



SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

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

Harvest Ingathering Notes

The Harvest Ingathering Goal — Shall We Reach It?

THE \$100,000 goal is still before us unreached in our Harvest Ingathering work. For three years this same goal has been voted by the General and North American Division Conferences. Shall we really try this year to reach it? The nearest we have come to it yet is \$56,282.99. This goal is on the basis of \$1.54 for each church-member. Really it would seem that each conference ought to raise this. And it might easily do so if each church would gather in its share. And that depends upon whether each church-member fulfils his part.

October 21, the Maritime Conference, Eastern Canada, sent us a telegram saying they were already out on their portion of the goal.

According to reports sent by conference treasurers to the union conference treasurers, on December 31, last year, the Southern Union stood as follows:

	Share of \$100,000	Amt Raised	Due	Honor Roll
So Union.	\$ 3181 64	\$1728 12	\$1453 52	\$
Alabama.	308 00	194 45	113 55	
Kentucky	423 50	264 57	158 93	
Louisiana	403 48	283 02	120 46	
Miss'ppi.	203 28	273 13		69 85
Tenn Riv	950 18	332 78	617 40	
S U Miss.	893 20	380 17	513 03	

Before the colder weather comes on is the most favorable time for work with the missions number of the *Signs*. Some people to whom we go will help. Others will not. But there is a real blessing in doing our duty whether we feel like it or not. There is some work we must do for the Lord that we do not like to do. But shall we pick out that only which pleases us? The Lord did not do that way. "He pleased not himself."

God needs the help of every one just now whose heart he has touched with the love of this truth. He has work for you that you can do. Will you not persevere with your work with the missions *Signs* this year until you know your conference has reached its portion of the \$100,000? Is this too large an amount to attempt to raise for God, when every field is open to us to give the message, and the Lord is holding, to some extent, the winds of strife for us to finish our work?

If you are out of papers write your conference secretary for more. Let us resolve within ourselves to do more this year in gathering funds for missions than ever before. God loves a cheerful giver" (and a cheerful worker too).

Washington, October 26.

T. E. BOWEN.

SATAN is now seeking to hold God's people in a state of inactivity and keep them from acting their part in spreading the truth, that they may at last be weighed in the balances and found wanting. God's people must take warning and discern the signs of the times.

The signs of Christ's coming are too plain to be doubted, and in view of these things every one who professes the truth should be a living preacher. God calls upon all, both preachers and people, to awake. All heaven is astir. The scenes of earth's history are fast closing. We are amid the perils of the last days."— *Testimonies*, Vol. 1, p. 260.

The Harvest Ingathering by Correspondence

SOME of our members are feeble, some are invalids, and unable to get about, but they want a part in this Harvest Ingathering effort. Requests have come in for suggestive letters, and in response the following suggestive letters are given:

To a Relative

My dear Uncle:

I have at last found a way to do a little in behalf of the mission work in which I am so much interested, even though I am confined to my home, and the most of the time to my bed.

Our Missionary Society has issued a Harvest Ingathering number of our missionary paper, which contains a sketch of the progress of our mission work in eighty-five different countries. It contains a number of pictures, most of which were made from photographs taken by our missionaries.

We are now supporting nearly three thousand missionaries

in foreign lands. In addition to what they secure in their fields, we raise nearly eight hundred thousand dollars a year, or more than two thousand dollars a day, for their support.

The Lord has blessed you and your family with health during the past year, and has prospered you in your business, and I feel sure that you will appreciate the privilege of making a little donation in behalf of the mission work represented by our paper.

I am sending you a copy of the paper by today's mail. The enclosed Solicitor's Card will show you that I am authorized to collect funds for the Mission Board. Whatever donation you send me will be forwarded promptly to the Mission Treasury.

Thanking you in advance for whatever gift you may send,

Affectionately yours,

To a Business Man

Dear Sir:

I am taking the liberty of sending you by this mail, under separate cover, a copy of the special missions number of the *Signs of the Times*.

My reason for doing this is to interest you in the work we are doing in eighty-five different countries, to Christianize, civilize, and educate the people of these lands. As a business man, I am sure you will appreciate the value of this work of raising the standard of living among these people and teaching them habits of industry and thrift.

This year has been a year of war and bloodshed, which has made it more than ever necessary that the citizens of the United States should rally to the support of Christian missions. This country has been blessed with peace and a good degree of prosperity, which is fast making it the leading nation of the world. These privileges may well call out from us grateful acknowledgements of God's goodness.

The enclosed "Official Solicitor's Card" will show you that I am duly authorized to solicit donations for foreign missions. I am one of 75,000 persons who have volunteered to assist in this way.

If you are interested in this work of uplifting the people in the less favored nations, you may be willing to contribute to its support by sending me a donation. Please write your name and the amount on the card and return it with the donation. Every amount will be gratefully received and forwarded to the Mission Board at Washington, D. C.

