

SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

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

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Closing Exercises at Hazel Academy

THE graduating exercises of Hazel Academy were held Sunday night, April 25, as announced, thus marking the close of the fourteenth session of the school.

An earnest class of eight students finished the work outlined by the school (ten grades), and have gone to their work for the vacation, or to their homes.

Miss Terry expects to spend part of the time selling magazines in Meridian, Miss., near her home.

Miss Holt is selling magazines in the Mississippi Conference.

Miss Forney will sell magazines in Louisville, Ky.

Miss Rees goes to her home in San Antonio, Texas, and will work there part of the time.

Ray Parker expects to canvass for "Bible Readings" in the Tennessee River Conference.

Miss Dortch will also canvass for "Bible Readings" this summer.

Miss Peterson plans to sell magazines in the western part of Mississippi.

R. D. Peterson is selling "Bible Readings" again in northern Mississippi.



The Graduating Class at Hazel Academy

Reading from left to right—front row: Susie Terry, Ruby Holt, Ethel Forney, Verle Rees
Back row: Ray Parker, Wilhelmina Dortch, Medea Peterson, R. D. Peterson

Most of the class plan to continue their school work in the Southern Training School next year.

We are glad that each one has determined to give his whole service to the work of God, and to push on with his preparation till he is well equipped for the work he has chosen.

Of the twenty-eight graduates since 1910, twenty-one are either connected in some way with the organized work or are making further preparation for it. This is seventy-five per cent, which is very good in consideration of the fact that the grades do not go beyond the intermediate. Our schools are the "gateway to service" for most of our young people who take up the work of heralding this truth. Dear reader, will you not do all you can to encourage every youth among us, of proper age and character, to attend our schools next fall and receive a training for service?

"With such an army as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon might the message of a risen and soon-coming Saviour be given to the world!"

The last Friday evening vesper service was a blessed occasion. Many expressed their thankfulness to God for the privilege of attending the school, and for his many blessings during the past year, and expressed their desire that they might show their thankfulness by a life of usefulness for him in their homes, or at their post of duty. On the last morning, part of the time for chapel exercises was used in much the same way. We believe that none of our people, after listening to these testimonies, would feel that any financial sacrifice was too great that their children might attend our schools.

The Enemy is working with greater cunning than ever to draw our young people into the world to their own eternal ruin, and the loss to the truth of the work they might do.

Appropriate vocal and instrumental music for the closing exercises was furnished by the class and school. Two essays and one recitation were given by members of the class.

Elder C. S. Wiest, president of the Mississippi Conference, gave the address, having for his subject, "Energy." This subject was treated in a unique and practical way. Energy is an essential element for success in any line of work, and especially in our work is there excellent opportunity for every energetic, consecrated young person to make for himself a name (character) that shall endure forever.

The diplomas were presented to the class by the principal.

As the school year closes, and we look back over the last few years of the work of the school, we see many places where mistakes have been made; but with the help of God, and the hearty cooperation of students and friends of the school, considerable progress has also been made, and a good number of young people have received an inspiration for service in the cause of God. And we feel that with the same help and cooperation, those who take up the work next year will be able to accomplish even more. The school should be filled next year with earnest young people who desire to make the most of their opportunities.

A. N. ATTEBERRY.

"Education"

THIS book covers the subject of education, including all its phases, and is especially prepared for parents, teachers, and students, although it is excellent for all classes. The great principles of Christian education are clearly set forth, and invaluable counsel for the education of the youth is placed within the reach of all.

In answer to the question, "What is education?" and in defining its source, we quote a few sentences from the first chapter of the book:

"Our ideas of education take too narrow and too low a range. There is need of a broader scope, a higher aim. True education means more than the perusal of a certain course of study. It means more than a preparation for the life that now is. It has to do with the whole being, and the whole period of exis-

tence possible to man. It is the harmonious development of the physical, the mental, and the spiritual powers. It prepares the student for the joy of service in this world, and for the higher joy of wider service in the world to come.

"The Source of such an education is brought to view in these words of Holy Writ, pointing to the Infinite One: In him 'are hid all the treasures of wisdom.' 'He hath counsel and understanding.'"

The book contains 321 pages, has a three-color cover design, and is beautifully bound. Price, \$1.25. Order from your State tract society, or from the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn.

With the Men Behind the Books

Literature Sales for 1914

A RECENT letter from Elder N. Z. Town, secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department, contains the following encouraging information which will be of interest to the faithful "men behind the books" in this field. Elder Town states:

"For several years the secretary of the Department and the leaders in the field have been holding up as their goal two million dollars worth of literature sales per year. We have firmly believed that we should reach this goal sometime. Up to the time the war broke out we were very hopeful that we should reach it during 1914, but after that time we did not feel quite so sure.

