

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

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No. 11

God's Way and Mine

' I asked my Lord to lead me for a day, I did not know or care what he might say; So long as he would lead me, I'd agree To follow paths I could or could not see, Or try to carry loads I scarce could lift, And move as he directed, slow or swift. I would not murmur if the road was rough. Nor ask for more when he had giv'n enough To meet my simple needs, both few and small -I'd be content and thankful in it all. But when he bade me suffer and be still I then rebelled against my Master's will, And said I would not have him for my guide, Because his will ran counter to my pride. And yet I suffered, suffered once again; I asked for joy, he gave me only pain. I asked for rose-strewn pathways, sunny morns, I chose to tread on petals, not on thorns; But through the thorns he led me up the hill. I murmured at his "suffer and be still"-I could not grasp his meaning; I was prone To ask him for his way but keep my own. But one day, when my struggles had been sore, I asked my Lord to lead me just once more. This time I would not murmur 'gainst his will; I'd go or stay, or "suffer and be still." I would not have my own way - his was best; I'd gladly do, endure his wise behest. And then I understood why all my pain, And thorns came to me once again. It was withdrawing, by his gentle art, The thorns which pride had thrust into my heart, His oil and wine, poured on sin's open sore, The pain was just to heal, and nothing more. His thorns were lances to relieve disease. His hilly pathway led to plains of peace. He meant my life for joy, for power and bliss -Pain was remedial, work was happiness. And so my Lord has led me all these years; Sometimes he leads through smiles, sometimes through tears; But each day shows me that his way is best, For through its cloud or sunshine I am blest. - F. Watson Hannan.

The Best Thing

The best thing you have in this world is Today. Here it is, a wonderful treasure, a marvelous jewel. It's yours, all yours. It's in your hands. What are you going to do with it? Today you can be happy, not yesterday nor tomorrow. There is no happiness except Today's. Time is not divided into three parts, past, present, and future. There is only one real time: it is now.

Union Conference Meeting

The first meeting of the Union Conference will be held 7:30 Wednesday evening, March 22. Delegates should take notice of this change. We have announced the hour of beginning for 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, but on account of the general men being unable to arrive in time for that meeting, it has been postponed. All delegates should plan to be in Nashville for this meeting, as the series of meetings will be only six full days including the Sabbath.

All delegates will be furnished free room, and meals will be served on the cafeteria plan, each delegate paying for his own board. On arrival in Nashville, take any street car going east from the Union Depot, and in the transfer station transfer to the "9th Ave. N. Buena Vista" car and go to the end of the line. You will then be within three blocks of the Southern Publishing Association where the meeting is to be held. All delegates should go there to get their location.

The Southern Publishing Association meeting will convene 7:30 Monday evening, March 20. All delegates to the conference who desire to come early, will be welcome at this meeting and we feel sure it will be highly beneficial to all.

We expect to have with us at this meeting Elders Daniells, Evans, Thompson, and other general men from Washington. S. E. WIGHT.

The Men Behind the Books

A Good Ring From the Field

From practically all conferences comprising the territory of the Southern Publishing Association, most encouraging reports of our book work are being received at the present time. In fact, these reports have the same ring that those had which were received during the forepart of 1914 when such surprising success attended this work, and before the cotton situation got on the "inside" of so many of our workers. One colporteur in Mississippi reports \$200 worth of orders in one week. This shows that our workers are now learning to accommodate themselves to new conditions, and also to better improve the unusual opportunity now offered as a result of the demand which the war has created for Seventh-day Adventist literature. The following extracts from our correspondence will give some idea of the note of courage and determination that is being sounded throughout the field.

Kentucky

Brother James Hickman writes: "The prospect before our book work is very promising. We have learned from the experiences of the past year that more efficient work must be done in 1916. You may count on Kentucky again for this year." Incidentally we might add that Kentucky led the Southern Union in book sales in 1915, and we understand that Brother Hickman expects it to do so this year. However, from rumors that have reached us, it is quite evident that at least two, and possibly three, other States have their eye on first place at the close of 1916. We are inclined to think it will be well for our good friends of the "Blue Grass State" to take notice if they wish to retain their place at the head of the list.

Alabama Coming to the Front

A letter written by Brother J. W. Davis at the institute held at Red Level, Ala., contains the encouraging report of a splendid institute and that it was being attended by an exceptionally good class of workers. He states that "If they do as well as we believe they will, Alabama will run a pretty close race with Kentucky this year." Brother Davis also writes that the meeting was proving to be a very spiritual one and that the men would go to their fields with renewed courage and determination.

