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#### Educational Day, August 5

This has been set apart by the Educational Department as a day when we shall consider the education of our young people and plan for their entrance into school this fall. The world is bidding high for our young people, and we must do everything within our power to win them back to the truth before it is everlastingly too late. This last year the statistics show that there were approximately six hundred thirty students'enrolled in the different conference schools in this union, but this does not represent more than half of those who might be in school if the way opened. This means that at least six hundred are either attending public school or no school at all. With the shortness of time before us and the spirit of intensity taking hold upon everything as it is, is it not time we gave careful consideration to the problem of educating our young people?

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To nearly all of us this is purely a question of finance. We see the need and we desire to cooperate in every way possible, but somehow the money seems lacking. If we are conscientious in this matter however, I am sure the Lord will open the way and enable us to secure teachers who can train our young people properly. They must be trained sometime and they must be prepared somehow to meet the issues of the day. They cannot be trained properly to do this in the public schools, not because of the quality of the work in the public schools, but because we have a special training for this special time. Should we not then as parents and young people study this question carefully and prayerfully, and ask guidance to enable us to stop such a large percentage of our children attending schools where they will be drawn into other work than our o ?? It seems to me the whole solution lies in the question of cotion. God has promised that if we will purge ourselves be vessels of honor, sanctified and meet for the Master's use. He has also told us we should give our children the education they need. If we purge our lives and consecrate ourselves most fully to his work, surely he will not permit the way to be hedged up so we cannot educate our children in accordance with his plan. Let us set our minds to this task, b .thren, and come up to the help of the Lord, and we will notice """ in our church schools, but also in our academies and wheges, a spirit taking possession of our young people that we have longed to see for many years. LYNN H. WOOD.

#### Ooltewah Meeting at Huntsville

In harmony with the recommendations made by the committee at Ooltewah, members of the school board made arrangements to visit the different churches in the interests of the \$15,-000 fund.

On Sabbath, July 8, a meeting was held with the Oakwood church at Huntsville, Ala. Our colored brethren were very much interested in the situation, and much enthusiasm was shown as the relation of our colored work to the new enterprise was discussed. It is true that as a work like this advances, all departments in the union will reap a benefit. The church was called upon to make a donation to this fund. Professor Boyd and Elder Hoopes each took a few minutes to speak to the church, showing the need of definite cooperation and organization. The church responded to this appeal and gave most liberally. An itemized list follows showing the amount of cash and pledges given by them.

Name	Cash	Pledges	Date to be Pd
Mr. and Mrs. Adams	\$	\$100	Sept. 15
Mery Abel		25	July 16-20
Emma Addison	5 00	)	•
Katie E. Baker	50	ł	·.
Mrs. W. H. Baker	20	)	
Bertha Bartholomew	5  00	)	
J. Baugh	1 00	)	•
T. J. Buckner	1 00	)	
C. J. Boyd		$2 \ 00$	Sept. 1
Mrs. C. J. Boyd		2 00	Sept. 1
Harold Boyd		$1 \ 00$	Sept. 1
Corrine Bass		10	July 9

The Tool is the	1.00		
E. I. Cartwright	1 00		
Andral Clark	10		
C. S. Corkham	2 00		
Mrs. T. H. Derrick	1 50		
Maude Dickson	50		
Isadore Evans		15	July 9
H. D. Green		$1 \ 00$	Sept. 1
Irma Halladay	1 00	1	
F. W. Halladay	10 00	l i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	
L. A. Hoopes	1 00	1	
P. J. Johnson		5 00	Aug. 15
Charles Jackson		10	Sept. 1
Ramos Little		- 25	July 9
Gracie Knight	1 00	1	
Anna Knight	2 00	ł	
G. H. Jeys	1 00	)	
Mrs. J. S. Marshall	1 00	)	
J. L. Martin	05		
John Mathews	10	) *	
Mrs. H. C. Maynor		1 00	July 15
Mary E. Miles		1 00	Sept. 15
Mary L. Moore	\$	50	Sept.
Mrs. J. S. Martin		1 00	Sept. 1
Frank McRae		50	Sept.
Hence Nixon		1 00	Sept. 1
F. M. Palmer	25		
H. T. M. Palmer	1 05		
Josephine Pompier		1 00	Sept.
Etta L. Reeder		2 00	Oct. 1
· ·		2 00	0.00

Mrs. B. Rich	- 25		
N. F. Simmons		1 00	Aug. 15
Letitia Samuels		25	July 9
Jennie Stratton		1 00	July 15
J. D. Stephens	1 00		
J. M. and Duffie Swafford	$5 \ 00$		
N. J. Tait	2.00		
Lynn H. Wood	$5 \ 00$		
Mrs. M. G. Wood	1 00		
Anna Ward	· 40		
Richard Wilson	07		
Mrs. Whatley		1 00	July 28
Amanda J. Ware	,	1 00	October
Joel Young	20		
A Friend	25		
Totals	\$50 92	\$25 10	

Surely when our colored brethren take so keen an interest in this school matter, it should be an encouragement to us to press forward and leave no stone unturned to see that this fund is raised in time to open school October 18. Now is the time to rally and show that the South can do what it has planned. Let us advance the interests of the work in such a way that it can be finished in a short time. It is planned that from each church visited an itemized statement of the cash and pledges that are taken will be sent in, and week by week we will see this fund grow until we have reached the goal. Let us all praise God for the evidence of his favor, and move forward with an eye single to the glory of his work. Lynn H. Woop.

The essence of true nobility is neglect of self. Let the thought of self pass in, and the beauty of a great action is gone, like the bloom from a soiled flower. — *Froude*.

# Mississippi Conference

#### **President's Report**

To the delegates of the sixteenth annual session of the Mississippi Conference of Seventh-day Adventists assembled at Meridian, Miss., July 27 — August 6, Greetings:

We are living in eventful times. On every hand events are transpiring which are full of meaning to the student of prophecy. Never were evidences so marked and signs so open and clear that we are living in the judgment hour. Who will dispute that this age is the response to Revelation 11: 18-"And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them that destroy the earth." No historian has ever recorded such events as have taken place the last two years. Great and momentous affairs were set in motion when the crown prince of Austria was assassinated in the summer of 1914. Little did we think that such an act would set two-thirds of the world on fire and involve millions of souls in a long, terrible controversy. Few are they who understand the deep undercurrent of evil working in every nation and among all people. But, of a truth, the spirits of devils "go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty." The great enemy of truth is directing the affairs of this world for the closing events of its history.

Never has the responsibility been greater and more solemn on those who have the duty of announcing the definite message of the second coming of Christ to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. No people or set of men are better qualified to give a reasonable explanation of the present upheaval now existing in the earth. We know that the conditions of today are an answer to prophecy.

Not only are the nations angry and perplexed and the earth "full of violence," but the spiritual awakening that is so marked among heathen nations is another evidence of the last days. In China, India, Korea, and other nations the door closed to Christianity for many centuries is now wide open, and a remarkable response is being given to the messenger of truth. This awakening gives evidence that the third angel's message will be speedily carried to the ends of the earth. Yes, men everywhere are ready to listen to the voice of prophecy. May each believer in Mississippi study to show himself approved of God, rightly dividing the Word of truth.