"A few days ago we made up a tentative summary, using the figures of 1913 for a few of the foreign publishing houses that have not yet sent in their report, and I can assure you we felt like throwing our hats in the air when we saw that the grand total for the year amounted to \$2,100,000. Some corrections will have to be made in these figures as the final reports come in, but we feel confident that after receiving all returns our summary for 1914 will pass the two-million-dollar mark by several thousand dollars. We take off our hats to the faithful men in the field who have, through the blessing of God, made this splendid result possible."

The question now is what will the record be for 1915. This must be determined by the workers in the field. And, notwithstanding the trying experiences through which some have been passing, we have full confidence that those in the Southern Union will not fall short of doing their part.

Encouraging Words from the Field

Encouraging reports continue to come in from different parts of the field. Brother Virgil Smith of Mississippi writes:

"No place in the South has felt the financial crisis any worse than Mississippi, and yet when we look at what we have been able to do in comparison with others (see *Review* of May 6), we can but exclaim, 'What hath God wrought!' The improving financial conditions ought to stimulate us to work as we have never worked before. I am sure Mississippi cannot afford to leave a stone unturned to educate her boys and girls and fit them for useful places in the Lord's work. Some of the brightest lights in the world are Mississippians, and why cannot this be true in this blessed truth?"

Although Mississippi had something over forty bank failures last year, Brother Smith and his faithful band of workers are demonstrating right along that books can be sold — yes, and *large books* at that. The Lord has said that his people should be "the head, and not the tail," and therefore we see no reason why Brother Smith's aspirations are not quite in place after all.

In a personal letter from Elder B. W. Brown, president of the Kentucky Conference, he says:

"One feature that is encouraging about our work is that the

boys are making good deliveries, and now, since we have had a good rain, I believe our reports will be better. The farmers have been pretty blue, and it has been hard to sell books. Only by faith could it be done. I am also glad that we were able to not only send you our check for the full amount that we owe, but also to have a little credit on your ledger. To this I suppose you will not object."

No, indeed, we do not object at all. However, if any of our other tract societies think we would, we would suggest that they try it and see.

From Louisiana comes the following encouraging report written by Brother G. B. Boswell, field agent of that conference:

"Brother Turner is now making a delivery (for 'Bible Readings') in a strawberry section. I have only a part of his report, which is as follows: Hours thirty-four, books delivered fifty-four, value \$162. This is quite good for the times. He said that his best territory had not yet been reached. Brother Paul sends in a report for 'Bible Readings' of thirty-seven hours, twenty-five orders, value \$79; while Brother McGilvrey reports forty-three hours, twenty-six orders for 'Past, Present, and Future,' value \$59. I merely refer to these to show you what can be done in these so-called hard times."

The Southwest

Recently some encouraging reports have also been coming in from the Southwest. A recent letter from Brother J. H. Wilcox, manager of the Fort Worth Branch, contains this paragraph:

"Brother Hooper (field agent of West Texas) just came through here this morning on his way to Keene. He says things are looking good in West Texas, and that they have been having a lot of rain. The week before last he canvassed a day and a half and took over \$60 worth of orders, while last week in three days he took \$140 worth of orders."

Brother Conway, field agent of North Texas, writes:

"I am feeling good over the way the work is now opening up. The boys are beginning to gain confidence, and are taking hold of the work in earnest. This last week I received three reports for over \$80. One of these was from Brother Glass, and was his first one for this year. It was for \$110. He put in only forty-six hours. Brother Elisha Taylor did almost as well. He worked forty-three hours, taking \$87 worth of orders. What do you think of these reports for old veterans? It seems to me that they ought to put to shame some of our younger workers who gave up the work because it was going a little hard. . . . We are getting a nice little company of workers in the field now; and I believe this is going to be one of the best years we have ever had, for I think that this year we are going to make good deliveries. I believe the Lord has allowed some of these discouragements to come upon us to see whether or not we are true gold, or just gilded over."

In writing of the work in South Texas, Brother E. M. Davis states:

"We have been having some heavy rains here, but I do not know that they have hindered the work at all. In fact, I wish all our men would get to the place where these things would not bother them only in a limited way, for I do believe that this work should go whether it rains or does not rain, whether the nations fight or do not fight. This is, of course, easier said than done, but I am sure when we live with the Lord it can and will be done. Brother Chenault's experience this year proves that this is so, for it is plainly evident that it is connection with Heaven that enables him to make his sales. He works faithfully, also. He writes of taking \$46 worth of orders one day in six hours in the rain, having to wade water knee-deep sometimes in reaching the houses."

Inasmuch as Brother Chenault spent several years working in the Southern Union, doubtless this reference to him will be of interest to his many friends in this field.