Wishing you prosperity in your business,
Yours respectfully,

To One Whose Occupation is Unknown

Dear Sir: (or Madam)

I am taking the liberty of sending you by this mail, under separate cover, a copy of the special missions number of the *Signs of the Times*.

My reason for doing this is that I believe you will be interested in this report of the work we are doing in eighty-five different countries, to Christianize, civilize, and educate the people of these lands.

This year has been a year of war and bloodshed, which has made it more than ever necessary that the citizens of the United States should rally to the support of Christian missions. This country has been blessed with peace and a good degree of prosperity and been spared much of the suffering other countries are enduring. These privileges may well call out from us grateful thank offerings for God's goodness.

The enclosed "Official Solicitor's Card" will show you that I am duly authorized to solicit donations for foreign missions.

If you are interested in this work of uplifting the people in those lands where the gospel has as yet made small progress and where they have had few educational and other privileges, you may be willing to contribute to its support. Please write your name and the amount of the donation you desire to give on the card and return it to me with the donation. Any amount you may feel free to give will be gratefully received and forwarded to the Mission Board at Washington, D. C.

Wishing you the continued enjoyment of the blessings of peace and prosperity,

Yours respectfully,

It is not expected that these letters will be copied just as they are, but that they will give ideas of how such letters may be written. With these suggestions in mind, after a careful study of the paper, and earnest prayer for help, letters can be written that will touch hearts and lead them to assist in the work.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

With the Men Behind the Books

The Indispensable Agent

THERE exists in some small minds an aversion, an antipathy, a dislike, for what is exemplified by the words "canvassing agent." Why, perhaps no one can tell. Although often derided and made little of, and scorned by men of little wit, there is no profession or calling more worthy and deserving of commendable praise than that of the canvassing agent.

He has done more to advance the interest of the people than all the printers, publishers, editors, teachers, lecturers, and merchants combined. He is the teacher of the people by object lessons on nearly all subjects in which man is interested. There is hardly a good article or implement, improvement, invention, or discovery that today stands favorably before the people, that was not placed there primarily and principally by the efforts of the canvassing agent. It is he who paved the way when the road was the most difficult; who taught to believe when the people were most unbelieving; and today when the sales of these articles mount up into the millions, it can all be traced to the nucleus formed by this king pioneer, the canvassing agent.

Coal was first introduced by agents. The use of "stone coal," as it was called within the memory of men yet living, was unknown until agents were sent out to canvass directly among the people, not alone to sell it, but to teach its use to those ignorant, to show how to build fires, to demonstrate its cheapness compared to wood fuel.

The parlor heater and the cook stove, the sewing and knitting machines, the iron plow, the steel point, the threshing machine and the fanning mill, the reaper and the mower, the corn-sheller and hay-rake, the sulky plow and riding cultivator, as well as the drill and needle, were each and all introduced in turn by the canvassing agent, and great were their efforts in convincing the people of their superiority over "father's way," and their absolute necessity.

It was the canvassing agent who sold our mothers the old family Bibles we prize so highly, and the hymn books from which the songs that still linger in our memory were learned. It was the canvassing agent who succeeded in inducing our fathers to buy those volumes which imparted to us our knowledge of the world, its men and affairs.

Many of the men in history, who won fame and renown as soldiers, statesmen, authors, and scientists, or gained a world-wide reputation in commercial life, laid the foundation of their success, perhaps gained a knowledge of men and human nature which was of infinite worth to them, by acting as canvassing agents.

Napoleon Bonaparte, when a poor lieutenant, took the agency for a work entitled "L'Histoire de la Revolution." In the foyer of the Louvre can be seen today the emperor's canvassing outfit, with the long list of subscribers he secured. George Washington, when young, canvassed about Alexandria, Virginia, and sold over two hundred copies of a work entitled "Rydell's American Savage." Mark Twain was a book agent. Longfellow sold books by subscription. Jay Gould, when starting out in life, was a canvasser. Daniel Webster paid his second term's tuition at Dartmouth by handling "De Tocqueville's American" in Merrimac County, New Hampshire. General U. S. Grant canvassed for Irving's "Columbus." James G. Blaine began life as a canvasser for a "Life of Henry Clay." Bismarck, when at Heidelberg, spent a vacation canvassing for one of Blumenbach's hand-books.—*Selected.*

How much more significance does the above article take on when its sentiments are applied to the work of canvassing for the books which contain heaven's last message of mercy to

men. It ought to broaden our horizon, and give us a higher conception of the dignity and importance of the work of the gospel colporteur.—P. U. R.

Of General Interest

Washington, N. H.

(The following article by D. K. Royer, secretary and treasurer of the North New England Conference will be of interest to the readers of the WORKER, as Brother Royer was formerly connected with the work in this field as manager of the Circulation Department of the Southern Publishing Association.)