The message, "Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come," must go forth with no uncertain sound. The time has come when the cry must be, "There shall be delay no longer." All things are now ready; the guests are being gathered to attend the marriage supper of the Lamb; and the hour has arrived for the saints to arise to take possession of their inheritance. However, before the fulfilment of these promises, the announcement of Christ's coming must sound throughout this whole land. The Lord will punish all who are "settled on their lees," as Zephaniah would express it. It is therefore our divine duty to proclaim the message that is due to the world today. There is no better way to discharge our duty in this matter than by the system of

#### HOME MISSIONARY WORK

This has proved to be a very effective method in reaching the neighbors; and the organizing of the work so that every member is at work will do wonders to make known the message. Never was the call more urgent and the needs greater. Therefore not one believer should seek an excuse from taking part along these lines of missionary endeavor. Much has been done in awakening the working faculties among our people since this definite missionary work was started. Many souls will doubtless walk the streets of gold on account of reading a tract, a magazine, or because of even a kind word spoken in an opportune time. A systematic house-to house work with the *Signs of the Times* weekly or the Present Truth Series should be carried on by many from month to month.

Looking over the past year and comparing the success that attended our work with previous years, we have every reason to rejoice and sing praises unto the Lord for his goodness and tender mercies. Surely the smiling face of heaven has been resting upon the Mississippi Conference. Not that we did not meet with perplexities and disappointments, but these very clouds were turned into golden blessings of heavenly sunshine.

#### THE COLPORTEUR WORK

I am pleased to report that this branch of the work has again come to the front. The disappointment caused by the European war has been waived, and we are adjusted to the new conditions. We have learned that the public will spend money to learn the meaning of the present happenings. Our field secretary will give you a more detailed report of this work, but I cannot let this opportunity pass without saying a word.

While we are but a small conference, nevertheless we are doing more in the selling of literature than many of our larger conferences.

The year 1915 shows a small decrease over the past two years.

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We excused ourselves on account of the universal national upheaval, and felt well satisfied to deliver \$10,718.97 worth out of \$30,000 worth of orders taken. However, since the readjustment, the book-work soon reached our former record again. The year 1916 will, I believe, show a decided gain.

#### THE TWENTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND

On account of the financial undertaking to build the Jackson church and conference building, we felt it rather difficult to meet the full obligation resting upon us by virtue of the organized work. In many of our conferences the building of a church would not affect the conference, but in our case, where the membership two years ago was only 143, to erect a church costing \$8,669 was no small undertaking. But today we can say, "Behold what God hath wrought!" The year 1915 was very abnormal in Mississippi. A gloom of despondency overshadowed the people, yet the Lord has remarkably blessed in that we have reached our full quota on the twenty-cent-aweek fund in the conference, and have made a good record in the mission.

#### CONFERENCE

	1914	1915
Membership	132	143
Amount raised	$$1805 \ 06$	\$1487 69
Per week per member	<b>\$</b> 26	20
Mission		
Membership	124	168
Amount raised	\$ 569 00	\$ 670 38
Per week per member	\$ 0834	\$ 073⁄4

This is a splendid record under the existing conditions.

In the tithe we made a steady gain when compared with the tithe four years ago.

	1912	1913	1914	1915
White	\$2577 49	$$2777 \ 49$	\$2600 99	\$3112 79
Colored .	\$ 945 84	\$1373 \ 03	\$1211 89	\$1290 61

While these figures are not large, yet I do feel that with our small membership the gain is commendable, and that heaven's watchcare has been over us.

It may be of interest to note the increase of membership for the last four years.

White	$\begin{array}{c} 1912\\ 132 \end{array}$	$1913 \\ 143 \\ 163$	$1914 \\ 172 \\ 171$	1915 171 201	$1916 \\ 185 \\ 234$	
Totals		306	343	372	419	

This is not the gain which we would be pleased to see, and yet we are glad to know that with our meager ministerial force the Lord has blessed with the addition of this many.

SABBATH SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

I will leave the reporting of the Sabbath School and young people's work to the two secretaries heading these two departments. I am sure that you will be pleased to note the splendid work accomplished in these lines.

THE BURNING OF OUR CONFERENCE PROPERTY

It is a fact doubtless known to all present that on March 11, 1916, our conference building at 932 Union St., was destroyed by fire. Our hearts were indeed made sad to see the building, our whole tent outfit, and Brother Marshall's household goods given to the destructive flames. For a time we were much perplexed as to how we could replace that which was destroyed. There are things which money can never replace. Nevertheless, the Lord has remarkably blessed in replacing our loss. I am sure that we can all praise God for what our eyes see today. A number of inquiries came soon after the fire in reference to our camp-meeting. To many it looked impossible to secure the necessary equipment for the camp-meeting. Indeed, had the money to be raised within our own conference lines, it would have been well-nigh an impossibility. This, however,

was a fulfilment of that scripture which says if one of the members suffer, the whole body suffers; for without any solicitation the North American brethren expressed their sympathy in giving their financial support. Through the generosity of the North American Division and the Northern Union Conferences, we were able to buy this splendid tent and camp-meeting outfit, which I believe will serve Mississippi for some years to come.

#### THE JACKSON CHURCH BUILDING

At our conference meeting held July 28, 1914, it was felt that the third angel's message should be better represented in the city of Jackson. Accordingly, it was voted to erect a church and office building combined in this city. As an expression of support for immediate action, the sum of \$1,300 was raised in cash and pledges. At the time of our last conference meeting, we had the building erected, but much was still unfinished. We still needed pews for the seating, the carpet, an instrument for music, blackboards and desks for the schoolroom, cement walk all around the church, and a number of other smaller things which were needed for the finishing touches of the building.

There came a time last fall when we reached the extreme limit in raising funds. The pews were to cost \$450, and by many solicitations we had raised \$50 toward this fund. Finally a letter was received from a person not of our conference in answer to one of these appeals, enclosing a check for \$400 for the seating of the church. This brought exceeding great joy to those who carried the burden of this work. Through tireless persistence, we furnished the schoolroom with modern equipment, and conducted a good school for nine months, had the cement walk put all around the church, placed the carpet in the church, and all that is yet lacking is an instrument. The piano now in use is being lent to the church.

This church was built under most unfavorable conditions; but nothing is impossible with God, for it was he who planted this memorial. Our Sunday-night meetings have a wholesome effect upon the city. Among the hearers have been doctors, ministers, senators, representatives, and other prominent persons of the city.

Should we not rebuild a parsonage with the money received from the burning of the building at 932 Union St., we would have sufficient money to pay off all indebtedness of the association. However, I would not encourage the removing of every obligation from the Jackson church. I would rather distribute what money we have and erect memorials elsewhere in the State. Meridian should have a nice, commodious church building, and I have every confidence that God will send some one who will not rest until he sees a church established there.

