

# SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

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

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## "And They Came, as Many as Were Willing-Hearted"

This is the record of the children of Israel when Moses called on them for offerings with which to build the tabernacle. Bracelets, earrings, rings, tablets, offerings of gold, silver, brass, blue, purple, scarlet, fine linen, goat's hair, ram's skin, badger's skin, wood, spices, and precious stones were brought in in such great abundance that "Moses commanded and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary."

How the work sped forward when all took hold with willing hands! We have seen the enthusiastic response duplicated in a measure this summer, and hearts have been made greatly to rejoice as we have seen the generosity of God's people here in the South when called upon for an offering to the new school enterprise.

At one of the camp-meetings a brother arose and said, "I have an assortment of old coins in a box in my trunk. I feel that this enterprise would be more profited by turning in these coins than to have them lie there in the trunk. You can have all you can get for them to apply on this fund." In another meeting a sister said, "I have a valuable violin that has been in the family for years. The stamp shows it to be more than one hundred years old. If you can sell it I would be glad to turn the money toward this worthy enterprise." Another sister said, "I have a number of old rings, some quite valuable, that have

been lying in the bottom of a chest for a long time. I have no use for them now, and if you can dispose of them I will give the proceeds to the new school." A young man said, I have a valuable mandolin worth \$50. I have been so busy of late years I have not had time to play it. If I can get \$25 for it I will turn it toward the Ooltewah School fund." Another had a French horn, another a camera, and so they kept coming one after another.

As I saw these people rising and giving these articles that they once thought they needed but now feel can be of greater

value in the work, I called to mind the statement in Volume II of the Testimonies, page 594, where, in speaking of the narrow road over which the Advent people were traveling, Sister White said, "As we journeyed on, the road grew narrower and steeper. In some places it seemed so very narrow that we concluded we

could no longer travel with the loaded wagons. We then loosed them from the horses, took a portion of the baggage from the wagons and placed it upon the horses, and journeyed on horseback.

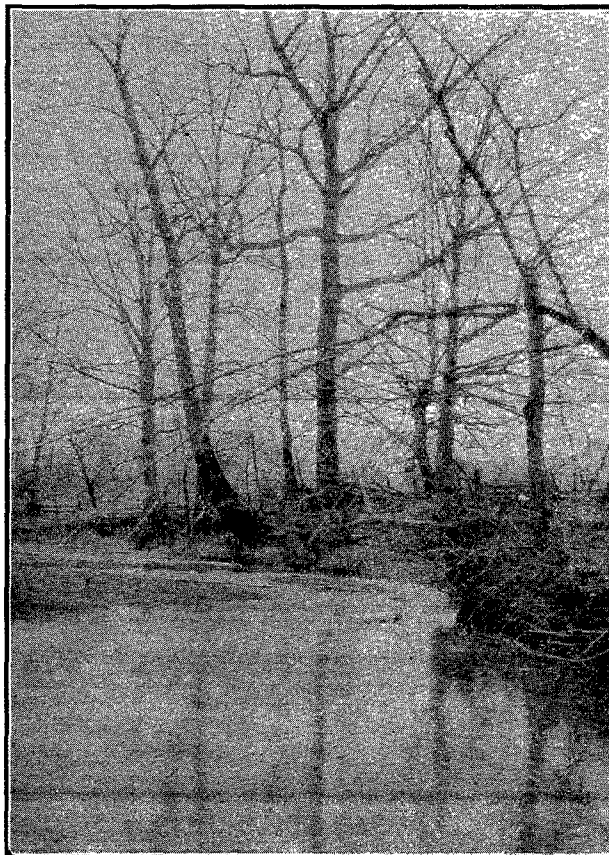
"As we progressed, the path still continued to grow narrower. We were obliged to press close to the wall to save ourselves from falling off the narrow road down the steep precipice. As we did this, the luggage on the horses pressed against the wall and caused us to sway toward the precipice. We feared that we should fall, and be dashed to pieces on the rocks. We then cut the luggage from the horses, and it fell over the precipice. We continued on horseback, greatly fearing, as we came to the narrower places in the road, that we should lose our balance and fall. At such times a hand seemed to take the bridle and guide us over the perilous way.

"As the path grew more narrow, we decided that we could no longer go with safety on horseback, and we left the horses and went on foot, in single file, the one following in the footsteps of another."

Surely this seems a fulfilment of this dream. There are lots

of things around our homes that we considered of value in days gone by and that are still worth a great deal to some people. Why can we not dispose of these now while we can get something for them and put the proceeds into the new school? We have a contract with a jeweler of repute who will give us quite liberal prices on all jewelry we turn in. If all having such articles will send them to us we will be glad to get the best prices possible for them and credit the amount toward this important undertaking.

These are perilous days in which we are living. We know not



A creek scene on the Southern Training School farm. How is this for natural beauty? This pretty stream forms the boundary line on one side of the farm, and is fed by mountain springs.

what twenty-four hours will bring forth. We are now facing one of the greatest commercial crises in the history of this country in the threatened railroad strike. Our powers of government seem futile to resist the hand that would bring this crisis upon us. God's work will soon be finished, and then we will not need these things. Surely I am constrained to believe in these days even as in the days of Moses the people will sacrifice for the education and training of our young people. What do you have that will help? Act now, and send it as soon as possible to G. H. Curtis, 2014 23rd Avenue North, Nashville, Tenn.