The Southeast

Brethren Dillen and Randall write very encouragingly of the outlook before the work in the Southeastern Union. In fact, recently the Home Office, has been sending some good-sized shipments of "Bible Readings" and other books to the Southeast, which is evidence of the progress that is being made in that field. We also understand that the largest corps of student-colporteurs will enter the field this year from Graysville Academy of any year in its history. The workers appear to be of good courage, and the indications are that a great work will be accomplished in the Southeastern Union during the remaining months of 1915.

Much more might be said, but the extracts quoted are sufficient to show the tone of the letters now being received from different parts of the territory comprising the Southern Publishing Association. The workers seem to be adapting themselves to the real conditions, and the Lord is blessing them as they move out by faith and do his bidding. Some who a few weeks ago thought that books could not be sold, are finding that orders can be as easily secured as formerly. Not only is this true, but there are many now becoming interested in our books, whose attention it was almost impossible to secure before the war broke out. May the Lord help each one to be faithful and act well his part, for the harvest is fully ripe and the reward is certain.

R. L. PIERCE.

Home Missionary Work

Gather Up the Fragments

"HE SAID unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost." John 6: 12.

"And as the disciples, by Christ's direction, gathered up the fragments, that nothing might be lost, so we should treasure every fragment of literature containing the truth for this time. None can estimate the influence that even a torn page containing the truths of the third angel's message may have upon the heart of some seeker after truth."—"Words of Encouragement to Workers," p. 3.

We sometimes find in the homes of our people piles of the *Signs* weekly, the *Review*, the *Instructor*, and other papers, and numbers of tracts, lying idle on the shelves. All these should be sent out on their mission of mercy, to take light and truth to other homes.

There are many ways of using these back numbers to good advantage. We frequently receive letters from aged Sabbath-keepers who have taken the *Review* for thirty or more years, saying that they have used up all their money, are too old to earn more, and that they must drop the paper, though it almost breaks their hearts to do it. There are plenty of members who, when they have read their *Reviews*, could send them to some of these dear souls. Why not ask your conference tract society for the address of some brother or sister who wants the *Review* and cannot afford to subscribe for it, and when you have read your copy, send it to cheer some other soul?

The *Review* may also be given or mailed to strangers. A short time ago the periodical manager received the following letter:

"Can you tell me how and where I can learn about the true Sabbath (Saturday)? I got a copy of *The Advent Review and Sabbath Herald* through the mail, and have read it over and over.

"I have never had a chance to meet or talk with an Adventist or any one believing Saturday to be the rest-day. I was raised in a Christian home, but always kept Sunday as the Lord's day. It has always been my belief that Saturday was the real Sabbath.

"I never heard of Adventist churches and ministers until

I saw your paper. I will enclose a self-addressed envelope, and will be very glad if you can give me some way of finding out more about the Sabbath. My neighbor is also much interested in finding out more about it."

Possibly the individual who mailed that *Review* will not know the result until the great gathering day. Do not waste your *Reviews*, but use them in some judicious way.

The *Signs* weekly, Present Truth Series, the various magazines, the *Youth's Instructor*, and *Little Friend*, may be distributed in many ways. They can be given to tradespeople who call at the door, to inmates of hospitals, prisons, and benevolent institutions. They may be mailed to absent friends. In the *Review* and the *Signs* weekly there are frequently lists of people who would be glad to get parcels of papers for use in missionary work.

All tracts, too, that are clean can be distributed in the same way. Good judgment should be used in determining how to use them, as some subjects will interest some people, while others may best be reached by some other topic. Reading-racks in waiting-rooms are an excellent means of using tracts and back numbers of periodicals and magazines.

Let every Sabbath-keeper look carefully through his house to see what literature he has stored away, and get it out and make use of it. In these times of warfare, nations are looking carefully to their stores of war material, searching the houses for them. In these closing days of our warfare we should be doing the same.

E. M. GRAHAM.

Cause for Gratitude

Now that the gospel message is sounding throughout our ranks, summoning the church-members to universal action, it is deeply gratifying to note the response and see the progress.

The reports for the fourth quarter of 1914 have broken the record. In every line of our missionary endeavors we made a gain of from thirty-three to one hundred per cent. This has come as a result of a general awakening, and this awakening has come as a result of definite plans laid by the General and North American Division Conference committees. We feel greatly encouraged by what has been accomplished and confidently look for still greater things.

We trust all will study carefully the report for the last quarter of 1914. We still have a long way to go to reach our Leader's ideal, "*One hundred times more than we are doing*"; but "if all will put on the armor and go forth to the warfare, willing to do and dare for God, knowing that his omnipotence will supply their need," this can be done.

It is time that all reports were in for the first quarter of 1915. We trust our secretaries will give this their attention, and that every believer will see the importance of keeping a faithful record of, and reporting, all work done.

