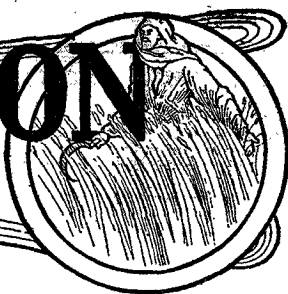


SOUTHERN UNION WORKER



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

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From Shadow to Sunshine

I learn as the years roll onward,
And leave the past behind,
That much I have counted sorrow
But proves that our God is kind;
That many a flower I longed for
Had a hidden thorn of pain;
And many a rugged by-path
Led to fields of ripened grain.

The clouds but cover the sunshine;
They cannot banish the sun;
And the earth shines out the brighter
When the weary rain is done.
We must stand in the deepest shadow
To see the clearest light;
And often from wrong's own darkness
Comes the very strength of right.

So the heart from the hardest trial
Gains the purest joy of all,
And from the lips that have tasted sadness
The sweetest songs will fall.
For as peace comes after suffering,
And love is reward for pain,
So after earth is heaven,
And out of our loss is gain.

—Selected.

Our Colporteurs Gospel Workers

Our colporteur work has become so well established among us that no right-minded Seventh-day Adventist questions its utility as a divine agency for reaching the millions of earth's inhabitants with the message.

Much instruction has come to us through the servant of the Lord concerning this work,—who should engage in it, and how it should be conducted. It is said that rightly conducted "it is missionary work of the highest order," and that "it is ordained of God as a means of reaching many that otherwise would never be impressed with the truth." It is therefore to be conducted "from a missionary standpoint," and never as a commercial enterprise. It is an evangelizing agency, and none should have a part in it whose hands are defiled with sin and whose hearts are not right with God, but only those who have a deep love for souls, and are willing to engage in a self-sacrificing work in order to reach them.

To such as enter the work with the right motive, heavenly angels, though unseen by mortal eye, become helpers and companions. The work is of heavenly origin, and consequently the heavenly intelligences are intensely interested in its success.

We cannot explain the marvelous growth and prosperity of this department of our work on any other basis than that it is God's work. Many are the souls rejoicing in the light of present truth through the effort of the godly colporteur, and

though he may not have the joy of meeting them personally and seeing the fruit of his labor in this life, he will, if faithful, ultimately enter into the fulness of that joy in the kingdom of God.

In the *Review* of Nov. 5, 1914, Sister White penned these significant words, "The success attending the efforts of ministers in the field is due in a great degree to the influence of the reading matter which has enlightened the minds of the people and removed prejudice." This is in harmony with the words of the Saviour in John 4:36-38: "And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true, One soweth and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labor: other men labored, and ye are entered into their labors."

Thus the minister and the colporteur are collaborators in the work with God, who after all must give the increase, and when the work is finished they will rejoice together.

W. W. EASTMAN.

First Vesper Service in College Hall

At the going down of the sun Friday evening, November 10, the students and teachers of the Southern Junior College met for the first chapel exercise in the college building. It was a joyful occasion. Practically all the students were there on time, and every one was happy because work was far enough along so that we could get from our crowded quarters in the dining room and kitchen into the more roomy place in the college building. While we held school in the dining room it was necessary to accommodate between sixty and seventy in two small rooms. In the room used for chapel exercises there was ample room for our school to be seated comfortably.

All Friday afternoon Elder Field with a corps of boys worked diligently scrubbing the floor, brushing down cobwebs, and fixing seats to be used for the first vesper service at sundown. Professor Marshall had the lights in readiness, so that when time for the service came the building was brilliantly lighted by two gasoline lamps. This is a vast improvement over the kerosene lamps we had been using heretofore.

Promptly at 4:30 the song service began. The spirit of song was in the hearts of the students. After singing for a few minutes, a season of prayer was engaged in, after which Elder Field gave a short study on the relation we should sustain while in school to our Lord and Master. Following the scripture study, opportunity was given for testimonies. A large number responded, expressing their devotion to the Master and their determination to live for him this year. This was the fourth vesper service of the year, and it is pleasing to note that at each meeting more students give oral testimonies. There has been an increase of about ten in the number of testimonies at each meeting. An earnest season of prayer closed our meeting.