#### THE OOLTEWAH SCHOOL

This is to be the Southern Training School, which for years was located at Graysville. After much study and counsel in both the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences, it has been decided to move the Southern Training School from Graysville, Tenn., to Ooltewah, Tenn. The spirit of prophecy has spoken very plainly concerning the location of our training schools. Great emphasis has been placed on locating our schools on farms away from the cities.

The advantages of this new location are in harmony with the instruction God has given this people. Those who carry the heaviest burden in establishing this new enterprise are very anxious to make it after the ideal mapped out by the spirit of prophecy. It is hoped to have industries connected with the school so that those who are not able to pay their way may have opportunity to work their way through the school.

It has long been felt by many that the South is in great need of a better educational center where our young people can finish their education. Some of our students are now in northern schools simply because they can offer better inducements than we could offer. We desire to make our new school so attractive and up-to-date in every way, that our young people will have an opportunity to get a full, complete, and thorough education. I am sure this sounds good to those who have children to educate.

However, with every great enterprise, there must needs be a financial obligation. This cannot be avoided in the establishing of this new school. Nevertheless, the Southern and the Southeastern Unions have both made vows that we will not go in debt. It has been voted to launch this school free from debt, and further that the debt that had been resting on the Graysville School shall be paid before we enter upon this new school proposition. We are glad to say that the \$14,000 debt of the Graysville Academy has been liquidated. We also have the sum of \$5,000 toward the payment of the farm, but before we can make another move, and before we can open school, we must raise the sum of \$10,000. This amount, with the cash now in hand, will buy the farm, move the school from Graysville, and meet the necessary expense in arranging the buildings now on the farm to begin operations for the school work.

Here is a call that should touch every heart-string in the Mississippi Conference. There will be opportunity given for us to respond in a substantial way toward this necessary project and educational center for the southern field. "Many hands make light work," and the raising of \$10,000 in five weeks is not an impossibility when all take an interest and help.

In closing, I wish to express to you as believers of the Mississippi Conference my heart-felt appreciation for your excellent cooperation, your kind hospitality, and your good will all through my stay with you as president of your conference. I thank you most heartily for your faithfulness and loyalty and support on all questions, small and great. My wish for you is continued success and prosperity, and above all activity and faithfulness in the service of the Lord, that you may receive the reward of the saints. C. S. WIEST.

#### The Colporteur Work

It seems only a short time since our last camp-meeting season. I have been in this State ten months, but this time has seemed very short to me. As we reflect over the past, we each ask the question, Has my life been just what Christ would be pleased with? Have we, as a people, been true to the work God has called us to do?

We have committed to us the most important work ever given to man. We are to pray that men may be reconciled to God. If we get the burden for souls upon our hearts that Christ carried when he was upon earth, there will be a turning from sin and seeking after God in a special manner, such as we have never yet witnessed.

The year 1914 was a very hard year for our colporteurs in this State, as every one knows, on account of the beginning of the European war. Cotton went down to nothing. Many of the farmers could not sell their cotton at any price. This made it hard for our workers to deliver their books. Many of them gave up the work.

So we began the year 1915 with just five colporteurs. I will give you their first week's work — Agents 5, hours 124, orders 30, value \$95, helps \$2.90, total \$97.90, delivered \$134.25. So you see this was a small beginning for this State. But to this faithful number there were added a few more who proved loyal to God.

I want to give the record of one of the faithful workers. This colporteur put in 1,011 hours last year and delivered a little over \$1,000 worth of books. So you can see that he made nearly \$1 per hour in deliveries, or a profit for himself of \$500.

Now this is not all we are to look at. The money side is only part of it. How many souls do you suppose this colporteur warned? We will figure on the basis of a \$3 book, as he was working for "Bible Readings." You see he would have had to deliver 334 books to make the amount. Now that means 334 homes that have "Bible Readings" in them. The book "Bible Readings" contains 200 readings. So we will multiply 334 by 200. That means 66,800 sermons. Now, dear brethren, you see this is more sermons than any one of our ministers could preach in a year. Any one of our ministers would have had to preach 180 sermons a day to have done this much work.

There is a statement in the Testimonies which says, "There is no greater work than that of the Christian colporteur." I believe all our people are agreed upon this statement.

In the year 1915 we delivered 6,173.10 worth of books. I am certainly glad that we could do this. You must remember that this work was done under quite hard times. The European war was going on, and people's minds were in an unsettled condition. I want to give God all the praise for this good work that has been done.

We started our work in 1916 by having a good colporteurs institute at Jackson for the white workers. At this institute we had ten colporteurs in attendance. Most of them have remained faithful to the work. Up to the present we have taken \$16,527.70 in orders, and delivered \$1,015.40. Now, dear brethren, I think we should praise God for his wonderful care and protection over us. How he has blessed us in taking orders and in our deliveries! Some of our colporteurs have had ninety per cent deliveries.

One colporteur delivered every book but one in a small town. I would like to give the record here of one of our workers in taking orders:

Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total
45	54	\$ 183 00	\$ 7 <b>7</b> 0	\$ 190 70
<b>46</b>	44	139 00	3 00	142 00
42	41	134 00	60	134 60
42	36	114 00	1 80	115 80
42	33	106 00	2 40	108 40
42	40	$143 \ 00$	2  40	$145 \ 40$
44	38	$122 \ 00$	3  15	125  15
39	48	148 00		148 00
49	<b>43</b>	$135 \ 00$	• 70	135 70
<b>46</b>	38	121 00		121 00
34	36	112 00	3 75	$115 \ 75$
44	44	128 00	3 45	$131 \ 45$
42	45	$154 \ 00$	35	$154 \ 35$
44	49	153 00	2 50	155 50
35	37	131 00	1  65	$132 \ 65$
17	15	$54 \ 00$		$54 \ 00$
<b>45</b> /	49	169,00	60	169 60
50	54	175 00	95	175 95
46	57	160 00	95	160'95

I merely mention this to show what can be done. If I were to give the report of every colporteur for this year, I do not believe any one would be ashamed of his work. We have certainly had some excellent work done.

The first six months of 1915 we have taken orders to the amount of \$12,524.75. The first six months of 1916 the orders amounted to \$16,527.70, or a gain of \$4,002.95. I am certainly glad that we can make this good report, but I do not want to take any of the glory to myself. The men out in the field have been faithful and loyal to the work; they have endured many hardships to make this report possible. But we want to attribute our success to God. The angels went with us in this work. It was the presence of Jesus by our side. It was the Holy Spirit that impressed hearts, which makes this good report possible. I would like to have you notice how our reports run each month:

Month	191	5 1	916	Gain
January	\$ 168 0	5 \$ 214	25	<b>\$ 46 20</b>
February	466 3	0 1416	15	949 85
March	1597 2	0 2879	40	$1282\ 20$
April	3757 8	<b>60 4713</b>	05	$955 \ 25$
May	3208 2	0 4343	65	$1135 \ 45$
June	3481 9	5 3656	30	$174 \ 35$
 Totals	\$12679 5	50 \$17222	80	\$4543 30

#### An Interesting Experience

Mrs. Kelly, who has been securing many subscriptions for our good magazines throughout the State, writes of a very interesting experience which she has just had.