LYNN H. WOOD.

### Pledges Made to the Southern Training School

BORDEN SPRINGS CHURCH		BIRMINGHAM COLORED CHURCH	
A. W. Walton .....	\$ 1 00	J. J. Pearson .....	\$ 3 00
Thos. Lorren .....	1 00	Brother Sims .....	3 00
N. A. Reiber .....	1 00	Brother Jackson ...	1 00
Mrs. Wm. Lorren ..	1 00	Sister Ingram .....	1 00
Mrs. E. J. Miller ...	1 00	Brother Allen .....	2 00
Paul Jones .....	1 00	Brother Peevy .....	1 00
Stella Miller .....	50	Sister Ward .....	1 00
Miss Lorren .....	50	Brother Wm. Housh ..	1 00
Miss Rainwater ....	50	Brother Ingram ....	1 00
Elberta Reiber .....	50	Brother Billingsby ..	3 75
Alma Miller .....	50	Caldwell Jackson ...	50
Mrs. Edna Lorren ..	50	Sister Jackson .....	50
Bert Miller .....	25	W. Strickland .....	50
Mrs. Reiber .....	50	Maude Allen .....	50
Lorren .....	25	Mamie Jackson ...	50
Total .....	\$10 00	Total .....	\$20 25

### How the "Signs" May Be Circulated

Years ago, before we began to publish magazines, a good many *Signs* weekly were sold from house to house by church members who made a regular business of this work. We believe this plan of circulating the *Signs* can and should be revived, and that good success will attend it.

The aim of those who take up this work should be to work up a regular round, where they may deliver their papers each week. The worker therefore should take a definite section of territory. He should divide his territory into sections for each day's work, and make a note in his notebook that he will work this section on Monday, the next on Tuesday, and so on. This is important, because when people consent to take a paper each week, they want it on the same day of the week. It is annoying to most people to get their paper on Monday one week, on Friday perhaps the next, and on Wednesday the third week. Therefore the worker should be very particular to call punctually at the appointed time each week, when the people are expecting their papers.

The worker should get out early in the morning, as the mornings are the best time for finding the people at home. He should take with him a notebook, pencil, and some small change. All periodical workers should see that their dress is neat, and that their appearance will rightly represent the message they carry.

The name of the first street worked should be entered in the notebook, and as each house is visited the result should be noted against its number. If no admittance can be obtained, it may be marked "Out." Empty houses should be noted.

If the paper is refused at your first visit, do not hesitate to call with it the following weeks, unless you are plainly told never to come again. I remember one periodical worker who had no memory for locations, so could not remember who had accepted the paper and who had refused it. She therefore

called at every house in her territory each week, and when told that she had been informed the week before that the paper was not wanted, she would sweetly apologize for troubling them and explain how it happened. The result was that many who refused at first were won over by her persistent calling and pleasant manner.

Before going out the paper should be well studied and a few good selling points selected. In these troubled times there are many articles appearing in the *Signs* that appeal to most-thinking men and women.

If this work of selling the *Signs* is to succeed, the workers must consecrate themselves to God and seek him earnestly in prayer day by day, that he will send his angels before them to prepare the hearts of the people.

The following letters are a few from among many which show that there are people living in many parts of the country who want the paper.

"Elkton, Minn.,

"February 14, 1916

"Find enclosed check for \$1.75 for which send me your valuable paper. Last summer I found a copy of it in the Austin depot and was so wonderfully pleased with it that I saved the paper to subscribe for it as soon as I could. I have never read a religious paper that I liked so well. I am not of your belief, I mean an Adventist, but I am redeemed with the same precious blood, the blood of Jesus Christ, whom you preach, and believe in the seriousness of the time we live in."

"Lenoir City, Tenn.

"February 17, 1916.

"I beg space in the columns of your paper to express my gratitude to the kind friends who sent me the *Signs of the Times*. I want to assure them it is appreciated, very much so because it is a gift, and doubly so because of its own value. There is food indeed for the hungry on its pages. Never was cool water more refreshing to one dying of thirst than has been this message to me."

"Kimball, Nebr.

"February 25, 1916.

"I am very anxious to learn something about the meaning and cause of the great world war. It seems to me that it is not as a common war, as it seems that no matter how badly people desire to keep out of it they are at last forced in.

"What does it all mean and what will at last come over the world? Is it possible it might be Armageddon? If you have any pamphlets or back numbers of your paper that will give me any light on the matter please send them to me and put me down for six months of your paper in addition, and I will send you the money. I got your name through an old friend who told me your paper would make things plain to me. I am anxious to hear from you soon and to get all you can send me to make these things plain to me."

"Green Bay, Wis.

"Would you please send me a copy of the *Signs of the Times*? I found a page of an old copy, 1904, and I hope this address is right which I use. Tell me the price of the paper for a year. I will send soon. I hope to see one of the late copies, as it seems to be a very good paper."

A systematic house-to-house work will find such honest souls as these, who are earnestly seeking for light from God.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

On one camp-ground sixty-five sets of the Reading Course books were sold. At each of two other camp-meetings fifty-five sets were sold. The general comment on the books in Senior Reading Course No. 10 and Junior No. 9 is that they are the best selections ever made. Surely you want to read them.