A Good Letter From Brother Harrison

In view of the fact that Brother A. F. Harrison labored for nearly twenty-five years in the Southern Union Conference, letters from him are always appreciated by a large number of our readers. We therefore take pleasure in quoting the following from a letter written from Mendag, Ark., as follows:

"We have a nice institute at this place. Fourteen are already present who will enter the work, and we look for several more today. It looks to me that old Arkansas is coming to the front. I will spend all this week here and then next week will go on to Little Rock to hold an institute with the colored people. . . . I shall not be surprised if South Texas does not pass all the Union again in her February report. Brother Conway is certainly getting hold of things down there, and is spending his time right out in the field with the boys. By the middle of this week, Brother Collison will have about fifteen at work in North Texas, with others to follow soon. We have the traces stretched and by the time school is out expect to turn up something. The very best students attending Keene Academy are in our canvassers' band."

We understand that Keene Academy has a colporteurs' band with a membership of over fifty, with the principal of the school as leader. Practically all of these expect to earn at least one scholarship this summer in the sale of our large subscription books and *The Watchman* magazine. We trust that this is a question that will receive careful consideration in the schools in this field.

Time Our Greatest Asset

A few days ago a copy of a circular letter sent out by the field missionary secretary of the Central Union Conference to his colporteurs was received at this office, which contains so much good advice that we take this opportunity of passing a liberal portion of it on to our workers. While we are blessed in this field with so much better climate than our good friends are up in the Central, yet there are times when the weather here is not the most pleasant. It is at such times that perhaps it is the most difficult to put in full time. We quote as follows:

"As your reports come to me week by week in this winter weather, a vivid picture, found in 1 Chron. 11:22, forces itself upon my mind. 'Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done many acts; he slew two lion-like men of Moab; also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in a snowy day.' This is practically all that is said about this man, but somehow the Lord attached so much significance to his bravery for being out on a snowy day that it has been placed in the Divine Record.

"Far different is the testimony given of Peter. He followed afar off from Jesus. Being afraid of the cold, he fell into bad company. 'And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a fire of coals; for it was cold: and they warmed themselves: and Peter stood with them, and warmed himself.' John 18:18. That was a bitter day for Peter, wasn't it? Had he walked briskly to keep up with Jesus, he would not have felt the cold, but by lingering and fussing about the weather, he made a bad record and almost lost his soul.

"And, dear brethren, do we not sometimes have about the same experience? When we sit in our sealed houses and look out upon the cold and snow we get chilled, turn 'blue,' and become languid in our experience; but when we are out hustling from house to house, no matter if our faces do get cold, our blood circulates faster and we feel better, both physically and spiritually. You know this is true.

In Canada, where I once canvassed, we had severe winters, with snow often from four to six feet deep, sometimes not seeing bare ground from October till April. Being a new country, it was frequently a long distance between houses. My cheeks and tongue would seem to thicken up with the cold, and often when I would reach a house I could not talk for five minutes, till my face warmed a little. More than once, too, have I slept with my clothes on, for though the people meant to be kind, their guest rooms, with cotton sheets, were like icebergs. Those winters now are the sweetest part of my experience. I cannot remember being sick a single day; and Oh the joy of enduring a little hardship for the blessed Master. You can now realize, dear workers, why it makes me happy to see your reports each week in this field without the loss of a day.

"Fellow-worker, I am appealing to you to help us rally to an *eight hour a day standard for 1916*. Let us talk it, pray it, and act it. You know *it can be done*. A little more consecration, a little more system, and unrelenting determination will bring it. And when we who are now in the field come up to the colors, the new soldiers that join the ranks from time to time will catch the spirit of our faithfulness and be ashamed to come up to the end of the week short of an average of eight hours a day. Many who will come into our ranks are men who have been accustomed to working eight, ten, and fourteen hours a day in the service of the world. They had to do it to make a living, and Oh that they might carry the same determined spirit of industry into the more important work of God.

"Brethren, we must cease to talk about the wonderful exploits of the canvasser who takes \$100 worth of orders in twenty or thirty hours, and then instead of going forward to make it \$150 or \$200 to the glory of God, spends the remaining precious ten or twenty hours of the week loitering, giving Satan an advantage to discourage him. Heaven's eye is upon the faithful man, - the forty-hour-a-week man, the four-weeks-in-themonth man, the forty-weeks-in-the-year man. Set your mark upon that man; watch for his name each week in the colporteurs' reports. He may be a plodder, his weekly sales may not be regarded as brilliant, but he will shine at the close of the year with sixteen hundred hours, \$1,600, his family properly cared for, free from debt to the world or the tract society; and in the ledger of heaven will be inscribed the words, Faithful . > . His works do follow him." R. L. PIERCE.

Five Interested; Four Ready

One little thirteen-year-old magazine agent writes: "There are five different people who are interested very much, four of whom I am expecting to see take their stand for the truth any time, the other is a man who said he would be out to prayermeeting tonight. Of course there are many more, but these seem to be especially interested." Others are winning souls with our magazines. Why not you? Give *The Watchman* a trial. It accomplishes definite results. Order a supply of the April number now.

