrong, and he has promised to use his influence in the future against compulsory Sunday legislation.