

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

Alabama Conference

Conference Directory

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, APRIL 8, 1915

Little Things
LITTLE moments make an hour;

No. 14



General Survey of the Work

SINCE the first of the year we have not held a long series of meetings at any one place, but we have visited a number of the churches and attended three colporteur institutes, Birmingham, Montgomery, and Red Level, respectively. The Montgomery institute was for the colored. As this particular line of work will be covered in another article, we will dismiss it with the wish and prayer that this will be the banner year for the colporteur work.

VOL. IX

A Recipe

In our visits among the churches we found them of good courage and anxious for the work. The most of the churches visited are organized for systematic missionary work and are going forth with hope and courage. The Lord has something for every soul to do. He has given to "every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch." The home missionary work holds out its hand to all, offering a place to every churchmember. We are pleased to see so many of the laity taking hold of the opportunities offered. It is the life of the individual, the life of the church, and the means of finishing the work.

We must ever keep in mind our goals for 1915 - a soul brought to Christ for every church-member; more books placed in the hands of the people than in any previous year; our full quota to missions, twenty cents a week per member. To reach these goals will mean a full consecration of ourselves and our all to God. But this is what the Lord expects of us.

While money matters are close and prospects from the financial side do not look so bright, yet our God is not limited or circumscribed by conditions. So we look to him for help and strength, and press forward to do his will. A. L. MILLER.

Reports from Our Workers

Our Aim-To Double Our Membership

WE ARE glad to report that the Lord is blessing the efforts put forth by the Birmingham Church for the advancement of the truth and the salvation of souls. At the close of 1914 our records showed a membership of sixty-two. We started with the slogan, "The Message to Birmingham," and with an aim of at least doubling our membership this year. Our prospects are bright for reaching the goal we have set.

Our missionary society is alive and wide-awake. It has raised \$61.51 during the first quarter. The church is divided into six bands, and each band has been assigned definite territory which we expect to work systematically with the Present Truth Extras. We have used two thousand of number one, and we are now putting out the same quantity of number two. We have purchased twenty-five sets of the Fireside Free Circulating Library, which we are using as fast as we find those who will read more than the paper given them. In addition to this, we have purchased five hundred of the Free Press Extra and have a committee studying the problem of how to get them into the hands of the people where they will do the most good. We are also conducting a vigorous campaign with the Temperance *Instructor*. We have advertised the *Instructor* in the daily papers, and sold them in connection with the meetings of the Flying Squadron and the Anti-Saloon League. We have had the paper announced from the stand and sold in these meetings by our young people. At this writing I cannot tell just how many have been sold, but it must be close to five hundred. We expect to continue this campaign. Some of the proceeds of this effort is being given to carry on our church school.

This quarter we have added fourteen by baptism and eight by letter, and there are now more calls for Bible readings than we are able to fill. To meet this condition we are organizing a class for training members who have volunteered to do Bible work. If there are consecrated young ladies who wish to enter the Bible work and who have at least a common-school education, we would be glad to correspond with them, as we believe they could earn their way here while conducting their studies.

Our church carries a heavy local expense in addition to all other offerings. This quarter we have fallen behind on our twenty-cent-a-week fund and are behind with our church school, but we hope soon to make up these deficits. The tithe of this church is over a hundred dollars per month. Last year it amounted to \$1,779.09. The total amount raised on all funds was \$2,911.65.

We certainly thank the Lord for his blessings to us and we are working and praying, and are expecting great things this year. The conference has planned to hold a tent effort here this summer, and the camp-meeting will also be held here.

Pray for the work in this city. R. I. KEATE.

Progress of the Work in Montgomery

AFTER the camp-meeting held here August 7-17, 1914, and the short effort which followed, the conference committee asked me to remain in this city and take charge of the work. My wife and I have been alone here since Elder Bellinger and his wife left last October. The way has looked dark at times; yet, regardless of the strong opposition we have had to meet, we are glad to say the sun is shining more brightly and the work is moving forward.

There has been an organized church in this place for a good many years, but the work has not grown very rapidly. One thing that has retarded the work here was the lack of a place of worship. We tried nearly every church in the city last fall to see if we could not rent a place in which to meet, but were unable to secure one. As every other way seemed to be closed up, we felt that we should erect a building of our own. We prayed earnestly over this matter, and asked the Lord to open up the way for us to build if this was what he would have us do. Our prayers were answered and the way was opened for us to go ahead with the building just as we had asked, so we felt assured that this was the Lord's will. As soon as the contract was let, the officers of one of the largest churches in town, who before had refused to rent us their church, came to us and said that we might use their building free of charge until our church was completed. All this shows the overruling providence of God.

Our membership has almost doubled itself since the building was completed in November. Others are keeping the Sabbath whe have not yet united with the church. Some are meeting with great persecution in their homes. One lady who has recently begun observing the Sabbath says that her husband is angry and scolds her every time she attends church, but she continues to go regularly. He has forbidden our going to his house any more to hold Bible studies, so she comes to our place for the studies in the afternoon while he is at his work. Recently their roomers moved where they could get cheaper rent, and he says it is because she is keeping the Sabbath and they did not like the influence. Pray that this sister may have strength to endure.