She arrived in a little town on Sunday, July 2, and Monday she went to a near-by mill which was owned by a Mr. Beghold. She stated that in all her travels she was never treated more kindly by any one. She writes, "He took me out to his logging camp on his train road and then to his mill and then to his farm, and from fifty men working for him he helped me get thirty-five yearly subscriptions."

I am sure that Sister Kelly appreciated the kindness shown her by this man. We are also glad that through his goodness many of our good magazines have been placed in the hands of people who otherwise would not have received them.

In connection with this, I might say that we have recently received from Sister Kelly in one mail, 33 yearly and 3 six-months' subscriptions to *The Watchman*, 48 yearly and 4 six-months' for the *Signs Magazine* and 3 yearly for the *Signs* weekly, 1 yearly and 2 six-months' for *Life and Health*, and 2 for *Liberty*.

School	Av.Mem.	Av.Att.	12Sab	Off.	13thS	ab.	Tota	al
Biloxi	3	2	\$12		\$ 5		\$18	
Brookhaven No. 2	32	21	21	15	8	42	29	57
Cedar Creek	40	34	15	89	10	22	<b>26</b>	11
Ellisville	10	. 7	51	93	7	16	59	09
Greenwood No. 2.	16	12	9	37	<b>21</b>	69	31	06
Greenville No. 2.	<b>27</b>	16	31	71	7	99	40	70
Hatley	17	13	<b>21</b>	55	3	57	25	12
Hattiesburg	16	11	29	34	20	98	50	32
Hattiesburg No. 2	16	10	11	57	8	56	20	13
Hazlehurst No. 2.	7	6	5	10	<b>5</b>	08	10	18
Jackson	44	37	180	44	66	83	247	27
Jackson No. 2	32	14	<b>24</b>	51	9	22	33	73
Mt. Zion	6	. 6	1	80		50	<b>2</b>	30
Meridian	30	<b>24</b>	135	80	48	<b>34</b>	184	14
Meridian No. 2	21	15	8	04	5	04	13	08
Natchez	7	5	16	08	<b>2</b>	76	18	84
Natchez No. 2	7	4	6	34			6	<b>34</b>
Pine Grove	15	12	39	71			39	71
Soso No. 2	9	7		10	1	08	1	18
Vicksburg	, 11	9	16	58	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b> 8	22	06
Vicksburg No. 2.	<b>24</b>	16	21	<b>02</b>	8	11	29	13
Washington	11	10	15	66	1	43	17	09
Yazoo City No. 2.	21	18	31	98	7	10	39	08
Home Department	.74	72	55	54	79	63	135	17
Camp-meeting			61	08			61	08
Camp-meeting No. 2			19	55			19	55
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Sabbath School Report for 1915

Totals .....

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 381 \$844 59 \$334 69\$1180 28

 Mrs. FANNIE RICHARDSON, Secretary.

Because of the wicked departure of the Jews from God, he had allowed them to come under the power of a heathen nation. --"The Spirit of Prophecy," Vol. III, p. 180.

These good reports each month certainly make us feel good. We know from them that many are hearing the last message of mercy that is to be given before the coming of Jesus.

Dear brethren, I will be glad when this work is finished. We can hasten its completion by entering this glorious work. The Testimonies tell us to scatter our books and papers as the leaves of autumn. Let us be true to God and finish this work; then we can go home to stay. JOHN R. STATON.

#### The Young People's Missionary Volunteer Work

Once more the year has rolled around, bringing us to another annual gathering of God's people. In the olden times God required his people to meet three times a year. We are expecting a full attendance at this camp-meeting, especially of the young people. We have sent out nearly one hundred invitations and have not heard one discouraging word about not being able to come. Satan puts the world before our youth as a temptation, and our camp-meetings give them encouragement and an impetus to live a better life.

The missionary work done by our young people is increasing every quarter. Two years ago there were no reports coming in, and now thirty are reporting regularly, while we hear from others occasionally. This number seems small to those outside of Mississippi, but we have a small number of young people, and the majority of the older ones are either at school or out in the work.

There has been quite an interest taken in the Standard of Attainment work, and seven certificates have been issued. We hope for that many more by September.

Only one has finished the Reading Course this summer, but others are taking it. A relative is sending one young woman her books from Georgia, and she is keeping up with every part of the missionary volunteer work beside working on the farm and going to summer school.

About forty-two are reading the Bible through. There seems to be more interest in this part of the work than any other, and whole families are reading their Bibles together.

Several are canvassing for magazines during the summer and are having interesting experiences.

The following report is for the last nine months, or since the last camp-meeting.

Largest number reporting		35
Members of Attainment		7
Taking the Reading Course		3
Number of juniors		<b>24</b>
Missionary letters written		77
Letters received	,	<b>26</b>
Missionary visits		451
Bible readings held		15
Subscriptions taken		18
Number papers sold		207
Papers given away	,	655
Books sold		65
Books loaned		25
Tracts given away		497
Hours of Christian help work		- 656
Articles of clothing given away		90
Meals provided		65
Offerings for foreign missions	\$	$12 \ 35$
Offerings for home missions	\$	6 85
	~	

IVY C. BURKE, Y. P. M. V. Secretary.

As in the fire the yellow gold is tried, so friendship's faith can but be proved in time of dark adversity.— Ovid.

#### Tract Society Balance Sheet, Jan. 1, 1916

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	Resources		
Cash	<b>\$ 71 86</b>		
Accounts Receivable:			
Personal\$2175 41			
Less Reserve 141 89	2033 52		
Abeyance Account	1 03		
Total Cash & Accounts Inventories:		\$2106 41	
B'ks on Hnd 1013 00			
Furn. & Fix. 311 37			
Total Inventories		1324 37	
Total Resources			\$3430 78
	LIABILITIES		
Notes Payable	\$500 00		•
Unpaid Sustentation	49 98		
Pacific Press Pub. Asso	36 63		
Review & Herald	31 62		
Mississippi Conference	3 70		-
Miss. Conf. Association	$15 \ 73$		
Personal Acc. Payable.	44 24	•	
Total Liabilities		\$ 681 90	
	SURPLUS		
Surplus Jan. 1, 1915	<b>\$2889 07</b>		
Net Loss 1915	140 19		
– Surplus Jan. 1, 1916.	,	2748 88	
			\$3430 78

#### Tract Society Revenue Statement for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1915

	Expense					
Lost Accounts		\$ 258	94			
Expense Account		158	<b>72</b>			
Postage		99	52			
Sustentation		49	98		÷	
Freight and Drayage		60	39			
Depreciation Furniture		102	48			
Colporteurs' Institute.		. 104	29			
Colp. Trans. Account.		21	72			
Total Expense	_	·		\$	856	04
	INCOME					
Sale of Merchandise		\$6004	43			
Inventory Dec. 31,1914	\$1354 60					
Stock Returned	1006 90					
New Stock Purchased	3946 08					
	\$6306 58					
Less Inv. Dec. 31, 1915	1013 00					
Cost of Goods Sold		5293	58			
Gross Profit	_	\$ 710	85			
Donations		5	00			
Total Gains	-	<b>\$ 7</b> 15	85	•		
Net Loss for Year		140				
				\$	856	04

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I have finished an audit of the books of the Mississippi Tract Society in connection with the proper vouchers and correspondence on file. The accompanying revenue statement and balance sheet give the correct showing for this department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1915.