A man must stand erect, not be kept erect by others.— Aurelius.

Alabama Conference

Conference Directory

 A. L. MILLER, President.
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East 5:50

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Sunset Table. Standard Time. Friday, March 17

West 6:07

News Items

Sister E. C. Kelley, of Anniston, orders four hundred Present Truth Extras for use in that city.

Brother C. A. Wilson, of Huntsville, is using Present Truth Extras in his work. These extras are splendid home missionary ammunition, and we recommend them.

• Brother L. C. Little, of Whistler, records a supply of Present Truth Extras. Brother Little has used some of every number and the last order calls for No. 14. Success is attending the efforts of the Mobile Missionary Society.

Morning Watch Calendars are still having a good sale. The latest order is from Mae Lorren, of Borden Springs.

Brother W. H. Daniels orders Present Truth Series No. 14 and a supply of tracts to use in Citronelle.

Brother C. L. Trawick writes that he is enjoying the Sabbath school lessons which we have been studying of late. He asks regarding "Desire of Ages" as a help to be used in the Sabbath school. This excellent book will prove a real help, especially in the study of the life of Christ.

When our people fail to do the work which they should, others are raised up to perform the duty. This is forcibly illustrated by orders which are reaching this office from time to time. The express agent in one of the offices in Florida has placed two large orders for the temperance book, "The Shadow of the Bottle," and is selling them. He reports splendid success, and is enthusiastically engaged in the temperance work.

Elder James Bellinger, in telling of a recent trip to Baldwin County, states that he carried along a few Harvest Ingathering papers, and while in that district obtained donations for missions. He also disposed of thirteen Temperance Instructors, which was all he had with him. He could have sold double this number just as well as not. He says, "The other day I went out to Prichard and took three Temperance Instructors with me and sold them. I sat down by a man in the street car and in a few moments had him reading the first article in the Instructor. When I came to my station, I told him I was working in the interest of the temperance cause and he could help by buying a paper. Said he, 'I will take this one, for I guess I need it. I am the sheriff, and this whiskey business is an awful thing.'" Surely this is a good testimony for the Temperance Instructor.

Mrs. E. C. Kelley orders another supply of the Morning Watch. She also wishes to be remembered in our prayers.

O. Caldwell, of James, Ala., sends in a nice remittance, and asks that the following supplies be sent to his address: one "Bible Text Book," one "Change of the Sabbath," and *The Watchman* for a year. He also places a standing order for the Sabbath School Quarterly.

Brother S. S. Guilford is now working in Bullock County, and is having good success in taking orders.

Sister P. R. Rainwater orders a "Bible Footlights" prospec-

tus, and states that she wishes to enter the colporteur ranks again.

Brother H. M. Smith places an order for Sabbath school supplies for the second quarter.

Sister Caroline Barnwell orders the *Watchman* and "Our Paradise Home" sent to her address. Sister Barnwell is an isolated Sabbath keeper and is endeavoring to hold up the light of truth in her locality. She has been doing quite a little missionary work in Flomaton and asks an interest in the prayers of all that she may be faithful to the end.

Sister Jennie Washam sends in her tithes for the month, accompanied by a payment on the one per cent fund.

Birmingham Church No. 2

I am sure those who have visited the Birmingham church will be glad to know of the many rich blessings that we are receiving daily from God. In January a seven days' meeting was conducted by Elder J. G. Dasent in a hall in the heart of the city. Notwithstanding the cold and rainy weather during the meetings, we had large crowds and many hearts were touched. We have reason to believe that some will take their stand for God. We are still following up the interest. We thank God today that our church is in a good spiritual condition, and that all, from the least to the oldest, are at work. We find this the only way to keep Satan out.

The number is increasing who are paying tithe, and by the last of this month we expect every member on our church roll will be paying tithe. The tract and missionary society is working hard. The young people's missionary volunteer society is at work, and the Sabbath school is very much interested in its part of the work.

It seems as never before that we are receiving many blessings. About thirty have started to read their Bibles through this year and are making rapid progress. In fact the whole church is at work.

Our prayers are that souls may be given us as our hire. Will you with us pray for our success? J. J. PEARSON.

Bible Preservation Number "Signs of the Times" Magazine, April 1916

Is there a possibility of losing our Bible?

What are the great majority of gospel ministers saying?

What should be left out in a revision?

What should take its place?

What shall we do about it?

Should we not enlighten our neighbors and friends on this subject?

The April Signs Magazine is not only timely in its appearance, but it is startling in its revelations.

Notice this list of contents:

The Bible the Storm Center of the Ages

Shall We Have a New Bible?