IT WAS during the 1844 movement that Mrs. Rachel D. Preston, a Seventh-day Baptist, came from New York State to Washington, N. H., and that she joined with many others in that locality in embracing the advent message, thus having the distinction of being the first known Seventh-day Adventist.

Those believers with whom she mingled were then members of the Disciple Church who in 1842 erected the church building which still remains in this place as the property of the Seventh-day Adventists. Sister Preston accepted the advent message about the same time that Elder Joseph Bates received light on the Seventh-day Sabbath.

For several years this company of believers continued until the value of church organization was seen, when on Jan. 12, 1862, the church was organized, Elder Albert Stone being chairman of the meeting. The following were the charter members: Wm. Farnsworth, Newell Mead, Emily Richardson, Martha E. Philbrick, Lucy A. Dodge, Lenora Smith, Sarah Mead, Cyrus K. Farnsworth, Harriet Farnsworth, Joshua Philbrick, and Alden Green.

It was my privilege while visiting the home of Brother Elgin G. Farnsworth, a few days ago, to see the original records of this church organization which adopted for its covenant the one set forth at the Battle Creek Conference which embraced the principles of health reform, dress reform, and systematic benevolence. I also had the pleasure of visiting the church building, which while not now regularly in use, still is well kept and in good condition. I also visited the only two remaining charter members of this body who are Mrs. Harriet I. Farnsworth, of Washington, and Mrs. Sarah P. Mead of Marlow, N. H., and it proved a source of great comfort to note the courage manifested in the soon-coming triumph of the message, and to listen to accounts of early happenings in the cause.

Many perhaps know of the willing sacrifices made by Sister Mead, her son, Elder F. L. Mead, and his wife having laid down their lives on African soil; then, a few years later, her only daughter, Rosella, a Bible worker, also giving up this life; and now her only direct descendant, Walter Mead, a grandson, being a missionary in India. So in her eighty-second year, she lives all alone taking comfort from the grand old Book, and the weekly visits of the good old *Review*.

It was not until about a year later, on Feb. 8, 1863, that the first Sabbath school was organized here; and it was real interesting to hear Brother Farnsworth relate how well he remembered the day, how that Elders A. S. Hutchins, D. T. Bordaue, and A. C. Bordaue were present for the purpose. At that meeting the only program for the following Sabbath was a preparation to repeat from memory as much as possible of the first Psalm. No collections were taken. As I pondered over this a moment, together with other accounts of the early rise of this message which came in a most humble manner, and now see the rapidly increasing world-wide work, with the promised land almost in sight, my heart welled up in gratitude to God for a humble part in the closing scenes of this movement.

Alabama Conference

Conference Directory

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Date	Amount Paid	Amount Short
450	\$2,632.50	\$1,938.98	\$693.52

Harvest Ingathering Roll — \$5 or Over

BIRMINGHAM

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| Mrs. F. D. Hunt | Mrs. T. Hoskins |
| Mrs. C. D. Elford | Mrs. McLure |
| R. I. Keate | W. C. Wales |
| Mrs. R. I. Keate | O. R. Godsmark |
| Sarah V. Parker | A. L. Miller |
| Mrs. A. C. Helms | Mrs. A. L. Miller |

F. D. Hunt

SHEFFIELD

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| H. G. Miller | Mrs. Mollie Miller |
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Among the Churches

WE WERE pleased to have the privilege of visiting the Elkwood church recently. We began meetings Thursday evening, October 17, and remained for a week holding meetings every night, and two meetings each on Sabbath and Sunday. The weather was all that could be desired and the attendance excellent.

Our studies were mostly of a practical nature, bringing out the essentials necessary for a preparation to meet God. The Lord blessed the word spoken, and the Spirit sent conviction home to the hearts of many. Sabbath was a splendid day; almost the entire church reconsecrated themselves to the Lord and asked for special prayer and for power to obtain a complete victory. The visitors present were deeply impressed.

Three adults took their stand for the truth, were baptized, and united with the church.

Sister Ora Waters is conducting a church school here and giving good satisfaction so far as we could learn. During our visit and for a week or so previous, school was adjourned for cotton picking, but will convene again Monday, November 1.

From Elkwood we visited the mission church at Decatur. The members of this church are not many, but we found them of good courage. We spoke to them Thursday night, October 21. All expressed themselves well pleased with the service. Although our visit was short, we trust strength and courage were imparted to the believers.

A. L. MILLER.

News Notes

EVERETT GUDMUNDSON reports a very successful delivery in Oneonta. He delivered all of his books except three, and had these people been at home, he would doubtless have made a one hundred per cent delivery. We are glad to see Brother Gudmundson making a success of the colporteur work.

Brother S. S. Guilford of Tuskegee writes that he had as good success in disposing of the high priced bindings as he did with the cheaper books.

Brother Carl Holland writing from Enterprise, states that he has delivered seventy-one books out of ninety-nine orders.