Mrs. Wright has been selling *The Watchman* each month. Two of our young ladies went out for the first time this week with *The Watchman* and came back with a glowing report. Their enthusiasm has inspired others to take up the work. The missionary society also is doing much good with tracts and papers. A good work was done with the Harvest Ingathering *Review*.

Notwithstanding the hard times this winter, we are thankful that our tithes and offerings are increasing. For all these blessings we can but "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

We thank the Lord for a part in this closing work. The end is near and hasteneth greatly. Soon the Lord will come to take his children home. There will be joy when the work is done. Pray for us that we may win souls for the kingdom and befound faithful in that day. JOHN F. WRIGHT.

Encouraging Outlook

WEEK after week reports come from the firing line giving the results of the efforts put forth by our faithful colporteurs. Sometimes the figures spell advance, again they show a seeming defeat.

Not until the past few weeks have our colporteurs been able to fall in line and put in the desired time. Institutes and sickness, combined with other things, have reduced the working time; but these things being in the past, we expect to see real improvement in the reports. A study of the following report shows that an average of eighty-five cents worth of orders was the result per hour. We find that full time of forty hours per week for each of the eighteen colporteurs would have resulted in over \$7,000 worth of orders at the present rate of value per hour. Several of the reports are from students in our school who are very anxious to begin their summer's work.

Brother C. L. Ryals is rejoicing in the success the Lord is giving him, and for the time spent has averaged \$2.27 worth of orders per hour. Others are doing remarkably well, and doubtless this average will be raised. O. R. GODSMARK.

Colporteurs' Report for Quarter Ending Mar. 27, 1915

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Name	Hrs.	Ords.	Val.	Helps	Total	Deliv.
G W Brown \ldots	45	13	\$33 00	\$	\$33 00	\$6 00
Samuel Earl	21	7	760	3 10	10 60	
D A Fisher	56	10	30 00	1 05	31 05	
Panza Garrigan	7	6	8 00		8 00	3 00
B N Grant	45	19	64 00	5 50	69 50	43.50
M L Ivory	184	12	34 00	1 05	35 03	
R T Jacks	137	31	96-00	70	96 70	40 00
C Jenson	II	I	3 00	5 00	8 00	19 00
Marguerite Keate.	3	3	4 00		4 00	
E L Marley	173	65	206 00		206 00	3 00
Ralph Meade	68	33	92 00	3 75	95 75	
H G Miller	73	16	52 00	85	52 85	
Mrs M Miller	54	41	30 75		30 75	11 25
J H Reams	151	37	115 00	7 40	122 40	36 00
C L Ryals	66	47	150 00	35	150 35	3 00
Mrs O Sudduth				4 75	4 75	
J W Wade	29	4	12 00	1 05	13 05	
Ernest Waters	81	24	77 50	1 95	79 45	
Norman Waters	15	II	18 50	60	19 10	4 00

O. R. GODSMARK, Secretary.

"God never leads his children otherwise than they would choose to be led, if they could see the end from the beginning, and discern the glory of the purpose which they are fulfilling as coworkers with him."—"The Desire of Ages," by Mrs. E. G. White, p. 258, trade edition.

Southern Union Worker Supplement

Publishing and Colporteur Work

Publishing House Notes

ON SUNDAY night, March 28, the Publishing House chorus, under the direction of Brother J. L. McConaughey, rendered a cantata, "The Nazarene," to a most appreciative audience. This was given in the Publishing House chapel, which was packed to overflowing. There were about thirty voices in the chorus, a number of whom had special parts. All did exceptionally well, and those present were made to realize perhaps a little more fully than ever before, the power of song upon the human heart and the price paid for man's redemption.

Miss May B. Warren, who has been filling the position of proofreader for nearly a year, returned to her home in Graysville last week, preparatory to taking up another line of work. Concerning this "line of work," no doubt our interesting and breezy contemporary in east Tennessee, *Field Tidings*, will have something special to say in due time. During Miss Warren's sojourn in Nashville she endeared herself to the Publishing House family and others with whom she associated, and all were sorry to see her leave. In filling her place, the Office has been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. R. C. Gray for the present. Sister Gray returns temporarily to her old position, which she acceptably filled for some time prior to Miss Warren's connection with the Office.

Number four of the Publishing House Exchange was held last Thursday evening in the chapel. As explained in the March 4 issue of the WORKER, one object of this "Exchange" is to enable the workers of one department to become more conversant with the work in the other departments, thus increasing the efficiency of the Office. Another object is to afford the families and friends of the employees living here, the opportunity of becoming better informed concerning the work of the Publishing House.

The preceding "Exchange" was devoted to the composing, or type department, while the one held last week took up the pressroom. The following program was rendered:

PROGRAM NO. 4

I "All Hail Immanuel" Chorus
2 Opening Remarks
3 Solo G. H. Curtis
4 Evolution of the Printing Press A. J. Stagg
5 "Kentucky Home" Watchman Quartet
6 Outline of Pressroom Work W. A. Harvey
7 Recitation Mrs. W. A. Harvey
8 Make-ready, Including Patent Overlays J. P. Foree
9 Duties of a Press Feeder Gilbert Knox
10 "Thinking of Home" Brass Quartet
11 The Job Press J. B. Krauss
12 Troubles of a Pressman R. C. Gray
13 Duet Miss Hazel Wood and H. L. Morphew
14 "Suwanee River" Watchman Quartet

Like the preceding programs, this proved to be not only instructive and practical, but also intensely interesting. The workers taking part made these exhibits very comprehensive, as well as entertaining. The next one will be devoted to the work in the bindery. R. L. PIERCE.