Inspiration of the Old Testament Scriptures

The Divine Unity of the Bible

The Evidence of Prophecy

The Evidence of Science

The Sabbath in the New Testament

Man's Responsibility

Evolution of the Problem of Evil

When Death Entered the World

Some Observations on the Grip Plague

Leading current events of the month in the light of prophecy. This number, striking a vital theme, will doubtless receive a very wide sale. Orders can be filled through the tract society about March 1. Up to forty copies, 5 cents each; fifty or more, 4 cents each.

Mississippi Conference

Conference Directory

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OFFICE ADDRESS, 703 S. Gallatin St., Jackson, Miss.

East 6:02

Sunset Table. Standard Time. Friday, March 17

West 6: 18

News Items

The new pews for the church have just arrived and are being installed this week. This will add much to the appearance as well as to the comfort of the church.

Brother Henry Balsbaugh has for the past few days been soliciting money for a new cement sidewalk in front of the church. He has been going to people whom he asked before to assist on the church and has been meeting with very good success. One person who had failed to give him anything previously gave ten dollars toward this enterprise. We are all looking forward to soon having a new sidewalk.

Elder Chatman has for the past week or more been in Lexington, Ky., where he is assisting Elder Lawrence in a series of meetings.

Elder Wiest spent Wednesday night at Brookhaven with the colored believers. Sabbath he spent at Hattiesburg visiting both the white and the colored churches. He reports a good interest among the colored brethren, many new ones having been added since last summer.

Brother Watkins has been to Vicksburg and plans to hold a series of meeting near this place beginning the first week of this month.

On account of so many other pressing duties, Sister Wiest desired to be released from the school work, so in accordance with her desire Sister Medea Peterson was secured to take her place. Sister Peterson had been teaching at Quitman until the school was closed a few weeks ago.

Elder Burke has recently made a trip to Amory where he visited the Pine Grove and Hatley churches. He also stopped off at Brooksville and visited the believers there.

Have you seen the April Watchman? It is the best yet. Better send in your order for some for your friends and neighbors.

The Mississippi Legislature passed a law that all liquor advertisements are to cease in the daily papers and magazines. This will become a law just as soon as it is signed by the Governor, who has said that he will sign it just as soon as it is placed in his hands.

By the time this paper reaches our readers our colored institute will be almost over. We are expecting a good attendance at this meeting.

"The Sunday bill before the Senate has been unanimously reported favorable for passage by the special committee to which it was referred." This is a quotation taken from Brother Reavis' letter. We see from this that there is need on our part of putting literature in the hands of the people giving them light on religious liberty. Why not order some of the Free Press Extra of the *Liberty Magazine*? They are only one cent each postpaid.

"Harsh words are like drops of vitrol; they burn all that they touch, and leave everywhere little scars."

An Experience of Faith

About the middle of January some good friends made us a gift of three hundred January *Watchman* to further help in our new church building at Jackson, Miss. In a meeting of the church missionary society, January 20, Elder Wiest gave an earnest exortation on church work, pointing out the privilege and duty of all the workers. Then he asked for volunteers to sell these three hundred *Watchman*. Instead of a general response, only a few were ready to engage in the work. Jackson had been canvassed twice before within a year with our periodicals in behalf of our new church building, and with the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*.

Under this adverse condition some of the few volunteers began work by faith, and God blessed. Because publishing present truth is God's work we believed he would bless. Our good experience encouraged others to join in the work. As the public expects magazines offered for sale to be new, we felt that ours should be sold by the end of January. February came and we had about half still unsold, and then some who had at first taken some of the Watchman to sell, sent them back. In faith we still held on. Over a week later, the church school and teacher, Sister Wiest, joined the work for half a day. Before leaving the schoolroom we had a short meeting for consecration and instruction. God again blessed, for the little company from the youngest to the oldest still sold the January Watchman. It was a happy experience. Later we discovered more unsold papers that had been given out. In faith we continued by individual effort until all were sold, the last of them being over half a month out of date, yet all were sold for the full price. One sister sold five copies for more than full price, namely, one dollar. Another sister, without experience, sold twelve on the street one Saturday night. Another, also inexperienced' sold over thirty copies. One sister sold over one hundred, thus passing all her previous records. Quite a number were sold on Sunday mornings.

May this simple faith experience help the church, the whole church, to exercise more faith. The world over, conditions are against us and will grow more so, but faith overcomes.

HENRY BALSBAUGH.

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Lake Charles

I began the special series of meetings in our church at this place on the first of January, and have continued them until the present. I am holding three services in the week, Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, besides our regular Sabbath services. It is my plan to continue these meetings until the tent season opens in April.

The attractions in the other churches have been of an unusual character since the beginning of my efforts here. It seems that every church in town is having some great speaker of nasonal or worldwide reputation, and revivals are conducted in many of them. For these reasons I have had a hard time in getting people out to the meetings, and on account of sickness, most of our people, who live some distance in the country, have not been attending and helping out in the meetings. Nevertheless, the Lord is blessing us, and for this I thank him and take courage. The Lord is leading me just as verily in times of trial and adversity as he does in times of apparently great success.