L. K. THIEL.

"Prayer is a grand tonic for soul fatigue."

News Notes from Collegedale

Mrs. C. R. Cox, of California, Mrs. Adams' mother, has been visiting at the school the past week. She expects to spend some time visiting Professor Adams and family.

Professor Adams, the music teacher, has been busily engaged in fixing up his cottage, and has a very comfortable dwelling made from one of the shacks. He expects Mrs. Adams this week.

Considerable interest is being aroused in the naming of the cottages and places of residence about the campus. The old commissary building is now bearing the dignified title of "College Hall." The old farmhouse is called the "Dormitory." The cottage where Professor Marshall lives bears the name of "Pine View." Professor and Mrs. Thiel live at "Loneoak." Three colporteurs living in three tent houses in a row have named the street in front of their houses "Colporteur Avenue." A cottage containing four boys is "We Like It."

At the young people's meeting last week considerable interest was aroused by more experiences of the colporteurs. Miss Sadie Rogers told of her experience in the magazine work this past summer. Mr. Cramer and Mr. Perkins were both engaged in the book work and gave their experiences, which were very interesting. The general topic for the day was "Dangers and Possibilities of Student Life."

Reduction in "Signs Weekly" Rates

With a firm conviction that our denominational missionary paper, the *Signs*, should occupy a much broader field of influence, and that this desired result would follow if prices were such as to encourage the taking of large clubs, the publishers of that soul-winner have decided to make some sweeping reductions in rates.

After earnestly studying the situation for several days, it was seen that this could be done by effecting certain economies in production, such as issuing an eight-page paper the size of the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, and the standardizing of their English and foreign periodicals, ten or twelve in number.

In some respects, the paper in its new form will be better than heretofore. Shorter, right-to-the-point articles, set in one size smaller type, will insure quite as wide a range of topics each week as now appear.

The new prices follow: Single subscriptions, one year, \$1.00; six months, 60 cents. Clubs of five or more, one year, 80 cents each; five or more, six months, 45 cents each. Five or more, three months, 25 cents each. Lists: five or more to separate addresses, one year, 85 cents each; five or more, six months, 50 cents each; five or more, three months, 30 cents each. Single subscription, one year, with premium book, "Questions and Answers," \$1.50. All singles and clubs now on mailing list will have time extended proportionately to the amount due.

Special offer: The remainder of this year together with the full fifty issues of 1917, at the prices quoted.

A New Sabbath Card

On a little card which will easily go into an envelope, it is clearly shown by fifteen texts of Scripture that Sunday is not the Sabbath of the New Testament.

On the opposite side of the card, more than thirty texts show that the Seventh day always was, is now, and always will be the Sabbath. This card should be circulated by the thousands. Busy people will read it because it is short and to the point. Price, 50 cents per 100, postpaid.

Address C. P. Whitford, Orlando, Fla.

A Good Work at the Tennessee Penitentiary

At the special request of Sister George C. Pierce and Brother L. R. Simshauser, the writer, in company with Dr. M. A. Farnsworth and Messrs. G. H. Curtis and H. L. Morphew visited the Tennessee State Penitentiary Sunday school on the afternoon of October 29 and sang for the prisoners. It seemed to be a treat for the men behind the bars, and several songs were called for and a very urgent invitation was given for the singers to come again.

At the present time there are about fourteen hundred prisoners in the penitentiary, seventy of whom are women. Every Sunday afternoon preaching service and Sunday school is conducted in the prison chapel for those of the prisoners who wish to attend. The preaching service is from two until three o'clock and the Sunday school from three until four. About four hundred of the prisoners attend these Sunday afternoon services, a large majority of whom seem to take a very deep interest in the study of the lessons. About twenty men and women from the city go out to the prison every Sunday to take charge of as many different classes in the Sunday school. Among these are Sister George C. Pierce and Brother L. R. Simshauser.