ALTHOUGH two editions of the April *Watchman* were printed, they were exhausted by the morning of April 2. Orders for the May number are pouring in by both mail and wire.

Our Training Schools

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News Notes from the Southern Training School

LAST Saturday night, March 27, we were entertained by the canvassers' band of the Missionary Volunteer Society. On the Thursday morning before, five of their number had started for a two days' canvassing trip about ten miles from Graysville. This meeting gave them opportunity to tell what they did. At eight o'clock, the band, twenty-five in all, filed on to the platform in the chapel, and we watched a most interesting exhibition of "Great Controversy," in which the full-morocco binding was landed. Then the five came in "from the field," and we listened as they sat around their evening table and told of their experiences. There was nothing made up, or rehearsed beforehand in this; the experiences were real and fresh from their source. Together they had taken \$94 worth of orders, and worked seventy hours; \$1.34 an hour. The boys who went out to the firing line were: Earl Jeys, Ellis Howard, Walter Kirkham, Alby Paul, and John Grounds. This is just a sample of what we may expect from this whole band next summer.

On Sabbath afternoon the quarterly service was held. Quite a number of our students enjoyed the privilege here given. We listened to Elder Locken in the morning, as he spoke from 2 Peter 3:9: "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness." Elder Locken is also in from the firing line at Bristol, Tenn.

After a most interesting exercise in the Sabbath School, telling of the needs of the field and our opportunity to help in it, the school gave about \$13.50 for the Malaysian field, and only wished they could give more.

We are sorry to report that Professor Wood has been ill the past few days. A hard case of grip and general throat trouble took him out of regular school work the latter part of the week, but he is gaining quite rapidly and will soon be back to his classes. We ask your prayers that God may bless our school's closing days, and prevent Satan from getting in his work any more this year.

Of General Interest

Significant

MORE and more as we near the close of earth's history it will be demonstrated and testified to by incidents and dignitaries that God's Word as believed by his faithful children is verity and truth. Well did Holmes say, "Truth is tough; it will not break, like a bubble, at a touch. Nay, you may kick it about all day like a football and it will be round and full at evening. Truth gets well if she is run over by a locomotive, while error dies of lockjaw if she but scratches her finger."

For nearly three-quarters of a century this people have believed and taught that the world would come to an end and Christ would come in our day and generation. Few have believed this great, startling, yet precious truth; but in spite of opposition, ridicule, and scorn, this truth has lived on, and today it is fastening its grip upon men in every walk of life and of all beliefs. Today, February 18, in the columns of one of our great dailies are the following significant words:

"World May Be Ended by War, Cardinal Believes.

"Baltimore, Feb. 18 .- That it looks as if the Scriptures are

being fulfilled and the end of the world is approaching, is the belief of Cardinal Gibbons. The prelate made the statement during a general discussion of the war.

"''Have you any news to give out?' he was asked.

"'News,' he repeated, hesitating for a moment. 'No, I think not, but the news coming from Europe is terrible. That awes me. It is beyond our realization. We cannot grasp its magnitude, or what it means. It is terrible -- horrible, indeed.'

"' 'Does it not look as if the Scriptures are being fulfilled? - Nation shall rise against nation, and there shall be sorrow throughout the world, which will be a sign that the end is near?' he was asked.

"' 'Yes, it does,' he admitted, in reply. 'Think for a moment what this war means, if you can; I cannot. When one life is lost on board ship, all the country is startled. When the Titanic sank with more than 1,000 of its passengers, the world was horrified. That was a thing that occurred only once. Loss of life in great numbers occurs only once in a while.

"'But now, in this greatest war of the world, a thousand, nay, one hundred thousand lives are being sacrificed every hour the war continues." -- Washington Herald.

Our colporteurs and home missionary workers could use this statement of Cardinal Gibbons as an introduction for literature which deals with this fulfilling of the signs of which he speaks.

What effect should these conceptions have upon the children of God? Surely they should lead us to a fuller consecration of every power of our beings to God's service. We should strike a higher key, and sing with heart and soul and voice, "Oh, we see the gleams of the golden morning piercing through this night of gloom." F. W. PAAP.

Mississippi Conference

Conference Directory

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Membership 311

Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund Quota to Mar. 31 Amount Paid \$808.60 \$179.95

To Be Raised

\$628.65

Sunset Calendar

Friday, April 9, sun sets 6:26

News Notes

ELDER WIEST spent Sabbath at Hattiesburg, where he spoke to both the white and colored churches. He reports a good interest along the line of missionary endeavors in the mission church.

Elder N. B. King was a caller at the office the past week. He has gone to Yazoo City to begin a tent effort at that place.

Brother C. A. Howard writes: "While the folks are complaining of hard times, I am going after \$125 worth of orders next week."

Brother E. Chastain reports \$63.40 worth of orders taken in one day.

We have on hand a few hundred of the Review Extra No. 2 which we very much desire to get before the people. These papers will be sent to any address, fifty for thirty cents, or one hundred for fifty cents.