I have visited nearly every minister in town, and have been received kindly and had interesting talks about our faith. I have loaned each of them a copy of our new "History of the Sabbath," by Andrews and Conradi. They have promised to read it, and now let us hope and pray that the book may do the work that an argument usually fails to do.

The daily paper in this city has been very kind in publishing all notices and reports that I have sent in for publication, although the editor is a Knight of Columbus.

I have devoted a great deal of my time to visiting from house to house and in giving out systematically the *Review* Extras.

During the past week I have spent some time in giving Bible readings. Now I am hoping that I will be able to get some people to hear the truth in this way that I may not be able to get out to the meetings.

God helping me, I am determined to do my best to bring the light of present truth to the attention of the thousands of this city in the most favorable way possible. O. F. FRANK.

Lake Charles, La.

Kentucky Conference

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East 5:38

Sunset Table. Standard Time. Friday, March 17 West 6:09

News Items

Brother James Hickman, our field secretary, is assisting Brother Bowles in Elliott County at the present time.

Elder O. A. Dow, of Louisville, writes that they are planning to have baptism there in a few weeks.

Brother F. F. Harrison, of Covington, writes that the work is moving forward in that place and that he is of good courage in the Lord. He sent in the names of some prospective canvassers.

Brother Wm. F. Bom, of Henderson, writes that they are planning a campaign in that church to raise their twenty-centa-week fund. Brother Bom has recently moved to Route 5. He states that they are planning to start another Sabbath school about twelve miles from Henderson.

Brother Reichenbach writes that he had some good experiences in his canvassing work the past week; he has found some people he thinks will soon accept the truth.

Sister Overstreet has begun work in Bowling Green with that good book, "Heralds of the Morning."

Brother Michael has sent in a remittance the past week and writes that he is of good courage.

Brother R. W. Beck, of Sand Hill, died very suddenly a few days ago. The funeral was held in the Baptist church, where a large congregation listened to Elder B. W. Brown speak on the resurrection. Brother Bowles, of Nicholasville, has just finished a delivery, and sends in a remittance to pay his account in full. We are glad that God has blessed this brother in his work.

Brother C. W. Vermillion, of Ford, writes that he is of good courage and that God blessed him in his last delivery.

Brother S. G. Grimes and wife were callers at the office the past week and ordered a number of our good papers.

Miss Bessie Shoemaker, of Paint Lick, sent in a remittance recently. She reports her school work going nicely in that place.

Sister Hammond, of Salyersville, writes encouragingly and sends in an order to the tract society.

Brother Jeff Hickman has made a delivery the past week and reports that he is of good courage.

Sister A. R. Tyrer, of Lexington, sent in the remittance for that church and we are glad to know that they are of good courage and pressing forward to raise their twenty-cent-a-week fund.

Elder W. H. White reports an interest on the part of a few in the city of Covington to learn this last message.

At the church elders' convention in Louisville the matter of raising the standard in our churches was discussed, and the elders went to their different churches with a determination to see the work advance along all lines this year.

Sister Maggie Schomburg, of Louisville, has sent in her church remittance and writes an encouraging letter as to the prospect of the work in that city.

Brother R. W. Harris is again in the canvassing field and we expect to receive some good reports from him in the near future.

Brother Alonzo Ramey, of Davisville, expects to put in his time selling the printed page.

Sister Kate Washington, of the Chestnut Street church in Louisville, writes that they are of good courage and sends in her church remittance for the past month.

Brother E. A. Williams has just returned to the office from Slick Rock. He is very busy these days.

Elder J. H. Lawrence is holding a revival meeting in Louisville at this writing.

A number of persons have ordered the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER the past week and we hope and trust that each member of the conference will read this little paper each week. It tells what is being done in our own State as well as the Union. Those who will send us twenty-five cents will receive the paper until January 1, 1917.

Brother Winston is now in Lexington looking after the work there while Brother Lawrence is away.

Miss Mollie Crockett writes that they have now located at Centerville and have found a number of people who are anxious to learn the truth.

Institute at Louisville

The institute held at Louisville was attended by ten workers. A number of the church members also were present a large part of the time, and every one felt that it was time to seek the Lord earnestly and be more diligent in our work of winning souls.

Our workers left the meeting with a new hold upon the Lord, and we expect this to be our banner year in book sales. Those who failed to attend missed one of the best meetings ever held in this conference. We have entered the time of trouble and soon it will be too late to join the King's army of reapers. "Woe to them that are at ease in Zion." Amos 6: 1.

There are many persons in our conference that the Lord is calling to go into the highways and sound this last warning message.