## "As a Man Thinketh in His Heart, So Is He"

How true this is! Our countenances too often become the canvas of our souls. A peculiar mold is placed on the expression of the minister, the banker, the lawyer, and those of other professions. Men who are close observers of human nature are quick to read this sign and not easily fooled in their decision. A Bible reader the other day overheard a lady say, "There is one lady who never teaches anything she does not believe." Her life was manifest in her countenance.

In these days of peril how this ought to apply to God's people. "As a man thinketh so is he." If our hearts are fixed on this closing message, and we drink it in, and meditate on it as we come in and as we go out, how long do you suppose it will be before God's likeness will be manifested in our lives?

Temptations take entrance through the five senses. If we control these avenues our character will be developed rapidly. If we shut our eyes from seeing evil, our ears from hearing things that are not true, and our hands from touching the unclean; if we can control our appetites, what opportunity has Satan to down us? Realizing the broad avenues through which temptations can come by way of sight, he has presented this generation with all the horrors of the modern picture play, the sensational bill boards, and the popular magazines. When passing the news stand the other day I noted such an elaborate display of popular magazines that I stopped to count them. There were thirty-five filled with a description of life that was planned to appeal to every lust of man.

Satan realizes that this is to be his last harvest, and he is presenting everything that will appeal to all the senses and lusts of man, for he must work fast. With such a propaganda as he is waging, souls are being destroyed by the hundreds every day. Passions are being kindled that will tell the bloody tale in riots, conflicts between capital and labor, and massacres. He leads men to dream of great possessions. He leads a few men on the Mexican border to feel that they can start an insurrection against the United States and overpower a mighty nation. Truly if ever there was a fulfillment of this statement, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he," we find it in the world today.

At the different camp-meetings we have heard a great deal on the subject of proper reading for our young people. A great many have pledged themselves to begin reading the Missionary Volunteer Reading Course books and not stop until they have read the entire number of books that have been put out in these courses. I am sure that is a good resolution, for these books are books that will kindle the fire of missionary zeal in our hearts. They will make us feel our duty toward our fellow men, and will fill us with a desire to have the image of God in our countenances and in our lives.

Below are the reading books listed under the different courses. This will help you to know just where to begin, and if you have read some books, it will tell you what others you will have to read in order to finish that specific course. We are very anxious that all will begin reading as soon as possible and that none will keep the books longer than two weeks so that opportunity may be given to others to read as well.

When you order a book from the Union Conference Circulating Library I trust that you will plan to read it so that you can write the review on the book, the questions for which are placed inside the back cover. As soon as this review is written, send it in to your conference secretary. If you do not have this list of books where you can refer to it, just inside the front cover you will find the names of the other books that are in this same Reading Course. I trust that every one who reads these books will not feel satisfied merely to read them and lay them down or send them back until they have written the review on the book. This will assist materially in fixing the thoughts the book has developed in our minds. There is nothing like putting our thoughts on paper to fasten them in the memory.

Let us determine before God that we will think of those things that are pure and true and lovely, and by reading books full of a missionary zeal and spirit get so afire ourselves that God can use us to present this message to a world of sorrow and sin.

Be sure to get your order in for these books right away, for others will be sending and you may not get your first choice. Remember these books are absolutely free to you, coming postpaid. The only expense that you are to is to send them back and pay the return postage. You can keep them two weeks free of charge, after which there is a detention fee of two cents per day the same as any other regular library book. As soon as these books are finished others will be added to the library in order that all of our people may get the most good possible from this excellent literature.

We shall be looking for the orders to roll in and shall be pleased to see the books getting out into the hands of the people. Surely now is the time to prepare for the scenes that are rapidly coming upon us.

### SENIOR No. 1.

Early Writings  
Into All the World  
Outline of Mission Fields  
Pastor Hsi

### SENIOR No. 2

Great Controversy  
Daybreak in the Dark Continent

### SENIOR No. 3.

Quiet Talks on Service  
The Moslem World  
The Great Second Advent Movement

### SENIOR No. 4.

Story of John G. Paton  
Turning Points in Successful Careers  
Christ's Object Lessons

### SENIOR No. 5.

The Price of Africa  
Passion for Men  
Ministry of Healing  
Miracles of Missions

### SENIOR No. 6.

The Uplift of China  
Patriarchs and Prophets  
The American Government

### SENIOR No. 7.

Exile to Overthrow  
Judaism to Christianity  
Wild Life on the Rockies

### SENIOR No. 8.

A Retrospect  
Ann of Ava  
The Desire of Ages

### SENIOR No. 9.

Things as They Are  
The History of the Sabbath  
History of William Miller

### SENIOR No. 10.

History of the Waldenses  
Advance Guard of Missions  
Getting Acquainted with Trees  
Steps to Christ

### JUNIOR No. 1.

Child Life in Mission Lands  
Christ Our Saviour

### JUNIOR No. 2.

Letters from the Holy Land  
Some Select Bible Readings  
My Garden Neighbors

### JUNIOR No. 3.

How the World Is Clothed  
The Story of Pitcairn Island  
Those Bible Readings

### JUNIOR No. 4.

Uganda's White Man of Work  
Early Writings  
North America

### JUNIOR No. 5.

Winning the Oregon Country  
Pilgrim's Progress  
Daybreak in Korea

### JUNIOR No. 6.

The Black Bearded Barbarian  
The Mount of Blessings  
In the Tiger Jungle

### JUNIOR No. 7.

Under Marching Orders  
Easy Steps in the Bible Story

### JUNIOR No. 8.

Livingstone, the Pathfinder  
Friends and Foes  
Sketches of Bible Child Life

### JUNIOR No. 9.

Places Young Americans Want to Know  
Children's Missionary Story-Sermons  
The First Book of Birds

The books of Senior set No. 10 and Junior set No. 9 are not in the Circulating Library yet. They will be put in next year. We want to encourage as many of our people to buy these sets as possible.