As we sat upon the platform during the lesson study period and watched the different faces throughout the room, we could not refrain from speaking of the many bright and intelligent faces present, and of the interest these men were taking in the study of the lesson. Some of them are well versed in the Scriptures and no doubt have made a profession of religion at some time during their lives, but during a moment or two of wrath, or while their brains were beclouded for a time with the fumes of liquor they have committed the crime for which they are paying the penalty of the best years of their lives. Good positions, social standing, brilliant prospects have been destroyed. And here they are paying the penalty.

Some of the men have been convicted through circumstantial evidence, and some for crimes over which they had no control. It is to these men, especially, that the Sunday school teachers are a source of great help and comfort. As a result of the faithful work of these men and women who come Sunday after Sunday to minister to the spiritual needs of the prisoners, many have given their hearts to Christ, and some through the influence of the teaching of Sister Pierce and Brother Simshauser have even accepted the truth.

Brother Simshauser has been a faithful attendant at the penitentiary Sunday school for over ten years, going Sunday after Sunday through rain and snow and through all sorts of weather to give what comfort he could to the six or eight men who compose his class. He is the assistant superintendent now of the prison Sunday school, the chaplain, a Baptist minister, being the superintendent.

For nearly three years Sister Pierce has also been a faithful and constant attendant, lending her influence, her time, her motherly counsel, and her prayers to the ones with whom she comes in contact. And she has been abundantly rewarded by seeing some of her students accept the Saviour and rejoice in the light of the third angel's message. Sister Pierce has taken a special interest in those who have been convicted by circumstantial evidence, and those who have suffered shame and disgrace through a moment of uncontrolled passion, oftentimes spending days investigating their cases and working for their pardon. Through her faithful efforts she has been successful in securing the pardon of several prisoners, and at least one has gone out from the walls of the prison a Sabbath-keeper, and is now devoting his life to the spreading of the third angel's message.

"Go ye out into the byways and hedges and compel them to come in." How strikingly these words picture the prison work—the work often the most neglected by Adventists. There are honest hearted souls even behind prison bars. It is not always by their own responsibility that they are there.

God has his jewels in every walk of life whom he expects his people to go out and find and tell of the way to salvation. An opportunity is offered in almost every community for work of this kind. These men behind the bars of the city, county, or State institutions are alone many times, and friendless. They are always eager to receive reading matter and will read practically everything that is given to them. If you can't do any more than take them some reading matter, do that. They will appreciate it. It will lead the way to personal work with some discouraged soul behind the bars. There are no bars to God's kingdom. Let us pray for these men in the prisons and the work that is being done for them.

J. L. McCONAUGHEY.

Alabama Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time

East 4:30

Friday November 24

West 4:55

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER

CONFERENCE

Birmingham

Elder R. I. Keate	Mrs. H. M. Keate
Mrs. H. M. Newsome	Mrs. Elford
Mrs. W. McClure	Mrs. T. J. Hoskins
Miss Vinnie Goodner	Mrs. W. B. Garrigan
M. L. Wilson	Mrs. Joiner

Mrs. Hawkinson

Borden Springs

Hugh W. Jones

Montgomery

Eld. J. F. Wright J. F. Dennis

Sheffield

Mrs. Mollie Miller

Missioin

Huntsville	Pensacola
Classie Powers	C. A. Wilson
Bessie Powers	

Mobile

Eliza Gardiner

Oakwood

Prof. C. J. Boyd Elder Bird

With the Churches

At the close of our camp-meeting this year it was voted by the conference committee that the writer make a tour among the churches in the southern part of the State. This was done, just finishing the trip this week, and we are pleased to send on a report of the work to the readers of the WORKER.

On our way to Ashford it was a privilege to visit some isolated members at Linwood. While there we conducted a meeting which was quite well attended. On arriving at Ashford we found the church holding on, but in need of help. In the services there the Spirit of the Lord drew near, hearts were touched, and all consecrated their lives anew to God. Many confessions were made concerning robbing God in tithes and offerings. Three were baptized, two being rebaptized, and one addition was made to the church. On Monday night an invitation was

accepted to speak in the Methodist church at Ashford on the subject of war. The address seemed to be well received.

Next we met with the mission church at Dothan. Brother Blackwood is doing a good work at this place. A nice school is being conducted, and the meeting with this church seemed an encouragement to all. They are taking hold of the Harvest Ingathering and missionary work with new energy.