Who will rally to the front and thus have the cooperation of Christ and heavenly angels? JAMES HICKMAN.



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PROF. S. L. CLARK, Principal Hazel Academy, Hazel, Ky.

East 5:36

Sunset Table. Standard Time. Friday, March 17

West 6: 12

News Items

Brother W. W. Murray has taken up the colporteur work and is located in Franklin, Tenn. He is working with that good book "Bible Readings." We are glad to welcome Brother Murray to our ranks.

Brother W. D. Wade writes that he has just completed a 100 per cent delivery and is very much encouraged over the prospects for a good summer's campaign with our message-filled books.

Brother and Sister Keele have been working among the best class of people in their new field of labor in Fulton, Ky. They report some interesting experiences the past week, and write that their courage is good.

Brother Wheeler left Nashville, Thursday, March 9, for Springville, where he will assist the new workers in the work. Brethren Jesse Allen and E. O. Stahl will soon take up the work from the Springville church. We are glad that these brethren have made up their minds to take up this important branch of the work.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Wolcott report the arrival of a nice baby boy at their home at Ashland City. We hope that he will be a colporteur when he is older.

Brother H. E. Alston writes that the outlook for his mission work at Jackson, Tenn., is good, and that one woman has just taken her stand for the truth. We are glad for these encouraging reports.

Brethren Wagner and Lindsey have purchased a horse and buggy and say that they will send in some large reports each week as soon as the weather will permit aggressive work.

Mrs. Julia Bradley was an office visitor last week. Sister Bradley is sending literature to her friends and relatives. This is good work, and all of our brethren and sisters should not forget those who know not the third angel's message.

Brother A. W. Spaulding was an office visitor recently and transacted some business while in the office.

FOR SALE: 52 acres of land situated eight miles from Portland, Tenn., near Gallatin Pike; 30 acres cleared, seven-room house occupied, but not yet completed, concrete cellar, good 30x40 foot barn, good water, lumber, and other improvements. Price \$1,500. For further information write to George Wallace, Fountain Head, Tenn.

FOR SALE: Six-room house in good repair, just repainted and papered; good out buildings; sixty fruit trees; one and onehalf acres of land; located on the Gallatin Pike, five miles from Nashville, and four miles from Madison, and only five minutes' walk from the Gallatin Interurban car line. Address F. E. Wagner, Madison, Tenn:

WANTED: First-class hygienic cook. Address Mrs. F. C. Hightower. 318 Bolivar Street, Jackson, Tenn.

Of Interest to All

On January 4 Brother C. G. Bishop went to Robertson County to take up work with that good book, "Daniel and the Revelation." In spite of bad weather and sickness, he has worked faithfully, putting in almost three hundred hours. He has just completed his first delivery and his reports show that he has averaged nearly seventy-five cents per hour. That is a good record, and in the new earth, if faithful, he will meet those to whom he has been instrumental in giving the truth, as the Lord tells us that we will there sit down and talk with those to whom we have given the message.

B. E. Wagner and D. E. H. Lindsey are nicely located at Columbia, Tenn. These young men have been doing excellent work, some weeks having averaged nearly \$3 per hour. They are located in one of our best counties. Watch for their reports, as they mean business.

Brother and Sister Keele are located in Fulton, Ky. They are enjoying their work and the Lord is blessing their efforts. Sister Keele reports \$77 worth of orders in 56 hours. This is as it should be. Brother Keele is doing good work and has set his mark high. This is what I like to see a man do — set his aim high and then work to it.

Brother W. D. Wade is working Henry County for that wonderful book, "Great Controversy," and the Lord is blessing his efforts. Brother Wade has been one of Tennessee's most successful farmers, but he has decided to obey the call of the Lord and give his life to the work of placing our literature in the homes of the people. He has just finished a 100 per cent delivery.

Brother F. E. Wagner is doing an excellent work around the Madison School. He finds the people more eager for the books when they know something of what they teach, as this creates a desire to know more. Brother Wagner is very faithful in his work and conducts it in a way that draws people to the truth. He has placed many pages of our literature in the homes of the people and is starting out this year with a new zeal and determination to do more than ever before.

Brother J. N. Womack has decided to leave the farm for good and give his time to the canvassing work. The Lord has blessed him in the past and he has done faithful work. He says that he does not enjoy the blessings of God when he is not in the work; so he has determined to remain in the work and win souls for the Master. It would be pleasing to God if many of our brethren would leave their worldly business and take up the canvassing work.

Brother Hazelton is faithfully continuing his work with "Great Controversy." He has placed many books in the homes of the people and no doubt there will be souls in the kingdom as a result of his work. He has recently made a very successful delivery.