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Conference Directory

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund							
Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To Be Raised				
426	\$1,107.60	\$476.07	\$631.53				

Sunset Calendar

News Items

BROTHER HARP has now located his family in Harrison County, and will canvass for "Bible Readings."

Brother Hickman has assisted several of the colporteurs the past week. Among them was J. R. Staton, who is just entering the work. Let all our brethren pray for our faithful colportenrs

Elder Brown visited the Hazel Academy the past week. He also spent several days at Bowling Green. He reports one added to the church during his stay there.

Brother J. E. All, who has made his home in Louisville for some time, has gone to South Carolina to work.

Brother W. H. White sends word that the attendance is good at his meetings. He also states that a Sabbath School has been organized.

Brother H. E. Beck writes that he is of good courage in the work and expects to labor and pray for six hundred souls in the conference this year.

Word has been received at the office telling of a little girl in Louisville who prays every day for God to give us six hundred souls this year. This is a good example for all to follow.

Brother T. L. Bryant of Bowling Green has returned with his family from Florida, where they have spent the winter.

Sister Cranie of the Louisville Church has been quite sick for some weeks, but word received recently brings the report that she is now improving.

Sister Lawson of the Louisville Church is spending some time at Pewee Valley. She does not forget to pray for the Lord's work in Kentucky.

Brother C. W. Vermillion writes that he is closing up his business and will enter the colporteur work April 1.

Brother Longacre has been confined to his bed for the past two weeks with rheumatism. It is reported that he is improving.

Brother Chas. Rhul, who is at present attending the Hazel Academy, writes that he is anxious to get out and sell "Bible Readings."

Brother Cannon of Marion is reported quite sick. We hope he will soon recover

Sister Edna Callender writes that eighteen were present at the Sabbath School at Henderson last Sabbath. We are glad for this report.

We are truly living in stirring times, and it behooves each church-member to dedicate his life to God. If the Holy Spirit impresses you to enter the work of selling the printed page. do not delay. The same power that calls you to work will make you successful. There are no hard times with God. Praver will sell the books.

Our Colporteur Work

SINCE the first of the year we have held three institutes for the colporteurs: two white and one colored. Our first institute was held with the Birmingham Church, a report of which was given by Elder Wight. The workers who entered the field after this institute have been meeting with reasonably good success in their work and are of good courage. It was my privilege to be in the field with some of the workers and, notwithstanding the close times, our work has been very satisfactory and on an average equal to that of last year. We have every reason to believe that orders taken under the present conditions will deliver much better than orders taken last year. A number of the colporteurs have made small deliveries and have met with excellent success. Because of sickness in the home of one of the colporteurs, I was called to make his delivery for him. We met with the best of success in making the delivery, and by the Lord's help delivered every book but one, postponing its delivery until a later date. I feel sure the book will yet be placed in this home. We delivered one book to the foreman of a big cotton mill. Returning in a few hours to the mill to collect for another book purchased by one of the employees, we found the foreman and other employees of the mill discussing the Sabbath question, using "Bible Readings for the Home Circle" as their text-book. These men were very courteous and asked a number of questions regarding Seventh-day Adventists and the work they were doing, and their views on the European war.

Beginning March first, in company with Brother Davis, we held a ten days' meeting with the church at Montgomery for the colored colporteurs. This meeting was marked with the special blessing of the Lord from the first. While the attendance was not so large as we had hoped, yet we feel that those who were present returned to their fields of labor with a determination to go forward at the Lord's command. Elder Dasent had the burden of the Bible instruction at this meeting, giving some very practical studies on Christian living and the work of God in the earth. We were pleased to have Elder Miller and Brother Godsmark with us the last two days of the meeting. Brother Godsmark gave us some very timely instruction on the inside work of the man who stays "by the stuff."

After the meeting at Montgomery, in company with Elder Miller, we went to Red Level to conduct a local institute for the colporteurs in the southern part of the State. This meeting was held with the little company of believers at Sister Leitzman's school, three miles from the town of Red Level. The interest was very good from the first and the people all felt the need of more training for missionary work. There were eight who took the class drill, and we will get a number of good workers from that part of the State. The outside interest was good and the house was filled to its full capacity by eager listeners to the talks given on "The European War," "Signs of the Times," and other timely topics by Elder Miller at the night services. Three took their stand for the truth, and it is hoped others who are in the valley of decision will yet decide in favor of this great message. Brother and Sister Leitzman are doing a good work at this place and have the confidence of the people in the neighborhood.

After the institute we went to the field with Brother Ryals, a young man who is working for a scholarship in the Graysville Academy for another year. We were with him only a part of three days, but the Lord blessed us with \$57 worth of orders in twenty-two hours, and a card just received from him states that he has fourteen more orders amounting to \$45. Certainly the Lord is fulfilling his promise. The words of the Lord to Moses were: "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward." "The Lord shall fight for you." Ex. 14:15, 14. I know the God of heaven is sufficient for these things, and in the strength of Jehovah let us GO FORWARD. Who knoweth but we have "come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

M. L. WILSON.

Precious Experiences in the Bible Work

SINCE coming to Birmingham two and a half years ago, I have been in the Bible work. Many and varied are the experiences one meets in this work. But this line of the Lord's work is one of the best means to reach the hearts of the people. As we go to the homes each week we get the confidence of the people, and so step by step lead them to Christ. So often it has been said, "Oh, if you had never come to my home, I would never have heard this truth." Going from house to house and giving this message is the work I love. My courage is good and with my Saviour's help I mean to press on.