Sunday afternoon, September 26, five dear souls were baptized at Ashford, Ala. This church is of good courage, and plans to do more active missionary work. The church at Borden Springs was made to rejoice when nine of the young people followed their Lord into the watery grave Sunday, October 17, and united with the church that night. This church is arousing from its slumber. The church school will open November 1. Eighteen of the young people at this place signed for the Reading Course for the coming year. A number will finish the course for the present year, also, the reading of the Bible through.

Sister Worley orders for the Montgomery church three hundred of the Present Truth Series to be used in working new territory in Montgomery. She states that the Montgomery church is working with the Harvest Ingathering papers and expects to do well. They are planning to make their \$5 per member.

C. R. Waldron, of Rockford, places an order for school books to be used in the school at that place.

THE following appeared in the Birmingham Harvest Ingathering Bulletin, Number 5, Oct. 24, 1915:

Our aim, "An Average of \$5 per member"

Amount previously reported \$172 15
Reported this week 32 26

Present Total \$204 41

This is an average of \$2.55½ per member for the entire church, but as only 51 have reported, it averages over \$4 for this number. Sister Hunt raised \$5.60 more this week. As she has passed the goal she set of \$50, she now intends to make it \$75. We now have thirteen names for the honor roll:

Mrs. F. D. Hunt, \$56.25; Mrs. Tom Hoskins, \$21.85; Mrs. C. D. Elford, \$11; R. I. Keate, \$7.05; W. C. Wales, \$6.05; Elder A. L. Miller, \$6; Mrs. Keate \$5.80; Mrs. McLure, \$5; Mrs. A. C. Helms, \$5; F. D. Hunt, \$5; O. R. Godsmark, \$5; Sarah Parker, \$5; and Mrs. A. L. Miller, \$5. This class totals \$143.98.

Sister P. J. White of our "Out-of-town Band" has written in for papers. She expects to make a start. The names of some that have left town since the bands were organized, have been transferred to the Out-of-town Band. This will account for the changes. We still hope to see more of our our-of-town members join with us in the good work.

BIRMINGHAM MISSION CHURCH

Members 51 "Our Aim, \$5 per Member" Total Goal \$285

City Division \$ 6 48
Bessemer Division 7 30

Total Raised by Eighteen Members \$13 78

I. W. PEEVY, Elder.

FROM OUR LEADERS

It is true we have started late in our campaign, but this, our second week, shows that we are beginning to work. Only a few have reported, but when the reports come in from all the members, we are sure that we will reach the goal.

Some have nearly reached half of the \$5 goal, and they will only have to work a little harder to make the mark. Who will say that we cannot do this? Just watch the figures grow while we work.
R. ROBERTS and J. J. PEARSON.

Kentucky Conference

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Date	Amount Paid	Amount Short
426	\$2,932.80	\$2,463.93	\$468.87

From the Field

LUKE 14:23 says, "Go out . . . and compel them to come in." This means for us to live such godly lives that an influence will be with us insomuch that the people will be compelled to purchase the third angel's message. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Zech. 4:6.

As an example of the fulfilment of this scripture, two of our Kentucky boys took an order for a book from an old man and made arrangements to spend the night with him. During the night the man had a severe attack of asthma and it looked like he could not live. The boys were called to arise and upon so doing began to talk to him about his soul and the hereafter. He asked them to pray for him, and after reading some scriptures they knelt and in a humble manner sought the Lord. The sick man began to get relief, and in a short time, even before the doctor arrived, the boys were back in bed and the man was feeling fine. The next morning an order for "Bible Readings" was secured from the family that was keeping house for the old gentleman, who would not give an order for the book the day before.

One of those same boys walked along the road with a man a short distance, and the man said, "What are you doing here?" The boy replied, "Selling good books." The man asked, "What are they worth?" When he learned the price he said he would take one, and upon finding two more men secured from each an order, making three orders with one exhibition.

"The Lord Jesus standing by the faithful colporteurs is the chief worker." ("Manual," p. 40.) "Humble, fervent prayer would do more in behalf of the circulation of our books than all the expensive embellishments in the world." (Id., p. 12.) The work of God is to be finished (Rom. 9:28), but not in our own strength.

I have noticed that the more we pray, the more power we have. The devil is angry (Revelation 12), so brethren let us have Isaiah's experience (Isa. 6:6-8), and go out and face the hard times with power. Our work should not languish at a time like this. We need to do more now than ever; and in fact I believe that we should expect more help from the Lord and better success than at any other period of the world's history. People are anxious to know of the truth, and we should push forward with more zeal than ever before.

Since my last letter to the WORKER I have had some good experiences. Brother Michael moved up in the mountains and in 15 hours we took \$53 worth of orders. I also made a delivery for him and delivered every book to the subscribers that could be found. One man took his book and two for his neighbors. Next I went to visit Brother Harp. In 16½ hours we had \$68.75, over \$50 of this being secured in one day with one prospectus. Next I visited Brother Allman, who is supporting a large family and paying church school tuition by canvassing. We had some good experiences and averaged over \$3 per hour. Brother Reichenbach is working Washington County, one of

the strong Catholic sections of our State, and in 18 hours we had \$67 in orders. This goes to prove that Catholic people will also buy our message-filled books.