G. H. CURTIS, Auditor So. Union Conference.

Jackson, Miss., May 4, 1916.

Mission Balance Sheet, Resources	Jan. 1,	1916	<b>5</b>	
Mississippi Conf. Association	\$ 230	52		
Bills Receivable	202	00		
Personal Accounts Receivable	12	21		
General Trust Funds (Overpaid)	1	15		
Cash and Bank	8	91	,	
Total Resources	- <u>Part I</u>		\$ 454	79
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable Laborers	\$ 72	46 ·		
S. E. Wight	75	00		
Mississippi Conference	192	61		
Abeyance		15		
Total Liabilities	\$ 340	22		
SURPLUS				
Surplus Jan. 1, 1915 \$373 39				
Net Loss for the year 258 82				
Surplus Jan. 1, 1916	\$ 114	57		
			\$ 454	79
Mission Revenue Statement	for Y	ear	Ending	!

# Dec. 31, 1915

EXPENSE

Salary and Expense	\$2910	29		
Tent and Hall Expense	191	56		
General Expense	31	83		
Administrative Expense	346	56		
Tents Purchased	48	25		
Tithe to Union Conference	129	04		
Sustentation	77	29	•	
5% to Missions	64	42		
- Total Expense		 	\$3799	24
INCOME				
Appropriations (Regular)	\$1600	00		
Appropriations (Special)	575	00		
Net Gain Jackson Camp-meeting		30		
Donations	70	91		
Tithe	1291	61		
Tuition	- 2	60		
- Total Income	\$3540	42		
Expense Exceeds Income	<sup>"</sup> 258	82		
		•	\$3799	24

To whom it may concern:

Jackson, Miss., May 3, 1916.

This is to certify that I have made an examination of the vouchers and receipts of the Mississippi Mission for the year 1915, and can state that the attached statement is the correct showing of the books as of Dec. 31, 1915. Respectfully submitted,

G. H. CURTIS, Auditor So. Union Conference.

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#### Statement of Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund for First Six Months of 1916

Amount to be raised by conference and mission\$3122 60						
	Coi	NFERENCE				
Church	Tithe	Miss. Rate per wk.				
Cedar Creek	<b>\$26 08</b>	$979$ , $01\frac{1}{2}$				
<b>Conference Church</b>	$214 \ 15$	$94 \ 42 \ .15$				
Ellisville	$18 \ 03$	21 76 .051/2				
Hattiesburg Co	$13 \ 35$	8 80				
Hatley	106 00	12 00 .013/4				
Jackson	$429 \ 61$	126 17 .111/2				
Meridian	200 96	118 66 .181/2				
Pine Grove	$45 \ 39$	26 91 .13				
Vicksburg	$53 \ 30$	6 39 .04				
Stampley Co		18 77				
Individuals	48 02	17 05				

Totals .....\$1154 89

\$460 72

		I	<b>MISSION</b>			
Brookhaven	\$61	60	<b>\$22 01</b>	.04		
Columbus	8	00	4 90	.06		
Ellisville			$17\ 25$	$.05\frac{1}{2}$		
Greenville	68	45	$22 \ 46$	.03¼		
Hattiesburg	62	71	$25 \ 25$	.08		
Jackson	100	92	$21 \ 52$	$.02\frac{1}{2}$		
Meridian	39	47	$17 \ 75$	.053/4		
Natchez	<b>21</b>	66	5 51	. 01 1/4		
Yazoo City	31	71	19  35	$.03\frac{1}{2}$		
Mission	69	15	$14 \ 15$	. 04		
Individuals	35	36	$20 \ 31$			
Hazlehurst Co	12	16	4 40			
Greenwood Co			16 85			
Totals	\$533	23			222	32
Total from con	ferenc	e at	nd mission		•	••••

Amount yet to be raised .....\$2439 56

The above statement reveals some very interesting facts. First, it shows that no church has raised its full quota for missions for the first half of the year.

Second, it shows that for the next six months we must raise almost four times as much as we have raised for the first six months. Now, this may look impossible to some, but when we stop to think of the many opportunities that we have to raise this money, I believe that it can be done. We have the midsummer offering which should be taken July 29, and the annual offering later in the year, and also the Harvest Ingathering campaign in the fall. . .. .

I hope that our people throughout the State will take hold of this campaign this year in a way that will be pleasing to the Lord. We have already received a sample of the cover for the paper that is to be used this year. If the rest of the paper is as good as the cover-and no doubt it will be-we certainly ought to do a good work with it. Let every lover of this closing message put his hand to the wheel and not stop until Mississippi has raised its quota for missions for 1916.

BEN C. MARSHALL.

\$683 04

"'Twixt failure and success, the point's so fine, Men know not sometimes, when they touch the line. Just when the pearl was waiting one more plunge, How many a struggler has thrown up the sponge?

There is no failure save in giving up; There is no defeat save from within. Unless you're beaten there, you're bound to win." Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Conference Association of S. D. A., Elder C. S. Wiest, President:

#### Having made a careful examination of all vouchers and records of the Mississippi Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists (a corporation) for the year 1915, I can certify that the attached statement of the association is a correct statement of the books of the said association as of Dec. 31, 1915.

Yours truly.

G. H. CURTIS, Auditor So. Union Conference. Jackson, Miss., May 3, 1916.

#### Conference Association Revenue Statement for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1915

	I	NCOI	аĘ		
Rent of Union St. Property	y and	1 Ofi	ices		\$ 375 00
	Еx	PEN	SES		
Interest	\$	99	00		
Expense Account		73	<b>54</b>		
Repairs		16	70		
Insurance		53	70		
Depreciation		57	34		
— Total Expense Income in Excess of				\$ 300 28	
Expense				74 72	
					<b>\$ 375 00</b> ′

#### Conference Association Balance Sheet for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1915

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	RESOURCES				
Cash on Hand		\$ 633	55		
Union St. Building	\$2017 61				
Less Depreciation	114 68	1902	93		
Land	·	750	00		
Ellisville Property		251	52		
Notes Receivable		186	55		
Unexpired Insurance			00		
Mississippi Conference		38	81		
Miss. Tract Society		15	73		
Jackson Ch. Building &					
Equipment to Date.	8432 35				
Donations \$4852 13					
N.A.Div.Conf 2000 00	$6852\ 13$				
Balance Due on Church		1580	22		
Total Resources	_			\$5379	31
	LIABILITIES				
Notes Payable	,	\$3510	00		
American Seating Co		437	95		
Pine Grove Property		266	55		
Mississippi Mission		230	52		
Accrued Interest		73	20		
Laurel Church Fund		21	10		
Total Liabilities	~	\$4539	32		
Surplus Jan. 1, 1915 Net Gain	\$     765 27     74 72			·	
– Surplus Jan. 1, 1916.		839	99.		
	*			\$5379	31