"Christian, rouse and arm for conflict,
Nerve thee for the battle-field;
Bear the helmet of salvation,
And the mighty gospel shield;
Bind the breastplate firmly on thee,
Take the Spirit's sword in hand;
Boldly, fearlessly, go forth then,
In Jehovah's strength to stand."

F. W. PAAP.

WHAT medicine will procure digestion?—Exercise. What will recruit strength?—Sleep. What will alleviate incurable evils?—Patience.—*Voltaire*.

"VIRTUE kindles strength."

Alabama Conference

Conference Directory

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota for First Half of Year	Amount Paid	Yet to be Raised
450	\$2,340.00	\$798.82	\$1,541.18

Sunset Calendar

Friday, May 28, sun sets..... 7:01

News Notes

FOURTEEN dollars and eighty-one cents has been received as the profits on the *Signs* weekly sold throughout the territory of the Alabama Conference this last year. Thus \$14.81 has been placed in our twenty-cent-a-week fund at no expense to us. This amount would have been larger had we as individuals used more of the splendid missionary paper, the *Signs* weekly. It was practically all earned in the last three months of 1914. The Pacific Press Publishing Association offers to again turn the profits into our mission fund this year. The *Signs* weekly does bring people into the truth, and when each church-member subscribes for two copies each week it will mean that our offerings to foreign missions will be greatly increased through this refund. After reading this note, decide to send \$1.30 to the Alabama Tract Society and in return receive two copies of the *Signs* weekly for the coming six months, and at the same time you will be helping our foreign missions.

Brother Ernest Waters writes from Garden City that he has arrived at his field of labor. It rained for several days after he began work, but this week's report shows that, in spite of difficulties, he won out. Remember our faithful book workers, who are going from door to door carrying the printed page.

Read this: "Alabama Tract Society. Gentlemen: I received your notice in regard to our *Little Friend* subscription yesterday, and in reply will say that I sent the publishers a renewal three days ago. I did not know that you handled subscriptions for them at the tract society." The only reason the Alabama Tract Society is in existence is to supply our people with books, pamphlets, leaflets, tracts, magazines, periodicals, charts, maps, and diagrams. All the above, issued by the Review and Herald Publishing Association, Washington, D. C.; Pacific Press Publishing Association, Mountain View, Calif.; Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn.; and the International Publishing Association, College View, Nebr., are generally carried in stock at this office, 316 Lyric Building, Birmingham, Ala. A large supply of the current numbers of *The Watchman*, *Protestant* and *Temperance Instructor* is carried at all times at this office, and the quickest and safest way to renew for our periodicals is through this office. We solicit the cooperation of each one and guarantee satisfaction.

Brother R. E. Chapman of Troy, Ala., is holding Bible readings in his neighborhood and reports an interest, also opportunity to hold a series of studies in the school building. It is the personal work that counts.

Some people say they enjoy reading the Alabama "Booster" letters, which are sent out almost every week. Your name can be added to the list if you wish, and the expense will be nothing.

These letters are for the colporteurs and those interested in the progress made by this important branch of the work.

Elder and Sister R. I. Keate left Birmingham, May 17, for a few days' visit among friends and relatives in Baldwin County. Upon their return to Birmingham a series of meetings will be commenced.

The colporteurs' report for this week is the best one presented so far this year. More of the workers are putting in full time, and new workers are entering the field. In the near future we expect to begin reporting regularly one thousand dollars a week. Hard times are in no way holding our work back, and the experience gained in the past will not act as a discouragement, but will make us more successful workers. Come and join in this work with us.

Obituary

DENNIS.—Amanda Jane Dennis was born in Pike County, Ala., August 14, 1848, and died at the home of her brother in Montgomery, Ala., May 7, 1915.

She fell asleep peacefully, with a calm trust in the Life-giver, who will soon waken his sleeping saints.

When about eighteen years of age, she joined the Baptist Church and remained a faithful member until December 19, 1894, when she accepted the light of present truth and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Two brothers, with a large circle of relatives and friends, are left to mourn. The funeral service was conducted by Elder A. L. Miller and the writer. J. F. WRIGHT.

Kentucky Conference

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota for First Half of Year	Amount Paid	Yet to be Raised
426	\$2,215.20	\$1,448.40	\$766.80

Sunset Calendar

Friday, May 28, sun sets. 7:17

News Notes

ELDER BROWN spent Sabbath with the Grove Church. He reports the baptism of three persons.

Brother Hickman spent Sabbath with the church at Nicholasville. He reports a pleasant trip through the western part of the State, where he has been lately.

Brother Felix Pierce, who is selling "Bible Readings" in Russell County, sends in a good report for the past week. He took \$84 worth of orders in forty hours.