A number have united with the church. One who joined has much opposition to meet in her home. Her husband has just recently moved his family to the southern part of the State and forbidden his wife to ever again speak or write to an Adventist. She is still doing the best she can under the circumstances, and asks our prayers.

Another reader joined the church last Sabbath, March 27. She is just a young girl. Her mother joined last November. There is another who is much interested and told her people she was going to join the Adventist Church. She has been attending the Sabbath services quite regularly for the last two months. There are others who intend to join before long, and still others who acknowledge this message is right, but say they cannot keep the Sabbath because of their business. Pray for them that they may seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness. MRS. M. L. WILSON.

Encouraging Experiences in Decatur

I AM thankful to report through the WORKER in regard to what I have been doing in this part of the field.

Since locating here a few months ago I have been in very poor health, unable to put in anything like full time, but I have delivered quite a number of "Bible Readings" and have a nice little delivery to make shortly.

One man, a postal clerk and a leader in the Christian Church, after shaking hands with me on the street the other day, said that he found the book I delivered to him to be just as represented, that it was very instructive and that I had his congratulations for circulating a book of that kind.

I called at a residence the other day where I had left a War Extra a few days before. After canvassing the lady and calling her attention especially to the Eastern Question, she asked me if I was not the man that left the paper at her door. I told her that I was. She said her husband was very much interested in it and carried it to the shop with him to read and show others. They were anxious to get something more on this, so it resulted in taking an order for "Bible Readings."

Although I am not yet feeling well, I am full of courage and am thankful to the Lord that I have a part in giving the closing message. Pray for the book work at Decatur.

R. T. JACKS.

The Work in Mobile and Vicinity

SINCE our last report from this part of the field, we have been busy and the Lord has been with us.

The work is moving on nicely in Mobile and vicinity. Our new Sabbath-keepers all seem to rejoice in the truth, although some of them are being tried. We are praying daily that they may stand the test and gain the victory.

The church here has taken hold with great zeal and determination to bring at least one soul to Christ for each member of the church this year. Surely it would be a grand thing to see all our churches double their membership this year. We believe it can be done.

March 10-18 I spent with the Stapleton Church. We held our Sabbath School and quarterly meeting on Sabbath. Each night and on Sunday we held meetings in the schoolhouse for the benefit of the public. The house was well filled and quite an interest was manifested.

I also held three night meetings at Pine Grove. The weather was cold and rainy, but we had a good crowd. As a result of this meeting six adults took their stand to obey God. I will visit them again the first Sabbath in April, when we expect these souls to be added to the church. Others are interested and we trust will take their stand.

I will be at Luverne next Sabbath and Sunday to visit the little company there and baptize those who are ready. Our courage is good. We are thankful for a part in the Lord's work, and want to be at the battle's front when it is finished. Whistler, Ala. JAMES BELLINGER.

Sabbath School Report, Year Ending Dec. 31, 1914 CONFERENCE SCHOOLS

	Av.	Off. f	or.	13th S	• h	Ban
School	Mem.			Off.		tisms
Birmingham	. 60	\$ 214	13	\$ 81	41	13
Mobile		137	-	-	35	Ū
Silverhill	. 14	66	01	17	-	8
Montgomery		47	08	15	.09	
Fairhope		31	17	13	20	
Elkwood		27	97	9	36	5
Citronelle	. 6	26	97	II		-
Borden Springs	· 44	25	78	7	08	
Red Level		21	58	II	38	
Summerdale	. 11	21	05	4	55	6
Sheffield		17	92		71	
Ashford	. 14	17	08	4	18	2
Gadsden	. 6	15	16	7	49	4
Long Island No 1		12	82		05	•
Rockford	· 4	11	15		80	
Long Island No 3	. 27	10	12	2	43	
Lynn Haven		7	97		54	
Long Island No 2		7	74		20	
Stapleton		5	70	-	60	
Santa Rosa			95	-	24	
Luverne	. 13		50	•		
Totals	. 391	\$ 727	94	\$ 277	85	38
MIS	SION	Schools				
Oakwood	. 91	\$ 99	30	\$ 73	53	
Montgomery	· 42		59		71	
Dothan	. 27	46	09	25	11	
Birmingham	. 41	35	92	8	69	4
Pensacola	. 45		60		22	2
Huntsville		20	67	5	42	2
Mobile	. 19	17	60	7	09	28
Decatur			08		07	
Sylacauga	. 23	5	73	I	80	
Sycamore		I	05	I	75	
Home Schools			52			
Camp-meeting		8	00			
Totals	· 335	\$ 328	15	\$ 175	39	36
He	ome S	CHOOLS				
A McKinnon	0	\$ 25	80	\$ 3	70	
Mrs C E Kelly	. 6	10	82	2	35	
Warren Maust	. 3	7	20	3	10	
Mrs P Threadgill	. г	5	55	2	50	

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Miss G A Feagin

Mrs C W Jones

Geo Threadgill

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Mrs W W Harwell	5	2	45		1 05	
C E Giles	7	2	40		10	
Mrs Ada Jacks	6	2	34		35	
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Our total offerings for the year 1914 amounted to \$1,688.15, an increase of \$342.96 over the year 1913. The membership given in this report is the average membership reported throughout the year.