Brother W. W. Murray has just started out in Williamson County and the Lord is blessing him. He says that he knows the Lord is with him and there is no failure in the work. He is a very consecrated worker and I feel sure that through his efforts the truth will be brought to many homes.

Brethren Stahl, Hixson, and Allen will take up the work in the near future. These brethren have had some experience in canvassing and have decided to obey the Lord and let the Gentiles do the farming, the aliens be the vine dressers, and the strangers feed their flocks, while they go out to win souls for the Master.

The sun shines bright in Tennessee and our work is coming up this year. The outlook is brighter than it has been for years in this field. The men behind the book work in this State mean business. Frequent applications are coming in for territory, and if you desire to engage in this work, let us hear from you at once. M. WHEELER, *Field Missionary Secretary*.

Trustee's Sale

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as trustee, by the deed of trust recorded in Book No. 478, page 3, and noted in Note Book 27, page 162, will sell at Hillcrest Farm, situated about five miles from Nashville on the White's Creek Pike, in Davidson County, Tennessee, at 10 o'clock A. M., Thursday, April 6, 1916, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, free from the equity of redemption, homestead, dower, and all other exemptions of every kind, which are expressly waived in said deed of trust, the following, being a tract of land in the 21st Civil District of Davidson County, Tennessee, about five miles from Nashville on southwest side of White's Creek Pike and described as follows: Beginning in the center of said Turnpike at T. D. Webb's N. E. corner, running thence with said Webb's N. Westerly line S. 53° W. 98 poles to a stone in the center of fence; thence south 361/2° E. 27.4 poles to a stone 10 feet east of a gully; thence S. 60° W. 58.4 poles to the center of White's Creek, said Webb's N. W. corner opposite a honey locust on the bank of said creek; then up the center of said creek as follows: N. 45° W. 28 poles; N. 211/4° W. 34 poles; N. 3214° W. 19 poles; N. 21° W. 18 poles to a point opposite an angle in a stone wall, continuing up said creek N. 111/2° E. 16 poles; N. 26° E. 24 poles; N. 6° E. 25 poles more or less, to the southwest corner of a tract of land conveyed by Dr. Crockett to Droper, by deed recorded in Book 58, page 386, R. O. D. C. Tenn. Thence with Droper's line east 42 poles to an offset in the line; thence south .32 of a pole; thence S. 89° E. 75 poles to the center of said turnpike, to the north end of a triangular tract of land conveyed by Mary Ann Green to W. W. T. Crockett by deed recorded in Book 60, page 459, R. O. D. C. Tenn.; thence with the center of said pike, S. 34° E. 42 poles more or less to the beginning, containing 93 acres and 86 poles more or less. Also a tract of land in the 12th Civil Dist. of Davidson County, Tennessee, containing by estimation 88.1 acres. Beginning in the center of Ewing's Creek under center of a bridge over Ewing's Creek where White's Creek Pike crosses same, the S. E. Corner of the tract of land conveyed to J. C. Patrick by deed from James A. Vaughn, Book 48, page 450, and runs thence with the center of White's Creek Pike N. 3714° W. passing the N. W. corner of said tract at 711/2 poles, containing with the center of said pike in all 1121/4 poles to a point in the center of said pike (A. P. McFerrin N. W. corner), also the S. E. corner of a 3 acre tract conveyed by M. Vance to S. D. Baldwin by deed registered in Book 27, page 72, R. O. D. C.; thence with said McFerrin's line N. $42\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E. 60 poles to the center of a lane; thence S. 75° W. 15.6 poles to the N. E. corner of a 5 acre tract conveyed by A. W. Putman to F. C. Treppard; see Book 16, page 72-3, R. O. D. C.; thence with the N. line of said 5 acre tract, S. 89° W. 52.5 poles to said pike; S. 371/4° E. 11.35 poles to the ¹ corner of a tract of land conveyed by J. C. Kirkpatrick to W. W. T. Crockett by deed in Book 60, page 228, R. O. D. C.; thence with the line of said tract S. 53° W. 98 poles to a stake; thence S. 36 1/2° E. 27.4 poles; thence S. 47 3/4° E. 116.8 poles to the center of Ewing's Creek; thence up said creek N. 351/2° E. 15.5 poles to a point in center of said creek; thence N. 88° E. 32 poles; and thence N. 39° E. 31 poles to the beginning.

S. E. WIGHT, Trustee.

A word of explanation will be in order, for the readers of this paper will wonder why the Hillcrest School Farm is to be sold under a mortgage. This is a means to give a clear title to the farm, which is the cheapest. All who have had experience in transferring real estate will readily understand it.