LYNN H. WOOD.

Infinite is the help man can yield to man.—Thomas Carlyle.

### Four Good Books

The supply of up-to-date literature for use in our home missionary campaign is continually increasing. The four twenty-five cent books are worthy of the largest possible circulation. At least one million of each book should be circulated. This is by no means an impossible aim. Each book is on a subject of intense and vital interest to the world at the present time, and therefore none of them are difficult to sell.

The following experiences will bear this out:

"Forty-seven orders for 'World's Crisis,' were taken in one city by a young colored man in three days. Another brother sold twelve the first day he went out, and still another sold one hundred copies in about two weeks. A sister, who felt that this work had come in answer to her prayer that she might do some good and make a little money for offerings, reported seven orders for her first hour's work."

"A sister went out last week and sold fifteen 'Shadow of the Bottle,' to help in church school work this winter. Another time she sold twenty-one copies. Here is a suggestion for those who are wondering how to meet tuition or church school pledges."

"A sister came into the tract society office recently and took away an armful of 'World's Crisis' and 'Shadow of the Bottle.' She said that she could sell them, and just to demonstrate that her work was not a failure, returned in about twenty minutes to the office with money for the books she had sold."

"A few weeks ago a typewriter salesman came into the office to make some repairs on our machines. He seemed interested to know who we were and what our people were doing, and of course we were very glad to give him information regarding the rise and progress of the denomination. Conversation soon turned to the war in Europe, and when he left we gave him a copy of the 'Vatican and the War,' which he promised he would read. Last week this man had occasion to call at the office again and about the first thing he said was, 'Have you any more of these books about the war?' Then he went on to say that while reading on the train he met the traveling guard from the State penitentiary, and as their conversation drifted to the war, this little 'Vatican and the War' was pulled out and discussed. The traveling guard asked if he might have the book. It was turned over to him, and the salesman was anxious for another copy."

"A sister is doing splendid work with *Life and Health*, and 'Shadow of the Bottle.' She is gaining access to some of the best homes in her town, and also has succeeded in interesting some of the railroad officials."

"Quite a number of pupils in one church school are selling 'World's Crisis.' Some sold twenty last week after school hours. It shows what can be done."

"From the sale of 'World's Crisis,' one minister is finding individuals who are anxious to know what is truth. Openings are presenting themselves for Bible studies and cottage meetings."

"I have just had a month's vacation, which I spent in selling 'World's Crisis,' and 'Shadow of the Bottle,' in places I had previously canvassed. I also visited friends and relatives and isolated Sabbath-keepers who are members of our Sabbath-school home department. I sold one hundred and sixteen books in a few days, averaging a little over twenty in six hours."

"One sister reported her sales of 'The World's Crisis,' as follows: Monday, 86; Tuesday, 86; Wednesday, 90. In another city her best record for one day was 110 copies. Several young women have earned scholarships by selling 'The World's Crisis,' and 'Shadow of the Bottle.'"

"A little girl earned her dollar for the thirteenth Sabbath offering by selling 'The World's Crisis.' We wonder if there are not other children and older people who might follow her example."

A short canvass for each of these books, "The World's Crisis,"

"Shadow of the Bottle," "The Vatican and the War," and "Armageddon," can be obtained from your conference home missionary or tract society secretary. Now is the time to sell these books, while the issue they deal with are stirring the minds of the people. EDITH M. GRAHAM.

### "Let Us Rise Up and Build." Neh. 2:18.

After the schools of the prophets had been in operation long enough to educate substantial men for statesmanship in Israel, there followed Solomon's golden reign of peace, the building of the temple, and the experience recorded in the fifth, sixth, and seventh chapters of second Chronicles.

It is a wonderful experience to follow the Lord so closely in the work of our lives that he can so signally manifest his approval as he did to Solomon. It was not until the work of building the temple was done and "Solomon brought in all the things that David his father had dedicated: and the silver and gold and all the instruments" that he considered his work ready for dedication. When "the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising the Lord . . . then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the Lord; . . . for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God." 2 Chron. 5:13, 14. Upon a finished work God set his approval. So interested were the people in doing as the Lord had directed that they "made one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord."

God's blessing always rests upon one who does a work for him, however imperfect it may be, but he gives wisdom for a complete work as heart and life are submitted to him. It was when the people *all* shouted that the walls of Jericho fell, it was when there was "one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord" that the glory of the Lord filled the house. When, in Nehemiah's experience of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem, they said, "Let us rise up and build," and they "strengthened their hands for this good work," then the wall was built, "for all the people had a mind to work."

Had there been lack of unity in action within the walls, they could never have withstood the attempts of the enemy without, to spoil their work. But all these wicked efforts were unavailing because God's work was being done by a united people. There is no surer way of breaking down the walls of our defense than by allowing the world to take the time and talents of our young people. "Now as never before we need to understand the principles of true education or we shall never have a place in the kingdom of God." United effort is required for our church schools, our training schools, and *just now* for our medical school.