Seventy-four baptisms are reported. We are quite sure there are more than this, for you will see by the report that most of the schools report none. It hardly seems possible that a Sabbath School would continue for a whole year without bringing some to the Saviour. We hope the secretaries will be faithful in reporting this item, for that more than the financial part shows the prosperity of the school. A good report in both lines shows an ideal condition for a Sabbath School.

HELEN M. KEATE, Sabbath School Secretary.

Church Dedication

ON SUNDAY, March 7, 1915, at 3 P. M., the First Seventhday Adventist Church of Montgomery, Ala., was dedicated. Elder A. L. Miller delivered the dedicatory sermon, and Brother J. W. Davis offered prayer. Although it was a cold and dreary day, our hearts were made to rejoice to see the house well filled.

The Montgomery Church was organized at the home of Brother J. F. Dennis, December 2,1894. Since that time the work has moved slowly. In the last two years one tent effort and two camp-meetings have been held in this city. Reaping very little from these meetings, and realizing that our not having a place of worship was a great hindrance to the work, we moved out by faith, and a neat building was erected last October. This has already given prestige to the work and a better spirit now prevails in the church and among those who are interested. An indebtedness of \$800 still remains. Any donations will be thankfully received.

Following the service Sabbath morning, March 6, two precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism and united with the church. Others are keeping the Sabbath. This makes ten additions since the last of September, 1914, giving a membership of nineteen at present. Also at this service Brother H. H. Burkett was ordained as deacon and the writer as first elder of the church.

The work is onward and we desire to be remembered at the throne of grace that a goodly number may be ready and waiting the Lord's return in this the capital city of Alabama.

J. F. WRIGHT. Montgomery, Ala.

Visiting the Churches in the Alabama Mission

THE work of the third angel's message in the Alabama Mission is moving onward. While it is true that Satan, knowing that the time is short, seeks at every point to counteract the work of the Lord, and the prevailing critical conditions brought about largely by the European war have affected us unfavorably, yet despite these hindrances words of cheer and courage are heard throughout the field, especially at those places where our workers are located.

During the first quarter of 1915 I was granted the privilege of visiting most of our churches and companies.

My time in Montgomery during the quarter has been spent largely in instructing the church in home missionary work, faithfulness in tithe and offerings, and economic living. Realizing the work of God in the earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church-membership rally to the work, our people not only in Montgomery but in Birmingham, Pensacola, and other places have resolved to do all that lies in their power to hasten the Lord's coming. The Home Missionary Series and the lessons learned at the recent Home Missionary Convention were very helpful to me in giving my instruction. Results of home missionary work are already seen in our churches.

Marked improvement along the line of tithe and offerings is looked forward to during the year. Never before have our people been as interested in foreign missions and the twentycent-a-week fund as they are at the present time. Hundreds of copies of *The Watchman* Extra and dozens of the magazines have been sold and distributed by the Montgomery Home Missionary Society, and many of our readers are becoming interested in the times in which we are now living. A ten days' meeting was held here during the institute early in March. At these meetings many requested prayer for themselves, relatives and friends. The effort proved a source of strength to our people.

SYLACAUGA

For the past two years the church in Sylacauga has had a very bitter experience, but the Lord has been with them and helped them. I visited this place early in February and was pleased to find the work revived and recent additions to the church reported.

PENSACOLA

On account of poor health Sister L. McAllister, our Bible worker there, has not been as active as she would like to have been. However, she has been instrumental in bringing many to a knowledge of the truth. I recently held a ten days' meeting at this place. At the close of the meetings seven new converts, all adults, were received by baptism as members of the church. J. G. DASENT.

Progress of the Work in Mobile

THE work in Mobile is moving along nicely. Within the past few weeks two dear souls have decided to step out upon the everlasting promises of God and keep his commandments; and we are expecting more, as we are not satisfied and will not be until our work on earth is completed. I find it easier to reach the people now than ever before, and I believe the rapid yet wonderful changes that are now taking place all over the world have brought about this change in the minds of the people. I can now reach people here who some time ago would not listen to anything I might say, or read our literature even if offered to them free. While the devil is working with power, yet we can see the Holy Spirit is working with greater power.

We lost one of our members by death several weeks ago and quite a number of our members are yet on the sick list, but those who are able are working faithfully.

S. D. MILLER.

The Harvest Time is Here

THE work in Bessemer looks very encouraging. Our meetings on Sabbath and Sunday get better each week. We meet in Sutton's Hall on Twenty-first Street, between First and Carline Avenues. Our interest is good, and though the people of this city have been having a hard time because of nearly all the factories being closed, yet the Lord has wonderfully blessed those that trust him. The enemy is pressing hard his thoughts of unbelief. But even though some waver, one more has accepted the truth. We can see and realize that all things are working together for the good of God's people, who will soon be gathered home.