From there we went to the mission church at Pensacola, Fla. Several services were conducted at this place. While the church in the past has not been doing so much, yet the meetings were a success, and the members are now of good courage and pressing forward. A school was being opened for the children of the church. Brother Wilson is doing good work as leader, and the church has a brighter future.

Our next appointment found us with the white and mission churches in Mobile. Some real spiritual meetings were held with both churches, most every one responding in a decided way to the call for more active service in the home missionary work. Both young and old are taking part in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. The white church is looking forward with eager anticipation to the day when they will have their new building. We hope that will soon be realized. They also are planning for a strong church school.

Going across the Mobile Bay, a few days were spent with the brethren and sisters of the following churches and companies: Fairhope, Summerdale, Silverhill, Pine Grove, and Stapleton. The meetings were some of the best ever conducted by the writer. We thank the Lord for the spirit which prevailed. Most of this section suffered greatly from the storms during the summer. Many face the winter with very little, yet their courage in the Lord is good. The attendance from the outside was more than common, and much interest was manifested on the part of all. At Silverhill one precious soul went forward in baptism and united with the church.

In all of these meetings a great deal of stress was laid upon the need of each one of our people becoming more earnest in the service of God, of being faithful in tithes and offerings, also taking an active part in missionary work, thus helping to finish the work speedily. That the Lord will bless abundantly his people and the efforts they are putting forth is our most earnest prayer.

J. F. WRIGHT.

Consecration and Concentration Needed

In a time like this when the world is on fire and men are struggling in the great sea of war, with the last ray of hope extinguished; when men are groping in darkness and the world is perishing for the light of truth; with the privileges and opportunities such as we have never had in the past, will we not consecrate ourselves anew to this great work? Jesus said, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work." John 9:4. This night must soon, very soon, fall upon the world unprepared for it.

God has given us great light, and we are responsible to him and our neighbors for this great light. In Vol. V, page 460, of the Testimonies, we have these words: "Every one who connects himself with the church makes in that act a solemn vow to work for the interests of the church, and to hold that interest above every worldly consideration." Will God excuse us now if we hold back and fail to respond to the call at a time like this? In the mighty struggle of the nations of Europe it is a death penalty to refuse the call to arms. Will it be any less with us if we reject the call of God now? Again I read, on page 461: "Every one is to do to the very utmost of his ability. My brother, you endanger your own salvation if you hold back now."

About the time of the breaking out of the great war in Europe

President Wilson was asked to fill an engagement which he had previously made. In reply he said:

"When I made that promise, things were just beginning, and a great many things have happened since which have altered not only the aspect of our own affairs, but the aspect of the affairs of the world. . . . I simply feel that I have forfeited my liberty for the present, and that my nearest duty is the most obvious and imperative duty. I have been obliged to say this to all invitations, however tempting in character, . . . I really dare not let my thoughts go out to other matters. My thoughts are mortgaged beyond recall for the present." (Quoted by Elder Daniells in *Review and Herald* of Nov. 11, 1916.)

This is indeed a whole-souled surrender to a cause. Is it not possible that we can make such a surrender to the cause of truth as this? Never was there a time in the history of our work when we needed such a whole-hearted surrender to God and his work as now. Now, as never before, we need men and women who will go forth with the message-filled books and periodicals. The world is ready for the message. Men are seeking light on the passing events of today as never before. In all this we see the leading hand of God. Notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions in some parts of the State, our work has made a steady gain each month. Our greatest need is men, Spirit-filled men, with a life fully surrendered to God and his cause.