No more truly did God send Nehemiah to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, or approve of the building of Solomon's temple than he has spoken definite plans for the work of our Medical College. Just as truly as his glory filled the temple, so will his presence and blessing manifest his approval if we follow his opening providences at this time.

A most ideal site has been purchased in a most favorable part of Los Angeles for the new Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital. The signal blessing of God has rested upon those who are working to secure means for its erection. In speaking of the purchase of Loma Linda in 1905, Sister White said, "The securing of this property at such a price as we paid for it is a miracle that should open the eyes of our understanding. If such manifest workings of God do not give us a new experience, what will?"

The Lord is continuing just such miracles in the advance of our work here. Let there be a long, strong, united effort now to provide those facilities for our school which will "close a door the enemy would be pleased to have left open." Let our sisters rise to the privileges that are now theirs in this "Woman's Movement" and let the work of erecting the Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital go rapidly forward.

NEWTON G. EVANS.

## Kentucky Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 5:48

Friday, September 8

West 6:19

### Camp-Meeting

The camp-meeting and conference is now a thing of the past for the year 1916, and I am sure that all who attended this meeting will voice the same sentiment that it was the best meeting ever held in the Kentucky Conference. From the first to the last meeting there was a spirit of devotion and consecration manifested on the part of the people. All the brethren were of one mind, and in talking together the burden they expressed was to stand in such a condition that they might receive the latter rain and become efficient workers to give the message in their neighborhoods and wherever the Lord would call them to labor.

The workers' meeting, which was held just before the camp-meeting, was one of interest, and each of the workers took hold to plan for the advancement of the truth of God throughout the State of Kentucky. As we studied plans as outlined in the Word of God how we could be more successful in winning souls, we were led to cry out for more of the Holy Spirit to enable us to do the work that has been committed to us.

We were glad to have with us good help from the outside. The attendance from the city was very large, and because of the interest, the committee thought it advisable to carry on a strong tent effort for a time to see if some results could not be obtained.

We were pleased to be favored with the Watchman Quartet during the last three days of the meeting.

One of the most important recommendations that was passed during the session was that our conference should be held every two years instead of every year as in the past.

The officers for the ensuing term are the same as last year except that Mrs. D. E. Lindsey was asked to take the Sabbath school and young people's work. This was brought about from the fact that Miss Lena Brown expects to attend the Berrien Springs college the coming school year.

Those who did not have the privilege of attending this meeting missed a treat of good things, but we pray that the Lord will send his blessings to the heart of every believer throughout the State, and that the same spirit that was manifested on the camp ground will take hold of every heart throughout the conference.

Let us labor and pray to make the coming conference term the best in the winning of souls for the Master. Let us also labor to raise our tithe and offerings until we get them just where the Lord can say, "Well done" to each member throughout the field.

I will be glad to hear from those throughout the conference who have special interests that should be followed up at an early date.

B. W. BROWN.

### News Items

Elder Charles Thompson, who attended our camp-meeting, left at the close to visit relatives in the State of Illinois.

Brother M. F. Knox and wife, of Nashville, were in attendance at the camp-meeting. Brother Knox was with us to represent the Publishing House.

Brother J. W. Davis attended a part of our meeting and left to attend the colored meetings in Alabama and Mississippi.

G. H. Curtis attended the meeting in Kentucky and assisted in the work of compiling reports at the office.

Those who attended the camp-meeting were favored by having

the privilege of hearing the Watchman Quartet which was with us for the last half of our meeting.

Dr. Farnsworth and Hubert Morphew have returned to Nashville, while Brother Gray remained in Bowling Green to visit relatives for a few days.

A party composed of eleven persons went to Mammoth Cave on Monday, August 28, and spent the day.

The attendance at camp-meeting this year was the largest we have ever held of our own people. The offering taken the two Sabbaths on the ground for missions amounted to about four hundred dollars.

Elder S. E. Wight and family, accompanied by Brother Harvey from the Publishing House, stopped overnight in Bowling Green en route to Michigan. Elder Wight's health is improving, and he hopes to return in a few weeks perfectly well. We are glad indeed to see him on his feet again.

Charles B. Sherer, one of our canvassers, has left to attend school in North Carolina.

Brother Andy Schroader attended the camp-meeting and has now gone to the western part of the State to canvass.

Jesse E. Miller, who did good work in the canvassing field a few years ago, has returned to canvass in this State and will take up work in Franklin County for the good book "Daniel and Revelation."

The outside attendance at the conference was such that the committee thought it advisable to carry on the effort. It was decided that Elder Brown with a company of workers consisting of Elder White, Mrs. Lindsey, and Mrs. Harrison should carry forward the work.

It will soon be time for the church schools to open throughout the conference, and it is none too late for a school. If you have not already secured a teacher and wish to have a school, write to Elder Brown at once and he will endeavor to supply you with a teacher.