\$5379 31

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### Revenue Statement for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1915

Ілсоме		-6			2.0
Tithe			\$3112	79	
Appropriations			3075		
Regular Appropriations\$	2475	00		00	
North American Division Special					
Southern Union Conference Special.	100				
Donations			332	76	
Lab. Collections\$	17	76			۰.
Mrs. J. N. McLeod	250				
Mrs. McColrey		00			
	00	00			
Negro 10% Account			346	56	
Total Income				\$6	6867
Expense					
Administrative			\$5629	93	
Salary and Expense\$	5334			00	
Office Expense	154				
General Expense	106			• •	
Tent and Hall Expense		61			
General			654	23	
Tithe to Southern Union Conference.\$	311	55		20	
Sustentation Fund					
5% to Missions	155	-			
	100	10	1		
Miscellaneous			- 189	99	
Loss on Jackson Camp-meeting\$	77	02		04	
S.U.Worker cost at \$9.65 \$115 80	11	02			,
Receipts					
Receipts					
	112	20			
	112	au			
- Total Expense		<u></u>	\$6473	48	
Income Exceeds Expense	· •		20±13 393	-	
income facecus gapense				60	
					6867
				4	

#### Conference Association Balance Sheet, Six Months Ending July 1, 1916

Resour	RCES	
Cash on Hand	\$2207	80
Jackson Ch. Building &		•
Equipment to Date . \$8669	92	
Donations \$5208 53		
N.A.Div.Conf 2000 00 7208	53	
Balance Due on Church	1461	69
Bills Receivable	1410	00
	·	<del></del>
Total Resources		\$5079
LIABILI	TIES	
Notes Payable	\$2650	00
JacksonCol.Ch.Bldg.Fd.	807	93
Susp'nse(Ellisville Prop.)	298	48
Educational Fund	<b>80</b> .	00
Laurel Church Fund	21	10
Accrued Interest	73	20
Total Liabilities	. \$3930	71

Conference Balance Sheet,	Jan. 1, 19	16
LIABILITIES		
Notes Payable	\$ 800 00	
Jackson City Work Fund	31 08	
Educational Fund	27 00	
Religious Liberty	24 29	
Canvassers' Fund	22 88	× +
Young People's Tent	<b>22.00</b> .	-
Mississippi Conf. Association	38 81	• •
Aged and Orphans	5 53	
Total Liabilities		<b>\$</b> 971 59
Resources	, ,	
Mississippi Mission	\$ 192 61	
Tent Fund Account	21 35	•
Personal Accounts Receivable	903	
Cash	188 58	
Total Resources	\$ 411 57	
Surplus Accoun	1 <b>T</b>	-
Deficit Jan. 1, 1915 \$953 65		
Net Income 393 63		
Deficit Jan. 1, 1916	560_02.	
		<b>\$ 971 59</b>

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I have verified all incoming remittances of funds, vouchers for disbursements, and cash on hand of the Mississippi Conference for the year 1915, and find all funds correctly entered and accounted for.

The attached statement is the correct showing of the conference for the year ending Dec. 31, 1915.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. CURTIS, Auditor So. Union Conference. Jackson, Miss., May 4, 1916.

x	Surplus Jan. 1, 1916 Net Gain	\$ 839 99 308 79		
		•	1148 78	
			- · ·	\$5079 49
	Conference Associa Months	Ending July	1, 1916	ent, Six
		INCOME		
	Rent Building Account	\$     119 00     347 07	•••	·• •
79 49	Total Income	· · · ·	· · · ·	<b>\$</b> 466 07

Interest Expense Account	Expense \$ 77 55 59 73	
Insurance	20 00	
Total Expense Income in Excess of Ex	pense	\$ 157 28 308 79

\$ 466 07

#### Conference Revenue Statement, July 10, 1916

Conference Rever	ive statem	ent, july 10	, 1910	Conference I
	EXPENSE			x.
Salary and Expense	\$2621 59			Aged and Orphans
General Expense	19 50		•	Bills Payable
Office Expense	115 11			Canvassers' Fund
Tent and Hall Expense	78 29			Educational Fund
5% to Missions	57 75			Jackson Fund
Southern Union Tithe.	115 48			Miss. Mission S.D.A
Sustentation	69 29			Poor Fund
So. Union Worker	48 52			So. U. Conference Acc.
				Amount Received on Te
Total Expense			\$3125 53	Donations \$1436 40
				Insurance 300 00
	INCOME			
Appropriations	\$1296 52			\$1736 40
Donations	12 55	,		Paid Out 1117 56
Negro 8% Account	154 66			
Tithe	1154 89			Total Liabilities
Total Income		\$2618 62		Bank and Cash
Net Loss		506 91		Bills Rec. (Mission),
	·		v	Rel. Lib. (Overdraft).
			\$3125 53	
				Total Resources
				Net Deficit July 10, 1
Mission Revenu	ie Statemer	it, July 10, 1	1916	
	INCOME			
Appropriations (Reg).	\$ 900 00		_	
Appropriations (Spec).	$500 \ 00$		r	Net Deficit Jan. 1, 1916
	00.00	· · · ·	· · ·	

Appropriations (Spec).	500	00			,
Donations	22	33		,	
Tithe	533	23			
Total Income					\$1
	Expen	SE			
AdministrativeExpense	<b>\$ 154</b>	66			
General Expense	60	25			
Tent and Hall Expense	39	11			
Salary and Expense	1453	47			
Sustentation	31	98			
5% to Missions	26	65			
Tithe to Union	53	31			
Total Expense			\$1819	43	
Gain for 6 mos. 1916.			136		

Miss. Mission S.D.A. 250 70 Poor Fund ..... 2 15 So. U. Conference Acc. 63 Amount Received on Tent Fund Donations ... \$1436 40 Insurance ... 300 00 \$1736 40 Paid Out .... 1117 56 618 84 Total Liabilities.... \$1734 81 RESOURCES Bank and Cash ..... \$ 520 30 Bills Rec. (Mission)... 129 00 Rel. Lib. (Overdraft). 18 58 Total Resources .... \$ 667 88 Net Deficit July 10, 1916 1066 93 \$1734 81 Net Deficit Jan. 1, 1916 \$ 560 02 Loss for First 6 mos '16 506 91 Net Deficit July 10, 1916 \$1066 93

Conference Balance Sheet, July 10, 1916 LIABILITIES

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#### **Our Greatest Need**

Much as we need money, and workers, and institutions, and other material things, we are assured by our general conference president, Elder A. G. Daniells, that our greatest need is "the abiding presence and unrestrained Spirit of God in the hearts of men." The cause of war, criminality, and all trouble is "woven into the web of human nature," he says. These thoughts are from a fine practical, spiritual article entitled, "Humanity's Greatest Need." You will find it in the August Signs Magazine. This is one of the twelve or more good reasons why you should read a copy yourself and circulate a quantity in your neighborhood.