Next I spent two weeks with the Russell and Wayne County brethren with good success. I assisted one of Brother Dow's new converts to get started. This new company loves the truth. There are only nineteen members, counting women and children, and six of them are canvassing and another is preparing for it. The workers throughout the State are of good courage and making splendid deliveries. Brother Winkler has just written about spending the Sabbath with a family who recently accepted the truth from reading "Bible Footlights." Brethren, let us put our shoulders to the wheel the rest of the year, as never before, and take advantage of the interest that is in the minds of the people.

The Lord says, "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you." JAMES HICKMAN.

Louisiana Conference

Conference Directory

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 MRS. FRIEDA HUBER-PAUL, Educational and Y.P.M. V. Secretary.
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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Date	Amount Paid	Amount Short
387	\$2,589.60	\$1,506.27	\$1,083.33

Report of Home Missionary Work

Letters Written	149
Letters Received	139
Missionary Visits (personal work)	350
Bible Readings or Cottage Meetings Held	155
Subscriptions Taken for Periodicals	33
Papers Sold	590
Papers Mailed, Lent, or Given Away	1827
Books Sold	205
Books Lent or Given Away	84
Tracts Sold	26
Tracts Lent or Given Away	576
Hours of Christian Help Work	566
Articles of Clothing Given Away	274
Number of Meals Provided	154
Treatments Given	75

WHILE the above report covers the work of a small number in each church, the work has been done with the prayer that the Lord may bless the efforts put forth, and that the hearts of those receiving the words of truth may be made tender and yield to the call of the Spirit. Let all who have not been active in missionary efforts during the past quarter, study to show themselves approved of the Lord. The work has been entrusted to us, not for the help we can render to the Lord, but for the benefit we are to receive by working with the Lord, walking with him day by day as did Enoch. If your experience has not been as bright as it should be, then begin working with the Lord. Plan not to let slip by a single day without handing some one a tract or a paper, or doing something to make some one's path brighter. The world is filled with those who are waiting for the

message the Lord has entrusted to you. In prayer and humbleness go forth in the strength of the Lord.

The Morning Watch Calendar serves as an excellent daily memorandum of the missionary work you do. See that something is entered each day. If each will earnestly do his part, the work will soon be finished, but "the work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church-membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers."

C. B. CALDWELL.

News Notes

SISTER LUCILE WILLIAMS recently ordered some *Watchman* magazines sent to Alexandria. She reports ten yearly subscriptions and hopes to do as well each week.

Friday October 22, Wm. R. Castle, of Indiana, and Miss Emi Lou Stuart, of New Orleans, were united in marriage. They will make their home in the Crescent City.

W. A. Philpott, of Formosa, Fla., is spending a few weeks with Brother and Sister Caldwell in New Orleans.

An order for a supply of "World's Crisis" has just been received from Miss Lura Reed, of Lena Station. We are glad to report that her health is greatly improved and welcome her into active service again.

At latest reports Elder and Dr. Parmele were in Oregon on their way to the North American Council. They have been visiting relatives and friends and report a very enjoyable trip. Elder Parmele has been called on to conduct services in several places where they have visited, and a good interest has been aroused. Dr. Parmele also delivered several lectures.

Subscriptions for the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER will be received for the remainder of this year and all of 1916 for the subscription price of one year, 50 cents. This offer applies to both renewals and new subscriptions. As far as possible, back numbers to October 1 will be supplied if especially requested.

Do you have that excellent guide to a daily study of the Scriptures, the Morning Watch Calendar? They are now being supplied at the rate of two for five cents postpaid. In addition to the appropriate studies outlined for each day of the year, "The Daily Record of Personal Missionary Work" will prove an excellent aid to reporting the work done. It will also prove to be an inspiration to greater activity in service for the Lord.

Sabbath-School Report, Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1915

School	Mem	Av	Att	13th Sab	Total	Miss	Av
New Orleans	74	62	\$27 00	\$130 43	\$ 1 37		
Hobart	12	10	2 09	14 53	1 21		
Lake Arthur	8	7	1 10	8 15	1 01		
Alexandria	19	16	6 10	19 21	1 01		
Welsh	45	36	6 66	34 28	98		
Hammond	21	14	2 06	19 39	92		
Lake Charles	14	13	3 81	11 98	85		
Shreveport	44	28	7 40	35 40	81		
Lena Station	13	10	56	3 36	42		
Sugartown	22	15	1 41	6 88	31		
Evangeline	11	11	50	3 25	29		
Home Department	25	25	3 80	13 60	54		
New Orleans No 2	116	62	9 65	29 90	25		
DeRidder	14	10		1 75	17		
South Mansfield	11	8		1 50	13		
Arcadia	23	21	35	1 48	06		
Cleora	8	6		40	05		
Natalbany No 2	14	12		70	05		
Miscellaneous				5 25			

Totals 494 341 \$72 49 \$341 44 \$ 60

EMMA L. MORROW, Secretary.