S. E. WIGHT.

Colporteurs' Report Southern Union Conference, Week Ending March 4, 1916

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Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Valu	e	Helps	Tota	1	Deliv	<i>.</i>
Robert Cook HM	39	9	\$20	00	\$	\$20	00	\$	
B D Crawford .BR	8	1	3	00		3	00		
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M L Ivory нн	90	5	10	50		10	50		
Q TewBR	38	2	6	00		6	00	21	00
- Totals (Agts. 5)	232	35	\$78	00	\$ 2 20	\$80	20	\$21	00
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JBReichenbach BR	28	9	27	00	\$	27	00	\$	
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Wm J Keele D&R	35	8	26	00	2 25	28	25	6	00
Mrs Mae Keele BR	23	10	34	00		34	00		
W D Wade .BF&GC	20	1	3	00	75	3	75	29	00
Bibles				85			85	20	00
Totals (Agts. 5)	210	42	\$116	85	\$17 30	\$134	15	\$227	4(
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Summary from January 1 to Date

Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
Alabama Conference	\$ 493 00	18 55	\$ 53 35
Kentucky Conference.	1686 95	$56 \ 45$	$787 \ 35$
Louisiana Conference .	$224 \ 15$	1 10	$193 \ 00$
Mississippi Conference	$1489 \ 00$	$62 \ 05$	267 50
Tenn.River Conference	$1051 \ 75$	$153\ 65$	406 90
 Totals	\$4944 85	\$291 90	\$1708 10

Magazine Agents' Report for Week Ending March 4, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

ALABAMA CONFERENCE			
Agent	No.		Value
B D Crawford	6	\$	30
Clara Miller	73		7 30
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE			
Mrs. J B Reichenbach	50		$5 \ 00$
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE		•	
Lura Reed	50		$5 \ 00$
TENNESSEE RIVER CONFEREN	CE		
Wm J Keele	10		1 00
Mrs. Mae Keele	13		1 30
Totals	202		\$19 90

World Federation

Six separate bills have been introduced in Congress for the purpose of having the United States lead out in the formation of a world court, world congress, and a world army and navy, in other words, a world federation of all the nations. What would this mean? Is this a sign? See the April Watchman.

* Two Weeks.



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Institute Dates for 1916

Mississippi, Greenville Mar. 10-20 (colored) Louisiana Apr. 3-13.

Fire at Jackson, Miss.

Sunday morning, March 12, the following telegram was received at the conference office: "Conference building, equipment, Marshall's furniture destroyed by fire. Building insured."

Union Conference Circulating Library

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These books are absolutely free to you, costing you nothing but the return postage, and may be kept for two full weeks. What a privilege for our young people! Now let us all take hold and read as we have never read before. During conference week, Dr. W. E. Hicks, eye specialist, will be pleased to see patients and friends at his house 2409 Hyde St., near the Southern Publishing Association, from 8 to 10 in the morning, and after meetings at night.

Southern Union Conference Association

Notice is hereby given that the fifth biennial session of the constituency of the Southern Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the chapel of the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., Monday, Mar. 27, 1916, at 9 A. M., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing quadrennial term and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Dated Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 17, 1916.

S. E. WIGHT, President,

G. H. Curtis, Secretary.

Meeting of the Southern Union Conference

The first meeting of the seventh biennial session of the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the chapel of the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., Wednesday, Mar. 22, 1916 at 9 A. M.

Each conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization and one additional delegate for each fifty of its church organization.

Dated Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 17, 1916.

S. E. WIGHT, President,

G. H. CURTIS, Secretary.

New Studies by Correspondence

The Fireside Correspondence School, Takoma Park, D. C., desires to announce lessons in the following new subjects: Logic, Geology, Reporting and Punctuation, and Bible for grades four to seven. Those interested should write to the foregoing address for further information and for our booklet entitled "The Fireside Correspondence School in a Nutshell."

C. C. LEWIS, Principal.

A Rainy Day Song

This long-promised song is now ready. It is by the author of the "Boat Song," and is just as simple and delightful as the other. The children will never be satisfied to sing it on rainy Sabbaths only. It is in the April number of the Sabbath School Worker. Extra copies have been provided. Price: two copies, postpaid, five cents; six copies, ten cents. Copies of the "Boat Song" may be obtained at the same rate. If both are desired, state how many of each are wanted. Send your order, accompanied by the cash, direct to the Sabbath School Department, Takoma Park, D. C. The Department carries no accounts.

Fresh Air

What is fresh air? Does a sleeping porch necessarily imply fresh air? Can one have fresh air indoors? Is a draft necessary in supplying fresh air? Does breathing air invariably render it impure? Is fresh air damp, dry, cold, or warm? Is fresh air a product of one's imagination? Does fresh air require one to be uncomfortable in order to obtain it, or is it air free from dust, cool, dry, and in motion, whether in or out of doors?

Read Dr. Morse's article on "Fresh Air" in the April number of *Life and Health*. Read also the editor's article, "The Building Stones of the Body." In fact, the entire issue is worth while worth the price of the health mentor for a full year.