The Birmingham Church has received a new impetus and the missionary spirit is alive. Recently we have had four additions, and expect to add a good many more in a week or two. The missionary bands are active and results are being seen from their faithful efforts. Everywhere I go I can see souls ready for this message. We are indeed in the harvest time. May God send us sheaves to gather into his garner before it is too late. Our missionary society has given one hundred and thirty-two Bible readings, with an attendance of one hundred and seventy persons. Think what rejoicing it would cause in heaven to hear these souls cry out, "What shall we do to be saved?"

The work at Sylacauga is onward. God has blessed his people and their hearts are blended together in Christian love. Some have made a new start to follow the Lord wherever he leadeth. Others confessed their weakness, and by his help resolved to trust in his promises. Backsliders have returned to the fold with softened hearts. Seven additions have been made by baptism to this church, and officers full of zeal established. The company at Sycamore unites with this church in an active missionary campaign. May God bless his people and grant them souls for their hire that will bring glory to his name. R. ROBERTS.

Bessemer, Ala.

Mission Work in Dothan

WE THANK God for the third angel's message and the way it is being received by the people with whom we are laboring in Dothan. The admonition is, "Fear God and keep his commandments"; this being so, greater efforts are being put forth to educate along this line. But in many instances, we are meeting with stubborn resistance. These hindrances are a help to many insomuch that they are studying the Bible with greater earnestness. Yet this is not all. Many are finding the importance of attending our meetings to learn more. It was my privilege to speak to a large crowd of visitors on Sunday night, March 14, in our little church. They all expressed themselves as being greatly helped, and said they would do everything they could to hold up the work in this city. Many are now on the verge of taking their stand for the truth, and some have decided to obey. Pray that these dear souls may be saved.

Our Sabbath School is increasing in membership. The mission school has attracted the attention of some of the pupils and drawn them into the Sabbath School. Our school is doing well, though we have not quite as large an enrolment as we had expected. This is due to the hard times. There are many who desire to send their children, but for lack of funds they have been unable to do so. Our average attendance is about thirtynine. Taken all in all, the future looks hopeful.

C. A. BLACKWOOD.

Over Thirty Years in His Service

OVER thirty-one years ago I heard and received this blessed truth. The coming of the Lord was a joyful message, and it indeed seemed very near. I began to dispose of some of my few earthly possessions and entered the service of the Master. I can truly say goodness and mercy have followed me all these years. I have found his yoke easy and his burden light. It is restful to work with the Saviour.

His coming is much nearer than when I believed. As each day comes freighted with its privileges and opportunities, I am so thankful for a humble part and place in the vineyard of the Lord. It is a great joy to go about doing whatsoever our hands and heart find to do. We are to find access to the people knowing angels of God attend us to the dwellings of those we visit. We will need presevering faith, unwavering patience, and love for souls. The angels are constantly seeking to bring every child of God to work in the Lord's vineyard.

These are solemn days —"court week" with each of us. We each have a case pending in the heavenly court.

I do this day renew my consecration for service, "a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and meet for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work."

MOLLIE LONG MILLER.

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To Be Raised
699	\$1,817.40	\$504.56	\$1,312.84

Sunset Calendar

Friday, April 9, sun sets..... 6:32

To Church Clerks and Missionary Secretaries

REPORT blanks for the first quarter of 1915 have been mailed, and doubtless you will have received the same by the time this reaches you.

Please be prompt in filling out these reports. We wish them returned to the office not later than the eighth of April. If you have not received a blank, write to the office at once, and one will be sent you. We are hopeful of having better reports for the first quarter than we have had for any previous quarter. Please help us to make this result possible.

F. C. BRUCE.

News Items

BROTHER ELLIOTT writes that he has just closed a good meeting at Leach. Two were baptized and united with the church. Others are deeply interested and expect to unite with the church a little later.

Brother Bishop has a good report this week, after a few weeks' illness. We are certainly glad he can be in the work again after a short absence.

We are sorry to report that Brother Keele is confined to his bed with fever. Sister Keele has gone to Paducah to care for her husband in his illness.

Brother Young writes that he and Brother Widgery expect to do a good work in Bedford County, the county seat, Shelbyville, being their headquarters.

Have you renewed your subscription to the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER yet? If you have not, you had better do so at once. Subscription price, fifty cents a year. Order through the tract society. If you are not familiar with this little paper, ask the office to mail you a sample copy. It will be sent free of charge.

Brother Rooker sent in a remittance last week. He writes

that the work is onward in his community. His boys have ordered several copies of "The World's Crisis."

Several of the students at Hazel have ordered "The World's Crisis," and have disposed of a large number of these books.

Ways of Using the Berean Library

THE Berean Library consists of eleven volumes, bound in paper in a neat and attractive form. It contains some of the best of our literature, as will be seen from the following list:

"Steps to Christ"	\$	25
"Thoughts on Daniel"		25
"Thoughts on Revelation"		35
"His Glorious Appearing"		15
"The Sabbath in the Scriptures"		25
"The Sabbath in History"		50
"Capital and Labor"		25
"Here and Hereafter"		25
"Bible Footlights"		35
"Our Paradise Home"		15
"Religious Liberty in America"		35
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Complete set, postpaid	\$ 2	00

The members of one church are doing splendid work with this Berean Library. They have several complete sets, and every Sunday morning some of them go to near-by towns to carry on the work of a circulating library. They leave a book with those whom they visit, and say they will call for it the following Sunday. When they go again, they leave another book of the set, and in this way several sets of the books are being read by interested persons. Through these weekly visits to the same persons, opportunity is given to become acquainted, a good interest is aroused, and other books on various subjects are asked for. This is an excellent way of using the Berean Library, and every church and every Sabbath-keeper should take an active part in this work.