Brethren H. Ethington and Charles Ruhl are both well pleased with their territory in the western part of the State. Brother Ethington took \$18 worth of orders in a half day.

Brother W. H. White writes that he has been looking for a location in which to pitch the tent in Covington. He hopes to begin meetings early in June.

Miss Ethel Forney has located in Louisville, where she will sell magazines this summer. We welcome her to our territory.

Miss Chapman, who has been doing colporteur work in our conference, has accepted a position at the Madison Food Factory.

Brother Harry Potter of Bowling Green writes that the work in the church at that place is onward and God is blessing them in their services.

The work in all parts of the conference is moving along nicely. New members are being added to our number each week.

Sister Evans of Nicholasville has been quite sick and is still confined to her bed, but is much better. We hope she will soon be able to attend services again.

Brother Luther Bowles has gone to Scott County, where he will continue to sell "Bible Readings."

Little Mildred Reichenbach sold *The Watchman* in Nicholasville last Monday. She was quite successful.

Brother Jacob White has gone to Anderson County, where he will sell "Bible Readings."

Brother M. Wheeler reports a good delivery which amounted to over ninety per cent of his orders.

Brother Charles Ruhl, one of the boys from Hazel Academy, writes that the Lord has blessed him. The first few days he was out selling the printed page his orders amounted to \$56.

Brother R. W. Harris reports a ninety-five per cent delivery the past week. He is now located at Mason, Grant County.

Brother V. F. Todd writes that he finds many people waiting to receive the truth through the printed page.

Brother Andy Schroeder sends in a good report and states that he is of good courage. His orders for forty-one hours amounted to \$75.

Brother H. E. Beck was in Louisville last Sabbath and Sunday. He enjoyed his visit with the brethren.

Brother D. C. Hunt and wife have gone to Michigan on a visit to his old home.

Mrs. R. W. Harris spent a few days in Nicholasville last week. She was on her way to her new home.

Elder J. H. Lawrence reports the baptism of twenty-three persons Sabbath, May 8. We are glad for this good report.

Sister Cranna, one of the faithful believers in the Louisville Church, died last week.

Elder Brown spent Sabbath and Sunday, May 8 and 9, with the Louisville Church. He reports the work onward in that city, even though Satan is trying to hinder it.

Brother James Hickman is now in Edmonson County assisting Brethren Charles Ruhl and H. Ethington. He writes that the boys are of good courage.

Many of our people are writing us telling of the good work they are doing with the little book, "The World's Crisis." We still have a supply on hand. You would do well to order a number of these books.

Brother C. W. Vermillion sends in his first report for the sale of "Bible Readings." We expect a larger report next time.

Brother Jacob White sends in a letter full of courage, stating that he hopes to put in full time soon selling the printed page.

Sister Hammond of Salyersville writes that several in her neighborhood are interested, and that she is furnishing them reading matter. She says she hopes to bring them into the truth.

Brother John Sorns of Bowling Green has ordered a prospectus and supplies to equip himself for selling the printed page.

YOUR friends and neighbors are interested in present-day events. They would appreciate reading an up-to-date magazine which explains the prophecies relating to our time. Send ten cents for a sample copy of the June *Watchman*, read it yourself, then order fifty or more to distribute among your neighbors. Your tract society will be glad to furnish these in quantities of five to forty copies, at five cents each; and fifty or more, at four cents each.

Louisiana Conference

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota for First Half of Year	Amount Paid	Yet to be Raised
387	\$2,012.40	\$676.11	\$1,336.29

Sunset Calendar

Friday, May 28, sun sets..... 7:01

News Items

ELDER N. Z. TOWN, in charge of the Spanish Division of South America, recently made the office a very pleasant visit, while waiting to take passage on his boat.

The following good report accompanied an order for 200 copies of "The World's Crisis" to be shipped to Shreveport: "We are going to use 'The World's Crisis' to help raise money for our church building."

Brother McLennan states that they have just taken another member into the Shreveport Church, and we certainly rejoice with him over the number brought into the fold.

Elder Buckner reports the baptism of four more believers on the fifteenth day of May, who with three others united with the New Orleans Church No. 2.

A large supply of the 1915 Temperance *Instructor* is still on hand at the office, and will be sent out postpaid for five cents a copy, five or more copies at four cents each, while they last. It is one of the most attractive issues yet produced, a copy of which should be in every home in Louisiana. The retail price being ten cents, this leaves a good commission for those who wish to sell the magazine, and puts it at such a price that for a small amount you can place it in the homes of your friends and neighbors. You can get twenty-five copies for \$1. Think of the homes that might be saved from wreck and ruin by the investment of a dollar or two!

The following are the names we have received from the respective Sabbath Schools of Louisiana, of those who at the close of the first quarter could repeat all the memory verses for the quarter:

Alexandria Sabbath School: Lillian Smith, age nine; Margaret Smith, age seven; and Nondes Schmehl, age five.