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#### East 6: 38

Friday, July 28

West 7: 00

#### News Items

Brother James Hickman writes that the Lord blessed him and his father the past week selling the printed page and enabled them to take \$133 worth of orders in three days.

Brother E. A. Williams is spending some time with his mother who is sick near Slick Rock, Ky.

If you have not read the August Watchman, order it at once as it is full of good things.

Elder Brown has been visiting at Hopkinsville and Henderson the past week. He reports all the workers of good courage.

Elder Lawrence writes that the attendance has increased until seats are at a premium. We are glad to learn of this interest in the tent effort.

Brethren H. E. and Charles Beck were callers at the office the past week. They were ordering tents for camp-meeting.

Everything is being made ready for the camp-meeting, which will be held August 17-27. The prospects are good for a large attendance. A number have already ordered their tents and furniture. If you have not ordered your tent, do so at once.

We have just received word from Yamacraw that several people from that place will attend the camp-meeting.

Miss Flossie Callender, of Henderson, who has been sick, is now fully recovered.

Elder O. A. Dow spent a few days at the Tri City church in Covington the past week.

Elder Chatman reports the work going forward in Lexington. We believe there will be a good number added to that church this year.

Brother T. L. Bryant was a caller at the office the past week and bought some of our good books.

Miss Minnie Bickle, of Louisville, has been spending a few days with her aunt, Miss Lula Schafer. She also visited at some of the Adventist homes.

Brother J. H. Clark has been very successful in his work of selling the printed page.

Word has been received at the office telling of the death of Brother Boling's baby. We sympathize with the dear parents, and pray that God will give them courage to go forward in the book work.

Brother Allen, of Louisville, writes that he has visited some of the believers in the country and they are planning to attend camp-meeting.

The churches who desire church schools this year should secure teachers at once. Elder Brown will assist you if you will let him know your needs.

Elder White reports some interest in the meeting at Henderson, but the attendance is small.

Only a few weeks are left before the camp-meeting. We are expecting you to attend. Do not permit anything to prevent you from being present.

Brethren Schroader and Pierce write that they are of good courage and will soon begin their final delivery in Pike County.

Elder Chas. E. Allen has located his family in Louisville, and will now take up progressive work in that city. We feel sure that Elder Allen is the right man in the right place, and that the Louisville church will prosper under his watchcare.

Don't forget that camp-meeting time is creeping on us. Begin now to arrange for the trip and let nothing keep you away. We have secured a beautiful and very desirable location, with plenty of shade and water. Come, bring your Bible and bide the time with us, and let's reason together.

Miss Clara Spire has completed the Standard of Attainment examination and writes these encouraging words, "I never enjoyed studying anything in my life as much as I enjoyed Denominational History."

Brethren Wagner and Lindsey report thrilling experiences in their work at Hopkinsville. I am sure if all the workers on the "firing line" could have some of the good experiences that Brother Lindsey reports he is having, their faces would grow horizontally and lose their extreme length. Following is an extract from Brother Lindsey's letter:

"Last Monday evening I made what I had supposed to be arrangements for staying overnight with a certain farmer, but when his wife came home from town about 6: 30 I found it impossible to remain there, so had to start out and find another place of abode. It was about a mile and a half to the next house, and it began to rain and get dark. I had no umbrella, but went on expecting to find some place where I could be of more blessing to the people. The Lord surely wanted me to make this trip to lodge elsewhere. The man of the house where I stopped was about fifty years of age, a deep thinker, and a man who was well informed when it came to history. After canvassing him thoroughly for 'Daniel and the Revelation' he asked me squarely, 'What denomination do you belong to?' I answered him frankly, and he began asking questions, saving he had never heard of Adventists, except of a doctor in Tennessee. He asked many questions in regard to vital truths, and it was nearly midnight when we retired. He became so enthusiastic that he would exclaim now and then during our conversation, 'Could there be a purer religion than yours? How could anything be better than what you are telling me of? Why, I thought the Jews had the purest religion, but I believe you have the truth!' "

Elder Winston reports the beginning of his tent effort in Owensboro. Our wish is that the Lord will richly bless his efforts there.

Any information you desire in connection with the campmeeting will be gladly given by Brother E. A. Williams, our secretary, 1122 Park St., Bowling Green, Ky.

# Alabama Conference

East 6: 36

Friday, July 28

West 7:00

#### Important Notice to Missionary Volunteers

Just a word with reference to-our camp-meeting which will be held in Montgomery, August 10-20. At that time we hope to see all our young people present who can possibly attend. You are no doubt making your plans to come. Now, do not let anything hinder you in carrying out these plans.

The new tent which has been purchased especially for our missionary volunteers will be a pleasant and profitable place to spend some of your time. A part of it will be made into a reading room. Then, too, we expect to have a tent well fitted up for our meetings. We shall do all that we can to make the ten days spent together a help to you individually. You cannot afford to miss this feast.

Prof. L. H. Wood from the union will be present to help us. We also have the promise of some one from the general conference. We will be able to announce who this will be a little later.

Now if we will come together for these few days with a prayerful, earnest spirit to seek our Creator, it will prove a blessing to each one, and we shall be better fitted for service for the Master. Let us begin now to pray for the success of these meetings, and God will not disappoint us. *Come, and bring some one with* you. J. F. WRIGHT, *Missionary Volunteer Secretary*.

# Tennessee River Conference

East 6: 32

West 7: 15

#### News Items

Friday, July 28

On Friday morning, July 7, we received news that a storm had struck Jackson and the gospel tent which had been pitched by Brethren Randall Johnson and H. E. Alston was wrecked so that it will be impossible to make any further use of it. We are sorry that the damage has resulted. Plans were made to continue the effort there under another tent which we were fortunate in securing from Memphis. The brethren write that they are not discouraged but pressing onward. Brother Johnson writes that some of the best people of the city are assisting them to make the meeting a success, and that the editor of the Jackson Sun had called on him to write for the daily paper.

Word has been received from Elder D. P. Wood that he will reach Nashville August 3, and will be in attendance at the campmeeting. We are glad that he can meet the brethren and sisters in the conference.

Brother Sydney Scott writes that his meetings in Memphis are well attended, and that considerable interest has been aroused in the subjects presented.

Elder Elliott has returned from Big Sandy, and reports some good meetings with the people. The Methodist churches have started a revival meeting to counteract our influence.

Brother Wheeler will leave Nashville in a few days on a trip to the western part of the State, and will visit most of the colporteurs before camp-meeting.

Mrs. Blanche Alexander Longworth, a member of the Nashville church, passed away Thurdsay, July 6, after a short illness. The funeral services were conducted by Elder Denslow. Her mother, father, husband, and sister survive her.

The tract society office has been a busy place the past week, as several heavy shipments have been made to the colporteurs. Miss Clyde Callicott, formerly stenographer in the conference office, has reached Loma Linda, Cal., and reports having had a very enjoyable trip through Colorado.