### A Fifty-per-cent Prospectus

A new prospectus for home workers has been prepared by the Southern Publishing Association, containing only books upon which a commission of fifty per cent can be allowed. It is not expected or desired that our regular colporteurs should use this, as their work is to sell the large books. It is intended, however, to be used by our ministers, Bible Workers, home missionary workers, and others who are not engaged in regular colporteur work. The following in the list:

	Cloth	Board	Paper
Armageddon .....	\$ .50	\$ .	\$.25
Best Stories from the Best Book .....	.75	.60	
Christ Our Saviour .....	.75	.60	
Gospel Primer .....	.50	.35	
Gospel Story .....	.50	.35	
King's Daughter .....	.75		
Making Home Happy .....	.75		
Man That Rum Made, The .....	.75		
Men of the Mountains, The .....	1.50	.75	
New Testament Primer .....	.50	.35	
Other Side of Death, The .....	.50	.25	
Shadow of the Bottle, The .....	.50	.25	
Steps to Christ .....	.75		
Tiger and Tom .....	.75		
Vatican and the War, The .....	.50	.25	
World's Crisis, The .....	.50	.25	

The price of this prospectus is only fifty cents, postpaid. All orders should be placed through your conference tract society.

The greatest truths are the simplest; and so are the greatest men.—A. W. Hare.

## Tennessee River Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 5: 44

Friday, September 8

West 6: 22

### Special Notice

The Tennessee River Tract Society desires to announce that they have just installed a stock of tracts valued at \$150. They solicit orders large or small from those who may desire to order. All orders will be filled the same day as received, and when orders are placed for unbroken packages, a discount of 15 per cent will be allowed. We earnestly trust that our constituency will avail themselves of every opportunity to distribute tracts and magazines to those whom they meet in their visits and travels. It is a good plan to have a tract pocket in your coat; in this way you can always be prepared for any opportunity that may arise. Send all orders to the Tennessee River Tract Society, 2014 23rd Ave. N. Nashville, Tenn. Tract list free upon application.

### News Items

Elder Elliott, the conference president, occupied the 11 o'clock hour at the Memorial church Sabbath, August 19. He addressed the congregation with reference to the nearness of the end of this earth's history, urging his hearers to give the cause the best that is in them for the carrying on of the work.

Elder Denslow and wife have gone to Paducah, Ky., to assist Brother Pound in a tent effort. They report that the meetings began August 28. They write that they are expecting a good meeting and are hopeful of greatly strengthening the church there by the addition of several new converts.

Fearing that the proposed railroad strike will tie up the mail and freight, checks were mailed out to the conference laborers on August 31 for the month's salary. We hope that no one in the conference will suffer any distress if the strike should come. This is certainly a time of crisis in this nation's history, and we should take advantage of every opportunity that presents itself to show to our friends and acquaintances the scriptural evidences for these events.

Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Harris, with Miss Lenna Simkin and Miss Genevieve Robert, reached Nashville Thursday evening, August 31, and report having had a very pleasant vacation.

Elder Bellinger writes that he has been very busy the past few days visiting the members in Jackson and planning for the trip which he will make to the churches in the western part of the conference.

Mr. F. C. Varney, formerly conference treasurer, left Nashville September first for Atlanta, Ga., and Washington D. C., en route to South America. He will visit his relatives in Atlanta and Washington and will sail from New York on the steamship "Tenedores" September 22. We wish Brother Varney every success and a long and successful career in the Master's vineyard.

Miss Beulah Cothren, formerly connected with the Tennessee River Conference as a Bible worker in the city of Nashville, reached this city August 31 for a few days' visit. She also expects to attend the convention of self-supporting workers at the Madison School at Madison, Tenn.

### Home Missionary Work

The past week I have been in Big Sandy and Springville. At the close of the tent meeting at Big Sandy four began the observance of the Sabbath. On Sabbath afternoon, August 26, one of these dear souls followed the Lord in baptism. The

others will be baptized a little later when I make my next visit to this place.

We held a couple of good meetings with the Springville church. The Harvest Ingathering work was taken up at one meeting and 375 papers were ordered. The church seemed determined to do all they could to raise our quota in this conference this year. May this be the desire of every church. Remember the three things it will take — consecration, determination, and organization. These will reach the desired goal of \$100,000. The goal for this conference to reach is \$1,064.70. We hope that each member of the churches will do all he can and make an effort to raise at least \$2. Some will do more than this. Why not reach the goal this year? We can do it if we all work a little. The month of October is the month. Surely we can make it this year.

Seven orders for the *Church Officers' Gazette* were taken in the Springville church. Do you take it? If not, send your order to the tract society at once. It is only fifty cents a year. Every church elder, missionary leader and secretary should have the *Gazette*.

There are bright prospects for a good church school at Springville this winter. May the Lord bless his people.

Jackson, Tenn.

JAMES BELLINGER.

## Louisiana Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 6: 15

Friday, September 8

West 6: 34

### News Items

Sabbath, August 27, Elder Sanders spent with the Shreveport Church, and reports a very profitable time.

Mrs. Sanders was recently called to Michigan on account of serious illness.

Encouraging reports come from the tent effort now being conducted in Lake Charles by Elders Frank and McLennan, a full account of which will appear later.

The brethren conducting the effort in Shreveport are now locating the tent in a new portion of the city, and report prospects for a good attendance.

The Shreveport Sabbath school No. 2 in using a chart and ships to stimulate the interest in bringing up their donations. They are proving highly satisfactory.

Good reports are coming in from the colporteurs, and rich blessings enjoyed is the testimony of each one.