Arcadia Sabbath School: Lennie Colvin, age eleven; Harael Boswell, age eight; Ora Field, age twelve; and Fay Colvin, age ten.

Sugartown Sabbath School: Lena Johnson, Lela Johnson, Willis Johnson, Jephtha Dear, Robert Dear, Annie Caraway, and Louise Harzman.

New Orleans Sabbath School: John Speyer, age eight; Willie Speyer, age eleven; Ruth Dinsmore, age nine; Sanford Ulmer, age eight; Harold Ulmer, age twelve; Hugh Brown, age ten; Amy Wilson, age eleven; Ethel Speyer, age twelve; Nellie Jensen, age twelve; King Thomas, age twelve; Calvin Thomas, age eleven; and Harold Mangin, age twelve.

New Orleans Sabbath School No. 2: Edith Jarreau, Alison L. Williams, and Leonora Buckner.

Obituary

McGILVREY.—Mary Jane McGilvrey was born in Rockville, Park County, Ind., March 18, 1845, and died at Lena, La., May 10, 1915, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. C. Reed. Early in life she gave her heart to God, and joined the United Brethren Church. Eighteen years ago she heard present truth and gladly accepted it. Since then she has had a happy Christian experience. At the time of her death she was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Seattle, Wash. Death was not hard with her, and she was taken in peace. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

O. F. FRANK.

Mississippi Conference

Conference Directory

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota for First Half of Year	Amount Paid	Yet to be Raised
311	\$1,617.20	\$485.86	\$1,131.34

Sunset Calendar

Friday, May 28, sun sets..... 7:01

News Notes

ELDER C. B. STEPHENSON spoke at the hall in the conference building Friday night, and in the colored church Sabbath. He left here Sunday for Vicksburg, where he held a meeting that evening, going from there to Yazoo City and Meridian. He reports very favorable work being done among the colored people.

Brother Morrow reports the baptism of R. H. Rowland at Collins, Miss.

Elder James Morrow leaves Wednesday for Gulfport, where he will labor for a few days.

Elder Wiest visited the churches at Yazoo City and Greenville last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Brother Smith has now returned home after spending a month in the field. He visited Brethren Elmer and Chalmer Chastain, who have been asked to pay a license before being allowed to canvass. He had this put off for a time. Since coming to Jackson he has investigated the matter and finds that there is no law requiring a person to pay a license to canvass.

Elder Wiest is in Shuqualak assisting Elder Burke in a tent effort. He goes from there to Meridian for the Sabbath, and then to Quitman, where he will meet with the Cedar Creek Church on Sunday.

Elders King and Chatman called at the office to counsel concerning the summer's work. It was decided to hold a tent effort at Hattiesburg before camp-meeting. The tent effort that was to be held at Mound Bayou this spring was postponed till fall.

PAPERS WANTED: Mrs. L. V. Bowen, Route 3, Pontotoc, Miss., would like to receive clean copies of the *Signs* weekly, *Watchman*, *Youth's Instructor*, and tracts.

FAITH is a higher faculty than reason.—Bailey.

WANTED: Clean copies of our papers for use in our missionary society. We can use the *Youth's Instructor*, *Signs, Watchman*, *Health and Temperance*, and the *Review*. Please send pre-paid to Miss Mamie Moore, Star Route, Leach, Tenn.

THE longer you read the Bible, the more you will like it; and it will grow sweeter and sweeter; and the more you get into the spirit of it, the more you will get into the Spirit of Christ.—*Romaine*.

Colporteurs' Report Southern Union Conference for Week Ending May 15, 1915

ALABAMA CONFERENCE									
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.		
U Bracy†	BF	141	122	\$165 00	\$	\$165 00	\$ 3 00		
M L Ivory	D&R	50	9	27 00		27 00			
R T Jacks	BR	23	5	16 00	35	16 35			
E L Marley	GC	31	1	2 00		2 00	51 00		
Ralph Meade	BR	11	7	22 00		22 00	9 00		
Horace Miller	BR						4 00		
Mrs M Miller	stoc	8	2	1 50		1 50	2 10		
C L Ryals	BR	47	15	50 00		50 00			
G A Stephenson	BF	70	40	54 50		54 50	5 50		
J W Wade	PP&F&BR	30	8	24 00	1 40	25 40			
Ernest Waters	GC	27	13	43 00	1 40	44 40			
Alex Wood	D&R	30	17	51 00		51 00			
Totals (Agts.12)		468	239	\$456 00	\$ 3 15	\$459 15	\$71 60		