Tennessee River Conference

Conference Directory

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Date	Amount Paid	Amount Short
699	\$5,315.70	\$2,905.28	\$2,410.42

Ashland City

It was the privilege of the writer to visit the church at Ashland City, Sabbath, October 23. The brethren at this place have recently moved from Ohio and are beginning to plan for their work. They have secured two hundred acres of land and have modern machinery with which to develop the land.

The church is composed of ten members. Brother O. A. Wolcott is leading out as elder. A church school is being conducted at this place under the direction of Miss Bertha Laughlin. The present attendance at the school is nine pupils, some of which come from the outside.

Perhaps no church in our conference has been as active in church missionary work in proportion to its membership as has the Ashland City church. Brother Wolcott and others of the members have been holding Sunday-night meetings in two near-by neighborhoods, and have been blessed with a good attendance, sometimes as high as two hundred people. The interest in the truth is good, and the brethren are calling for a Bible worker to follow up the interest there. They have ordered some back numbers of the *Watchman* to hand out and are doing some personal work in inviting their friends and neighbors to the meetings.

The Sabbath school is well attended and has a membership of about twelve. Brother Alexander is the superintendent. Sabbath school is held each Sabbath at 10:30, and all the students have well prepared lessons. The donations have been splendid, more than fifteen cents per week per member having been paid to the treasurer for the first ten months of 1915. All the members in this church seem to be of good courage and pressing forward in the work. F. C. BRUCE.

News Notes

MISS MARY WOLFE writes that the church school at Springville is progressing nicely and she is busy with the work. Miss Wolfe came to us from Mississippi and is conducting the school at Springville.

Brother Wheeler, the field agent, reached Nashville Thursday night, October 28, from an extended visit to the western part of the State. He reports a number from the Springville church interested in the canvassing work and several have made their plans to enter the field about the first of the year.

Prof. L. H. Wood, our missionary volunteer and educational secretary, left Nashville Wednesday morning, October 27, for a visit to the churches in the southern and western part of the conference. He will be gone about fifteen days. We trust that our churches will give him a hearty response and assist him in every way to build up the work in the educational and young people's lines.

Elder Lowry writes that he reached Memphis October 24, and is beginning to lay his plans to take charge of the work in that place. The Memphis church has not had a pastor since last December when Elder Elliott was called to take up the

presidency of the conference. We are sure the brethren there will appreciate having Elder Lowry with them as their pastor.

Several of our colporteurs are expecting to make some large deliveries the first of November and onward. The brethren are of good courage in the colporteur work and they all feel a determination to remain with it as long as they are able.

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign is progressing nicely in our field, and we have reasons to be of good courage. All of the churches are hard at work with the missions *Signs*, and some good reports of work done have come in. The Nashville church had a very interesting prayer meeting Wednesday night, October 27, and the reports given by the individuals were very encouraging. The total sum reported as having been gathered for foreign missions was \$233.77. This is certainly a good report for the two churches here and is much larger than any previous year's work in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

Mr. Chas. R. Smith, a former colporteur, has gone to Nevada, Mo., on a visit to a relative. He expects to return to the South. We are sorry to lose these workers from the canvassing field, but hope they will return next spring.

Mississippi Conference

Conference Directory

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Date	Amount Paid	Amount Short
311	\$1,770.60	\$1,272.83	\$497.77

News Items

DOUBTLESS the believers in Mississippi will remember our former tract society secretary and treasurer who was then Miss Parizetta Smith. She later was united in marriage to Chas. McCole, one of our faithful colporteurs. Many of her friends have heard of her lingering illness; for the last year she has been afflicted with tuberculosis which slowly made its inroads upon the delicate organs of her body. Gradually, but surely, she was wasting away until on October 18 of this year, the enemy claimed her in death. I am sure that the friends in this State will unite with us in sympathy to the bereaved family and loved ones.

Word from Brother R. D. Peterson states that he delivered over \$200 worth of books in one week.

Brother Chalmers Chastain expects to finish his delivery this week, after which he plans to enter Hazel Academy for the remainder of the school year.

It would be much appreciated if those who can do so would send in their pledges on the Jackson church, as the money is needed to meet some bills that are past due.

The Present Truth Series numbers 1 to 10 are now ready to mail. Send in five cents and we will mail one of each number to you or to any address that you may desire. No better way of doing missionary work.

Elder Wiest left Sunday night, the twenty-fourth, for the West. He expects to visit his mother at Minneapolis for a few days on his way.

"YESTERDAY holds our memories; tomorrow holds our hopes — but today let us be happy."