Some of the churches have not sent in the list of delegates to camp-meeting yet. These should reach us soon.

Elder C. F. Lowry has visited relatives in Jefferson and Keene, Tex. He will sail for India about August 7.

#### Important Notice

All those desiring tents and cots should place their order at once. Tents will cost \$3.50 for 12x14 size and \$4 for 14x16. Cots can be rented for 50 cents each, and mattresses 50 cents. Address Tennessee River Conference, 2014 23rd Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn.

#### Big Sandy

On account of it being necessary for Elder Elliott to spend a few days in Nashville completing arrangements for our campmeeting, I was called to Big Sandy, where Elder Elliott and Brother Pound have been conducting a tent effort. I find it a pleasure to assist in the tent meetings in his absence. We are having good meetings here at Big Sandy. Quite an interest is shown in the truths presented, and we hope that some will obey. We need the prayers of our brethren and sisters in all the churches for this meeting and the other tent meetings now going on. Much time and money is being spent to carry on these efforts, and our people throughout the conference should pray that much may be accomplished. Prayer gives success, and this is a part that every member of the conference may have in the meetings. Will you not help us and do it every night? Some one is hearing the truth and will decide for or against it. Pray! Pray for souls. JAMES BELLINGER.

Jackson, Tenn.

# Louisiana Conference East 6: 53 Friday, July 28 West 7: 20

#### News Items

The following are the names of those who at the close of the second quarter could repeat the memory verses for the quarter:

, Sug	ARTOWN
Lena Johnson	Lela Johnson
Willis Johnson	Jewel Johnson
Louise Harzman	Willie May Bush
New	Orleans
Dorothy Ulmer	Howard Thomas
Ruth Dinsmore	Jerald Wilson
John Speyer	John Jenson
Willie Speyer	Harold Mangin
Sanford	Illmer

Last week Dr. J. G. Smalley sailed from New Orleans for his new field of labor in Central America.

Encouraging reports continue to come from the tent effort for the colored people in Shreveport. The meetings are being well attended.

Elder C. G. Manns is now getting well settled in New Orleans and acquainted with the field. We look for a good work to be accomplished by him, evidences of which are already appearing.

Sister J. P. Campbell called at the office last week to complete arrangements for entering the colporteur work. She took with her a small supply of "The Other Side of Death" to use as a help; but the next day, before going to her field of labor, she returned to the office to place an order for more, as she had already sold those.

#### Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending July 15, 1916

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending July 15, 1916										
ALABAMA CONFERENCE										
		Ords	Al		Hel		Tota #CO		Deli	۷.
U Bracy*BF	54 42	42	\$56				\$60		\$	00
Robert J Cook .BF	43	22		50		80		30	1	00
H L Edwards. BR	33	5		00				00	•	00
J E Foley BR	4	1		00		00		00	-	00
Carl Holland*BR	61	30	97	00	) D	90	102	90	_3	00
Clara Miller		10	~ 4	ò			~ .	00		25
Luther Miller BR	32	16		00		~~		00		
RMMcAllister .BR	3	1	-	00		25	-	25		• '
Q TewBR	44	9	. 28			10	-	00		-0
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#### Union Conference Directory

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#### **Camp-Meeting Dates**

Mississippi, Meridian	July 27-Aug. 6
Tennessee River, Nashville	.Aug. 3-13
Alabama, Montgomery	. Aug. 10-20
Kentucky, Bowling Green	. Aug. 17-27
Mississippi (Colored), Hattiesburg	. Aug. 24-Sept. 3
Alabama (Colored), Montgomery	Aug. 24-Sept. 3
Rural School Institute, Madison, Tenn	Aug. 31-Sept. 4

#### News Items

Prof. Lynn H. Wood left Nashville Wednesday, July 19, in company with Elder B. W. Brown for Alexandria, La., to attend the camp-meeting there.

We have just received word from Elder I. H. Evans that Prof. Frederick Griggs will attend the camp-meetings in this union with Elder Chas. Thompson, inasmuch as Elder Wight will not be able to attend. If Professor Griggs cannot stay long enough to attend all the meetings, Professor Kern will take his place. We are very much pleased to know we are to have this excellent help at our meetings, and are looking forward to the best meetings we have ever had.

#### Kentucky Conference

The ninth annual session of the Kentucky Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the general camp-meeting at Bowling Green, Ky., August 17-27, 1916, for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before the conference.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for the church and one delegate for each ten members. It is hoped that a full delegation will be present.

A nice ground has been secured for the meeting. On arriving at the station, take a car going up-town and ride to the end of the car-line, where you will see the camp.

The first session of the conference will be held at 10 A. M., Friday, August 18, 1916.

B. W. BROWN, President,

E. A. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

#### Hazel Academy

We are pleased to notify our young people that the Hazel Academy calendar for 1916-1917 is ready for mailing. Please send names and addresses of any who may wish one to the Hazel Academy, Hazel, Ky.

The farm work is well along, and we can assure the school home family for the coming year of a goodly supply of vegetables for winter use.

Mr. Earl Strawhun has just returned from a visit with his parents in Memphis. We are glad to have Earl with us again.

Miss Borg and her brother, Levi, have again joined the school family after a pleasant family reunion in northern Wisconsin. • Mrs. Clark is spending the summer with her parents in Sawyer, Wis. She plans to be home the last of August.

Cheering letters come from two of our students in the canvassing field. Mr. Willie McEachern and Mr. Drue Bowen plan, through the help of the canvassing work, to again be of our number in the fall.

A letter from Miss Claire Davis tells of the pleasantly passing summer, and of her plans for next year. It also contains two dollars donated by some friend of the pure water movement. Let us not forget the well.

#### NOTICE

No paper will be issued next week. The date of our next WORKER will be August 10.

# The Men Behind the Books

#### THE JUNE SUMMARIES

Since our last chat "with the men behind the books," the June canvassing summaries have been received from the three unions comprising the territory of the Southern Publishing Association. Believing our workers will be glad to learn these totals in advance of their publication in the *Review*, we take pleasure in giving them as follows:

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These are indeed encouraging reports, and will be especially appreciated by those who have made them possible.

#### PUBLISHING HOUSE NOTES

A carload order was received last week from our Western Branch, the larger part of which calls for "Bible Readings," "Daniel and Revelation," and "Practical Guide." There will be more than one hundred cases in the car.

The work on the addition to our bindery is progressing nicely, and will soon be completed. This will give much needed room, and will also materially increase the efficiency and production of that department.

Believing the employees in our institutions, as well as our people in general, should have the privilege of attending campmeeting whenever possible, the Board of the Southern Publishing Association voted to close down the plant during the week of August 6-12 to enable our workers to attend the camp-meeting of the Tennessee River Conference, which is to be held this year in Nashville. However, any rush orders received that week will be given prompt attention, although it is hoped that, as far as possible, our field workers will anticipate their needs for that week by sending in their orders in advance. If this is done, it will enable practically all our employees to receive the full benefits of this meeting. R. L. PIERCE.