Last week Brother Coble wrote, "Monday I took 'Acts of the Apostles,' 'Daniel and Revelation,' 'Bible Readings,' and 'Great Controversy' and sold them all to one colored preacher."

Pray for me and the work here."

C. B. Dunham, of Dunn, La., is making preparations to enter the canvassing work in the near future.

Brother Boswell has recently visited A. B. Cheek, and writes, "We stayed overnight with a railroad section foreman with whom Brother Cheek had boarded about seven years ago. The man said he had bought \$18 worth of books of him at that time."

I left Brother Cheek taking orders from the section men belonging to the man's crew."

The fall deliveries of our colporteurs are just now coming on. Let us remember them in our daily petitions that the message for today may be placed in many homes.

After camp-meeting Brother and Sister Paul went to Mansfield to spend a few weeks laboring there before their proposed departure for California where they plan to resume their studies in the Loma Linda College. Brother Paul, however, took seriously ill, but is again improved in health. They hope to go West after spending a short time with their relatives in Michigan.



## Alabama Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time

East 5:54

Friday, September 8

West 6:13

### News Items

Believing that the resolutions adopted at the recent camp-meeting in Montgomery will be of interest to all, they will be published from time to time. The first resolution submitted by the committee on plans was very appropriate:

WHEREAS, In spite of a world torn by the ravages of war, God has permitted the four angels to hold the winds of strife in this field, and has granted us a year of peace, and

WHEREAS, Though most of our people have been blessed in basket and store, yet some have suffered through the devastation of storms, therefore

Resolved, That in view of the uncertainty of life and property and the signs that are given us of the rapid approach of the end of all things, we most solemnly and earnestly praise God for the watchcare of the past year and reconsecrate ourselves to the finishing of the work as soon as possible.

The secretary's record regarding this resolution is as follows: "Elder A. L. Miller feelingly called our attention to the seriousness of the times in which we are living, making this resolution something more than a merely formality. We know not how long it will be before the wrath of God will break forth upon this earth in all its fury. Elder R. I. Keate, Professor Wood, and others voiced the sentiment of all, stating that our hearts should ascend in renewed consecration to God while devastation, wars, and pestilences are walking throughout the length and breadth of the earth.. All united in passing this resolution by singing, 'We praise thee O God.'"

One very encouraging feature of the camp-meeting was the goodly number of names presented by the Committee on Credentials and Licenses to be granted colporteur's credentials. They were as follows: H. A. Lynd, J. E. Foley, Quinnie Tew, N. H. Waters, J. C. Holland, L. W. Miller, E. C. Widgery, Robert J. Cook, G. W. Brown, and U. Bracy. These men have done faithful work the past year and form the nucleus for a strong body of workers the coming year.

"Religious Liberty" will be the subject of the *Signs of the Times* weekly for October 17. There is a dark cloud gathering, soon to break upon the heads of God's people in the form of religious persecution. Among the interesting articles the following might be mentioned: "Should Church and State Be United?" "Is This a Christian Nation?" "Recent Sunday Law Persecutions," "On the Road to Tyranny," "Stepping Stones to the Dark Ages," This issue should be placed in the hands of ministers, lawyers, judges, and State officials. The prices are as follows: 10 to 800 copies two and one half cents each; 1,000 copies or more, two cents each. Individuals or churches desiring to furnish lists and have the papers mailed from the office postpaid, marked sample copy, may do so by paying three cents a copy. The twenty numbers of the Present Truth Series thus far printed total four million fifteen hundred six, requiring over sixty tons of paper, or four carloads. The first week in July 130,000 copies were ordered, and the third week 100,000 copies were demanded, the general average being about a quarter of a million a month. Some one is scattering the pages of truth like the leaves of autumn. What have you done with the Present Truth Series? Read this paragraph again, for it tells of a mighty work being done by somebody. Is that somebody you?

The talent of success is doing what you can well, and doing well whatever you do.—Longfellow.

## Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending August 26, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.	
E M Blount . . . BF	15	16	\$16 50	\$	\$16 50	\$	
U Bracy . . . . . BF	35	2	3 00	1 65	4 65		9 00
R L Etheredge . BF	23	11	14 50	17 40	31 90		
Jno Fahrner . . GC	6	1	3 00		3 00		3 00
J C Holland* . . BR	35	16	48 00	1 40	49 40		34 00
H A Lynd . . . . BR	7	1	4 00	1 40	5 40		3 00
Mrs C Miller . . .				1 50	1 50		
Luther Miller . . BR	40	5	16 00		16 00		7 00
RMMcAllister . BR	7		3 00	1 00	4 00		
Frank McRae . . BF	53	32	35 50		35 50		
F M Reiber . . . BR	34	6	19 00	1 75	20 75		
Q Tew . . . . . BR	9	3	10 00		10 00		
Norman Waters BF	38	19	29 50	1 75	31 25		15 00
M E Whatley D&R	5						13 00
Bibles . . . . .			3 00		3 00		
Totals (Agts. 14)	307	112	\$205 00	\$27 85	\$232 85		\$84 00