Colporteurs' Report Southern Union Conference for Week Ending Oct. 23, 1915

ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
U Bracy . . . GC&BF	85			\$	\$ 1 20	\$ 1 20	\$13 50
Geo Brown . . . BR	20	2		6 00	1 35	7 35	
B D Crawford . BR	24	3		9 00		9 00	
H L Edwards . BR	12	1		3 00		3 00	12 00
Carl Holland . BR	60						131 00
Mary Miles . BR	28				7 00	7 00	18 00
C L Ryals . . . BR	35						32 00
Alex Wood . . D&R	28						3 00
M L Wilson † . BR	35						46 00
Bibles							16 55
Totals (Agts. 9) 327 6 \$18 00 \$ 9 55 \$27. 55 \$272 05							

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
R R Coble . . . BR	45			\$	\$	\$	\$112 00
GB Boswell * BF&BR	50						115 50
Totals (Agts.2) 95 \$ \$ \$ \$227 50							

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
L I Marcum . . BR	30	4		\$12 00	\$	\$12 00	\$
E Harp BR	25	12		36 00		36 00	
W G Michael . BF	30	11		18 00		18 00	
R W Harris BF&BR	33	26		60 50		60 50	
H Ethington . BF	34	16		16 50		16 50	
C W Vermillion BR	40	8		30 00		30 00	31 00
S T Walker . . GC	23	3		13 00	5 25	18 25	26 00
JB Reichenbach BR	41	22		68 00		68 00	
Luther Bowles . BR	65	27		82 00	1 95	83 95	
D R Allman . D&R	27	7		21 00		21 00	
F F Swan . . . D&R	6	4		11 00		11 00	
C B Sherer BF&BR	8				8 50	8 50	7 50
Jeff Hickman . BR	20	8		26 00		26 00	27 00
H E Beck BF	22	1		1 50	75	2 25	
D C Ray BR	45	8		25 00		25 00	
Felia Pierce . BR	58	25		76 00	75	76 75	
C C Oakes . . . BR	25	8		22 00		22 00	

Miscellaneous . . .	15	2	6 00	6 35	12 35		
Bibles			30 20		30 20	1 35	
Totals (Agts.17) 547 192 \$554 70 \$23 55 \$578 25 \$92 85							

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
Floyd Booth BR&BF	20			\$	\$ 2 10	\$ 2 10	\$39 10
Elmer Chastain BR	18				1 20	1 20	52 00
C Chastain . . . BR	40				85	85	52 00
E Johnson † D&R&PP&F247							390 50
A Johnson † D&R&PP&F247							205 00
RD Peterson * . BR	54						275 00
Totals (Agts. 6) 626 \$ \$ 4 15 \$ 4 15 \$1004 60							

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
R H Dewberry D&R	39	2		\$ 6 00	\$	\$ 6 50	\$
M Hixon BF	25	28		34 00	3 10	37 10	
R H Hazelton . GC	43	11		22 00	60	22 60	
L F Judkins . . PG	25	3		8 50	50	9 00	
R A Judkins HofM	36	4		7 50	7 50	15 00	
Wm J Keele . D&R	40				19 75	19 75	118 75
Mae Keele BR&BS	13	13		9 75		9 75	8 25
D E Lindsey . BR	44	11		36 00	20 00	56 00	15 80
B E Wagner . . BR	25	10		32 00	6 00	38 00	
F E Wagner . . GC	36	11		34 00	5 95	39 95	4 10
Bibles				6 00		6 00	
Totals (Agts.10) 326 93 \$195 75 \$63 90 \$259 65 \$146 90							

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Summary from January 1 to Date				
Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries	
Alabama Conference . .	\$8982 85	\$ 234 60	\$2602 50	
Kentucky Conference . .	17881 60	933 77	9831 50	
Louisiana Conference . .	5159 26	202 15	2068 00	
Mississippi Conference .	15841 25	618 45	3668 30	
Tenn. River Conference .	6893 15	891 10	3037 00	
Totals \$54758 11 \$2880 07 \$21207 30				

THE following is the corrected Present Truth Series list, giving the new topic, "The Papacy," as No. 9, and eliminating the subject, "Conversion; or The Way to Christ," given in old list as No. 15:

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- 5 The Signs of Christ's Coming.
- 6 The Millennium.
- 7 The Home of the Saved.
- 8 The Four Great Beasts of Daniel 7 and the Work of Antichrist.
- 9 The Papacy.
- 10 A Great Prophetic Period — the 2300 Days.
- 11 The Sanctuary.
- 12 The Judgment and the Judgment-hour Message.
- 13 The Law and the Gospel.
- 14 The Bible Sabbath.
- 15 The Change of the Sabbath.
- 16 The United States in Prophecy.
- 17 Christian Liberty.
- 18 The Seal of God and the Mark of the Beast.