One or more sets should be given to every hospital that will accept them, with the request that they be passed from patient to patient. Being in paper covers, they are of light weight, and so are especially suitable for invalids. Most public institutions would willingly accept a set for the use of their inmates. It may be possible to place sets in some prisons. We should not neglect any class, but should endeavor to use every possible avenue by which we may reach souls.

These books may also be sold. Some church workers are succeeding well in doing this, and find that many persons are glad to buy these inexpensive books. Some of them, such as "His Glorious Appearing," "Capital and Labor," "Our Paradise Home," and "Religious Liberty in America," would be suitable to lend to fellow travelers when making long journeys on trains.

Order of the Tennessee River Tract Society, 509 Cole Building, Nashville, Tenn.

A BIBLE reading on the meaning of current events is one of the features of the May number of the *Signs Magazine*. It is interesting and impressive. We recommend a generous circulation of this excellent May number.

"THE man who commanded, 'Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, moon, in the valley of Ajalon,' is the man who for hours lay prostrate upon the earth in prayer in the camp at Gilgal. The men of prayer are the men of power."—"Patriarchs and Prophets," p. 509.

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and Prophets," by Mrs. E. G. White, p. 45.

"In the Image of God"

"MAN was to bear God's image, both in outward resemblance and in character. Christ alone is 'the express image' [Heb. 1:3] of the Father; but man was formed in the likeness

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News Items

ELDER S. E. WIGHT went to Louisville on March 31 to make arrangements with A. M. Minnis to do the carpenter work on the girls' dormitory to be erected at Huntsville. The carpenters are now waiting on the architect for the plans. The foundation of the building is already prepared.

The committees of the Southeastern and Southern Unions are to meet in Huntsville on April 27 for a joint meeting to consider educational problems in the two unions. It is expected that Elder I. H. Evans and Professor Frederick Griggs will attend this meeting. They will be on their way from Loma Linda, Calif., to Washington, D. C.

Brother G. H. Curtis left Monday, April 5, for Huntsville, Ala., to audit the books of the Oakwood School and prepare a statement to be laid before the committee at their meeting.

After spending a few days in Nashville following the institute in Greenville, Brother J. W. Davis left Wednesday, April 7, for Hazel, Ky., where an institute will be held for the benefit of the students.

Elder Sydney Scott has just finished a very interesting series of meetings in the church at New Orleans, with Elder Buckner. He is now in Mississippi visiting the churches. He expects to spend some time in Memphis, Tenn., in the interest of the new church building that is being planned for the second church.

Brother R. L. Pierce, manager of the Southern Publishing Association, spent Sunday, March 28, at the Hillcrest School Farm.

Brother Davis spoke at the second Seventh-day Adventist Church Sabbath, April 3, on church work.

"I AM heartily in favor of religious liberty and the absolute separation of church and state."— Henry Vollmer, United States Representative from Iowa.

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Sunset Calendar

Friday, April 9, sun sets..... 6:26

News Items

BROTHER H. H. HALL of the Pacific Press is expected to make our office a business call within a few days.

Brother C. P. Bodwell writes that he has been sick with grip for some time, and was obliged to postpone his delivery on that account.

Brother Boswell is now in the southern part of the State, assisting the colporteurs there with their deliveries.

From letters received from Welsh, we learn that two more have taken their stand for the truth there, and we are hopeful that still others will do the same. Sister Paul has been doing faithful work in visiting and Bible work since the meetings closed.

Brother McLennan reports the baptism at Shreveport of five persons on Sabbath, March 20. Three of these are the result of a meeting he recently held in Claiborne, a suburb of Shreveport. We rejoice in this substantial fruit. He writes that he will leave for Welsh on the twenty-ninth, where he will spend two or three weeks prior to the baptism to take place there.

Elder O. F. Frank has begun a tent meeting at Tioga, in the neighborhood where Brethren Reeder and Seeley live. We hope all our people will unite in prayer for the success of this meeting.

Brother G. B. Boswell, our State agent, has moved his family from Alexandria to Terryville, near Arcadia.

Obituary

DUFFY.— Mr. James Duffy, husband of Sister Elizabeth Duffy of New Orleans, died recently. He had been in poor health since last November, and had been confined to his bed for nine weeks. During the last few days of his life, it was my privilege to visit his bedside several times and talk and pray with him. Though he had in a general way adhered to the Catholic faith throughout his life, in his last days he gave clear evidence of a change of sentiment. He claimed the promise of sins forgiven, and expressed a desire to become a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church if his life should be spared to enable him to do so. The funeral service was held at the residence on March 21, the writer officiating, and was attended by a large circle of friends, as well as by all the members of the family. Our sympathy goes out to Sister Duffy and her family, and we commend them to the God of all comfort.

R. W. PARMELE.

WHEN the Hebrews compared a stronger affection with a weaker one, they called the first *love*, and the other *haired*.— *Clarke*.

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