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
R W Harris . . . BR	59	26	\$59 50	\$	\$59 50	\$	
E Tatman . . . . CK	33	25	37 50	2 00	39 50		
E Kuebel . . . . CK	14	11	16 50	1 00	17 50		
JBReichenbach BR	44	12	36 00	1 00	37 00		
R F Hickman . . BR	44	15	45 00	18 25	63 25		
D E H Lindsey . DR	22	1	3 00		3 00		15 40
B E Wagner . . DR	25						33 80
Bibles . . . . .			13 00		13 00		6 00
Totals (Agts. 7)	241	105	\$210 50	\$22 25	\$232 75		\$55 20

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE							
T S Sligh . . . . BR	34	13	\$41 00	\$ 75	\$41 75	\$	
A B Cheek* . . BR	73	23	78 00	2 40	80 40		
J B Hardy . . . . BR	19	6	23 00		23 00		
Cliff Field . . . . BR	24	17	55 00		55 00		
J Reba Perkins BR	34	10	32 00		32 00		
E P Campbell . HM	16	12	24 00	85	24 85		
Bibles . . . . .			5 90		5 90		
Totals (Agts. 6)	200	81	\$258 90	\$4 00	\$262 90		

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE							
J R Allen . . . . BR	33	8	\$25 00	\$ 4 15	\$29 15		
W J Keele . . . D&R	46	12	38 00	3 00	41 00		
W F Nance . . . CK	38	35	52 50	1 20	53 70		
Totals (Agts. 3)	117	55	\$115 50	\$ 8 35	\$123 85		

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Summary from January 1 to Date			
Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
Alabama Conference..	\$7727 45	\$ 216 35	\$1443 05
Kentucky Conference .	11214 25	383 35	5331 10
Louisiana Conference .	6490 80	63 00	1144 32
Mississippi Conference	19611 90	860 20	1271 40
Tenn. River Conference	7952 95	561 35	1497 51
Totals . . . . .	\$52997 35	\$2084 25	\$10687 38

## Magazine Agents' Report for Week Ending August 26, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE			
Agent	No.	Value	
Mrs. C. Miller . . . . .	30	\$3 00	
R. M. McAllister . . . . .	5	\$5 00	
Totals . . . . .	35	\$3 50	

\* Two weeks.

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### News Items

Brother M. F. Knox, treasurer of the Southern Publishing Association, and G. H. Curtis attended a meeting of the executive committee of the Southern Training School Board at Graysville, Tenn., Wednesday, the thirtieth. Plans were laid for the furnishings for the new school, disposition of property at Graysville, and other matters of importance. Prof. W. E. Howell, acting secretary of the educational department of the North American Division Conference, was also present.

On Thursday the committee visited the site of the new school at Ooltewah. The crops on the farm are splendid considering the unusual conditions this year.

Further reports of the actions of the committee will be made later.

Payments of the pledges for the school are coming in quite rapidly, but we trust no one will overlook the need of every dollar that can possibly be secured before September 15.

Send remittances at once to your conference treasurer or to G. H. Curtis, 2014 23rd Ave. N. Nashville, Tenn.

### Teacher's Reading Course

No doubt a number of our church school teachers in this union will be interested to know what the reading course is for this next year. Word has just come from Washington announcing the books, and they are as follows: "Council Proceedings," "The Unfolding Life," "Every-Day Pedagogy," "Christian Educator." The price of these books has not been sent.

"Council Proceedings" is the report of the Educational Convention held at St. Helena a year ago last June. It contains some very interesting reports, and will be very helpful to the teacher in her school administration. We trust that every teacher in the union will plan to read these books and have the review ready for report at the close of the year.

LYNN H. WOOD.

If you did not get a leaflet of questions with each of the Reading Course books you have purchased, ask your conference Missionary Volunteer secretary for it. You will find these questions very helpful when reading the book.

"God gives us all some small sweet way to set the world rejoicing."

### Ooltewah Board Meeting Postponed

A great many young people in this union will be looking for definite word with regard to the actions of the Ooltewah School Board meeting that was to have been held the twenty-ninth of August. Because of the inability of several North American Division men who had been called in for counsel to be present, this meeting is postponed until September 12. After this meeting definite information can be given to young people who desire school advantages at Ooltewah this coming year.

I trust that all will pray that God will lead in the counsel and decisions of this board meeting, and that just the right thing will be done. Surely we have never faced so important an issue as we do at the present time and one which will mean so much for the development of the work.

LYNN H. WOOD.

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### Gorilla or God?

Strange, is it not, that so many choose the first-named for their ancestor? Why is it that so many people subordinate their own better judgment to the visionary theories of evolutionists? Why do they follow "cunningly devised fables" and seemingly prefer to believe a lie, when the Bible so plainly and simply and satisfactorily tells from whence man came and whither he goes? Beautiful thoughts, many of them new, couched in scholarly diction, stamps this as one of the very best pen products of a well-known writer. The September *Signs Magazine* ought to be widely circulated even if this article were the only good reason for it. Here are other reasons: Blue Laws; Peace and Preparedness; Is India Loyal to Britain? Europe's Holocaust to Wars; Cumulative Evidence of Christ's Second Coming; Memorials of the Bible; A Promise That Fails Not; A Revelation and a Solution; Current Topics in the Light of Bible Prophecy. Tell your tract society secretary to send you a supply of the September *Signs Magazine*.

Others are affected by what I am, and say, and do. And these others have also their sphere of influence. So that a single act of mine may spread in widening circles through a nation or humanity.—William Ellery Channing.

Could I find a place to be alone with Heaven, I would speak my heart out: Heaven is my need.—George Meredith.