- 19 The Threefold Message of Revelation 14.
- 20 Life Only in Christ.
- 21 Spiritualism.
- 22 Spiritual Gifts.
- 23 Health and Temperance.
- 24 Support of the Gospel Ministry.
- 25 Synopsis of Present Truth.

Did You See It?

REFERRING to Sister White, the *Independent* of August 23, in the closing sentences of an article headed, "An American Prophetess," says: "She showed no spiritual pride and she sought no filthy lucre. She lived the life and did the work of a worthy prophetess, the most admirable of the American succession."

The influence of this reference to Sister White and her life work among the many thousands of *Independent* readers, can only be imagined. Find the entire article reproduced in the *Signs Magazine* for December. Also a splendid variety of other articles which give the message in an up-to-date setting. You and your neighbors ought to read the *Signs Magazine* regularly.

"Don't scold, it is a sign of a weak mind. It is a violation of the great law of loving kindness taught in God's Word. It weakens your influence and lessens the respect of others for you."

* Two Weeks. † Five Weeks. ‡ R. D. Ringgold's Orders.

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Date	Amount Paid	Amount Short
2273	\$15,241.20	\$10,087.29	\$5,153.91

Conference Harvest Ingathering Report

Conference	1914		1915 Amt Collected	
	No Papers	No Papers	No Papers	this Year
Alabama	4970	4152	\$ 126	96
Kentucky	4715	5568	102	19
Louisiana	4844	2445	71	30
Mississippi	5224	2444	41	00
Tennessee River	7645	8920	113	52
Total	27398	23529	\$ 454	97

G. H. CURTIS, Treasurer.

Report of Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Conference	Mem	October 1, 1915		
		Quota to Date	Amt Paid	Shortage
Alabama	450	\$2632 50	\$1938 98	\$ 693 52
Kentucky	426	2932 80	2463 93	468 87
Louisiana	387	2589 60	1506 27	1083 33
Mississippi	311	1770 60	1272 83	497 77
Tennessee River	699	5315 70	2905 28	2410 42

2273	\$15241 20	\$10087 29	\$5153 91
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Our Main Business

It is not the chief end of man to achieve what the world will applaud as success. It is our main business in life to show ourselves true men, loving righteousness, hating evil, and willing to take such measure of present happiness and success as flows from obedience to the truth. There is unconquerable strength which begins with the confession of weakness. There is a serene and lofty repose of soul which is reached alone through conflicts and through scars. There is a pure and sacred joy which springs from the deepest sorrow and suffering. The great loss which we have most need to deplore is the loss of earnestness to do right, the loss of strength to resist temptation, the loss of faith in the everlasting principles of truth and duty. The poorest man in the world has something to live and to die for so long as he preserves the integrity of his own conscience. The most successful man in the world is the man

who gives himself most earnestly to the cause of God and truth, and who never bates one jot of heart or hope in his good work, whatever difficulties and delays he may have to meet.

Take courage, then, when the burden is heavy and the work moves slowly, and the temptation and conflicts to be met are many and strong. Never say, "It is enough," so long as you have one wrong disposition in your heart to subdue, so long as there is one soul to be benefitted by your effort or example, so long as patience and faith and love and devotion to duty are the great lessons to be taught and learned, so long as God says he will never forsake the soul that trusts in him and seeks his aid, so long as the crown of life is offered only to him that overcometh. Never say it is enough. But toil on, pray on, hope on, and always believe that while life lasts there is something to do to prepare yourself and others for the better life to come.—"Night Scenes in the Bible."

Our Training Schools

Hazel Academy Notes

THESE early weeks in the present school year have been busy ones indeed. A bountiful crop had to be harvested while earnest work was done in the schoolroom. For this reason little has been heard from the academy through these columns this fall.

On Sabbath night, October 23, an enthusiastic body of students gathered in the parlor to organize a literary society. The purpose of the meeting, however, was not carried out as it developed that the students had arranged a surprise program for the faculty. The program was excellent and very much enjoyed by all.

Professor Grounds is leader of our young people's society and Miss Alsie Gray is secretary. The meeting is held each Sabbath afternoon and all seem to enjoy the programs which are short, but interesting.

One afternoon last week all went nutting. A splendid supply of hickory nuts for winter use is our reward.

Mr. Forrest Wade, who has been staying with relatives in town, entered our school home this week. We are glad to have Forrest back with us.

Definite plans are being laid for thorough work in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. With the Lord's help we hope a good report of this effort can be given later.

Remember that while the nations of the world are training millions to destroy and to be destroyed on the fields of Armageddon under the prince of this world there are others being trained in the schools of the prophets to go out as soldiers of the cross under Prince Emmanuel to save and to be saved. Surely if ever the Master had a work for his training centers to do it is now. I appeal to every young man and woman whose heart has been touched by the great work lying before us to remember that the training comes before the battle if one would be victorious. It is not yet too late to enter one of our schools this fall. Can you plan it? The Lord helps those who help themselves.

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