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE									
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.		
D C Ray	BR	41	7	\$21 00	\$ 35	\$21 35	\$		
V F Todd	D&R	13	2	5 00		5 00			
S T Page	PP&F	30	14	28 00		28 00			
Mary Aldridge	BR	16	3	9 00	6 95	15 95	12 00		
E Harp	BR	40	3	9 00		9 00			
J L Vermillion	BR	28	7	21 00	1 85	22 85			
R W Harris	BR	28	14	42 00		42 00			
D R Allman	D&R	44	14	43 00		43 00			
H E Beck	D&R	37	8	28 00	2 75	30 75	9 00		
Felix Pierce	BR	42	25	76 00		76 00			
C W Vermillion	BR	40	9	32 00		32 00			
M Wheeler	D&R	35			8 85	8 85	189 00		
Luther Bowles	BR	42	15	45 00		45 00			
J B Reichenbach	BR	41	8	24 00		24 00	11 00		
C E Ruhl	BR	43	16	48 00	35	48 35			
H Ethington	BR	48	13	39 00		39 00			
Andy Schroader	BR	34	4	12 00		12 00			
H S Klien	BR	29	20	35 00		35 00			
Jacob White	BR	16	1	3 00	4 25	7 25	34 00		
Jeff Hickman	D&R	20			4 50	4 50	89 00		
Bibles				7 70		7 70	10 05		
Totals (Agts.20)		667	183	\$527 70	\$29 85	\$557 55	\$354 05		

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE									
G B Swell	D&R&BR	37	25	\$81 00	\$	\$81 00	\$		

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE									
Annie Boyd*	BF	50	31	\$90 00	\$	\$90 70	\$		
Floyd Booth	BR	19	1	3 00	1 40	4 40	16 40		
J Campbell	PP&F&BF	38	6	11 50	2 10	13 60			
C Chastain	BR	40	19	60 00	8 25	68 25	6 00		
Elmer Chastain	BR	22	15	48 00	4 90	52 90	6 00		
C A Howard	BR	23					39 00		
Nevie L Ford	CK	9					2 00		
Perthia Hampton*	BF	69	46	116 50	3 40	119 90			
Hattie Jacobs	CK	33	48	93 65	35	94 00			
E Johnson	PP&F&D&R	36	35	79 50	70	80 20	3 50		
A A Johnson	D&R	28	17	49 00		49 00			
M A Murphy	PP&F	27	74	137 00	1 05	138 05			

L McElroy	D&R&PP&F	37	31	99 50	70	100 20			
R D Peterson	BR	43	22	66 00	4 10	70 10			
W E Thomas	BR	45	28	88 00	4 80	92 80			
E A Taylor*	BR	83	46	145 00	9 05	154 08	3 00		
M E Stafford	CK	34					15 00		
E B Stowall	CK						3 00		
Annie Watts							28 00		
Bibles				18 80		18 80			

Totals (Agts.19) 636 419 \$1105 45 \$42 50 \$1147 95 \$121 90

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE									
Mrs M E Hinds	CK	22	10	\$12 50	\$ 4 75	\$17 25	\$ 75		
Ray W Parker	BR	21	7	23 00	75	23 75			
R H Hazelton	GC	40	11	22 00		22 00	8 00		
Wm J Keele	BR	11	16	12 00		12 00	12 00		
W B Tyus	BF	40	12	15 50	2 00	17 50			
F Wagner	D&R&BR	39	12	34 00	2 25	36 25	24 25		
E C Widgery	D&R	29	8	22 00		22 00			

Totals (Agts. 7) 202 76 \$141 00 \$ 9 75 \$150 75 \$45 00

G'd Totals (A.59) 2010 942 \$2311 15 \$85 25 \$2396 40 \$592 55

Summary from January 1 to Date

Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
Alabama Conference	\$3015 80	\$ 66 85	\$ 431 70
Kentucky Conference	7329 27	325 70	3692 39
Louisiana Conference	2597 36	135 60	835 50
Mississippi Conference	7212 80	288 50	1298 25
Tenn. River Conference	2098 45	369 30	1147 65
Totals	\$22253 68	\$1185 95	\$7405 49

Magazine Agents' Report Week Ending May 15, 1915

ALABAMA CONFERENCE			
Agent	No.	Value	
U Bracy	8	\$ 80	
Mrs M Miller	2	10	

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE			
Mrs J B Reichenbach	200	20 00	
Lucy A White	50	5 00	
C L Hornung	50	5 00	

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE			
Bethel Mann	119	11 90	
Lura Reed	108	10 80	
Viola Mann*	151	15 10	

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE			
Mrs M E Hinds	6	60	
Wm J Keele	101	10 10	
Mrs Jennie Robertson	62	6 20	
R W Robertson	90	9 00	
Mrs Mildred Ryan	250	25 00	

Totals 1197 \$ 119 60

* Two Weeks. † Three Weeks.

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota for First Half of Year	Amount Paid	Yet to be Raised
2273	\$11,819.60	\$4,728.29	\$7,091.31

Camp-meeting Dates for the Southern Union

Tennessee River, Hazel, Ky.	July 22-August 2
Kentucky	August 13-22
Alabama, Birmingham	August 20-29
Mississippi, Laurel	August 27-September 5
Educational Council, Graysville	August 6-14

Quarterly Statistical Report

AFTER looking over the statistical reports from the conferences, we have compiled a report for the union, and we are glad to note the growth that has been made so far this year in our work. There has been an increase in membership of ninety-seven, fifty-four of whom were added to our white churches and forty-three to our colored churches. This brings the total membership for the union to 2,852. We notice that a large proportion of this increase is reported by the Kentucky Conference, which reported an addition of fifty; with Tennessee River Conference second, reporting forty-seven additions. There were 101 baptized during the quarter.

Our Sabbath School reports show the total number of schools to be 126, with a membership of 3,310, the total donations being \$1,945.59. Upon referring to the year 1914, we find there is an increase of \$352.84 over the first quarter of that year.

Mention has already been made in these columns of our gains in the twenty-cent-a-week fund. Of the total funds received, there is a gain over 1914 of \$2,500. This we would consider an excellent showing, considering the financial conditions, and the fact that at this time of the year our funds are lower than later in the season. The largest gains are reported in foreign missions, \$500; local church work, \$1,900; and in Sabbath Schools as already mentioned. In the Kentucky Conference there was a gain of \$2,627.44 in total funds received over last year; in Tennessee, \$552.67; Alabama, \$612.99. The rate per capita for 1914 on total funds was \$5.95, while in 1915 it is \$5.81, a slight decrease. Our total receipts of tithe are slightly in advance of last year.

In all this we can see and recognize the guiding hand of the

Lord and his care for his work even in hard times. Have you, dear reader, had your part in this excellent showing?

G. H. CURTIS, *Secretary*.

News Notes

ELDER S. E. WIGHT spent Tuesday, May 18, at Graysville, Tenn., in counsel with Elder O. Montgomery, the president of the Southeastern Union Conference. After a short stay of two days in Nashville, he left Friday night for Kentucky, and in company with Elder Brown, met with the Louisville Church on Sabbath.

We know it will bring sorrow to the hearts of all in this field to know that on account of his health, Elder Norwood and family have been compelled to leave our conference. He has worked in our midst now for nearly two years, and we have learned to love and respect him, and he will be greatly missed. Saturday night, May 16, the Memorial and North Side Churches united in rendering a little program on the Publishing House lawn as a farewell to them and Brother and Sister Pound, who are leaving Nashville for work in Paducah, Ky., where he goes to assist Brother C. F. Lowry during the summer. Elder Wight, Brother Knox, and Brother Nay were the speakers of the evening, and recitations, songs, and the brass quartet helped to make the evening pleasant. Little leather-bound autograph albums, containing a poem of friendship and regard written by Mrs. Pierce for the occasion, and the names of their friends in Nashville, were presented to Brother Norwood and family, and Brother and Sister Pound, as a memento of the evening.

We will not lose Brother and Sister Pound from our conference, only from our city; but Elder Norwood will make the mountains of Arkansas his home for the summer, and expects in the fall to move to Texas and take up work in connection with the Keene Academy. We trust Elder Norwood's health will greatly improve during his summer's rest, and that he will be ready to take up work in the fall. We are sure the interest and prayers of all in this conference will go with them in their new field.

Report of Mission Funds

WE ARE pleased to present with this our report of the twenty-cent-a-week fund for the first four months of the year. While this report still shows a large shortage, we feel encouraged as we look back over last year's report covering this same period.

It will be noticed that there is a gain of \$1,297.45 over the report for 1914, while the rate per week per member is twelve cents this year against ten cents for last year. This is encouraging, and we trust that our church officers and lay-members will keep our standing on this fund constantly before them, and work earnestly for the accomplishment of our purpose in raising our full quota.

REPORT OF TWENTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND FOR FOUR MONTHS

ENDING APRIL 30, 1915				
Conference	Mem.	Quota	Paid	Short
Alabama	450	\$1560 00	\$ 798 82	\$ 761 18
Kentucky	426	1476 80	1448 40	28 40
Louisiana	387	1341 60	676 11	665 49
Mississippi	311	1078 13	485 86	592 27
Tennessee River..	699	2423 20	1319 10	1104 10
Totals	2273	\$7879 73	\$4728 29	\$3151 44
Gain over 1914			\$1297 45	

First quarter 1915, rate per week, 12 cents.

First quarter 1914, rate per week, 10 cents.

G. H. CURTIS, *Treasurer*.