M. L. WILSON.

Kentucky Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.
East 4: 14 Friday, November 24 West 4: 45

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER

CONFERENCE CHURCH

J. P. Salmon

HENDERSON

Mrs. A. T. Bom

BEE SPRINGS

W. H. White

FORD

Genevieve Robert

BOWLING GREEN

T. L. Bryant

LOUISVILLE

Mrs. M. A. Ewald

Mrs. C. Heinig

Mrs. Anna Todd

Visiting the Brethren in Eastern Kentucky

Since my last report I have visited the believers at East Point, where I was entertained at the home of Lewis Ramey. Brother Hickman and I spent one day there and held a meeting in the Holiness church. Next morning Brethren Ramey and Hickman started out in the canvassing field, and I went to Offutt, where Brother J. H. Clark met me and took me out to his home about one mile away. Arrangements were made, and I spoke at the Baptist church to an attentive audience. At the close of this meeting the people begged me to remain for a week and hold meetings. I was sorry that other appointments compelled me to hasten on. I enjoyed meeting with

Brother and Sister Clark once more, as it has been some time since I had seen them. They were full of courage, and Brother Clark expects to be out soon selling the printed page again.

My next stop was at Ashland, where Brother Ratliff met me and took me to his home. We had a good day talking the truth. Arrangements had been made for me to speak at the Baptist church. There was a large congregation present who listened attentively to the message. I was urged to remain and hold a series of meetings in that place, but as I had an appointment at Covington for Sabbath I had to go on. I do wish that we had workers enough to answer some of these urgent calls. It made me sad to leave these different places where the people had never heard the message and yet were begging for it. I wish that all our people throughout the conference could see how anxious these poor souls are to learn the truth. I feel sure that it would cause all to be faithful in paying their tithe. Brethren, we must wake up and do our part in giving this message.

At Covington we had a good meeting, and I was glad to find some new believers attending the meetings. I found Elder White busy with the Harvest Ingathering papers. I next stopped at Louisville, and I found the brethren in both churches there of good courage. I attended the white church Sunday night and found a large congregation consisting mostly of people who were not Adventists. The members in this church have done well with the Harvest Ingathering papers. We hope to see the largest amount collected this year that has ever been in the history of the conference.

Let all the believers work faithfully until December 31.

B. W. BROWN.

Report from Louisville

Since camp-meeting I have been very busy giving the message to the people in this great city, and as a result of the blessing of the Lord our church membership has awakened and caught the spirit of service.

Our church school was opened on September 11, and M. Reichenbach has been doing good work, but because of iss number of pupils that she has in the school it would be much better if we could employ two teachers. Some of the brethren felt it would be impossible for us to support a church school this year and pay the note on our church debt, but I am glad to say the Lord has blessed us in raising the money so that we have been able to pay the teacher when her salary has been due. We have also raised more than \$250 since camp-meeting on the church debt.

The interest in the Sabbath school is increasing, and the attendance is much better than it was before the camp-meeting. Our Sunday-night meetings are progressing nicely, and the Lord is giving us an opportunity to give the message to the people who are anxious to learn the truth. Some have already begun the observance of the Sabbath, and others expect to do so soon.

We are planning to hold a series of meetings in the church in the near future, and I wish to urge all the readers of the WORKER to pray that the Lord will help us to gather out the faithful in this city.

Our Harvest Ingathering work is progressing nicely, and we hope to meet the goal set for us by the conference.

We have not a word of discouragement to offer, but believe that the work will soon be finished and then we can all go home.

C. E. ALLEN.

Old Territory

A colporteur working Lawrence County with "Bible Footlights" found a community where "Bible Readings" had previously been sold. As a result of the books sold there a call was made for a minister, and a company of about twenty was

raised up. Three of these brethren have been canvassing. Recently I was with one of them, and in thirty hours in a locality where "Bible Readings" was successfully sold two years ago we took \$114.25 worth of orders. We traveled seven miles and took more than twice as many orders as were secured two years ago. Brother Ramey was surprised, but the Lord can work and none can hinder. By faith we should lay hold of the promises of God, for he is able to help us. I have learned, especially this year, that our books can be sold successfully among the same people who have been canvassed for other books. Some student colporteurs last summer rarely missed a sale at the houses where three years ago I had worked with "Bible Footlights" and again two years ago with "Daniel and Revelation." Last Monday Brother Clark and I took \$53.50 worth of orders with one prospectus in a small town where another worker two years ago sold \$42 worth in one day.

I praise the Lord that although we are living in perilous times, yet we can sell the truth-filled books.

JAMES HICKMAN.

Louisiana Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 4: 52

Friday, November 24

West 5: 20

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER

CONFERENCE

Mrs. Roy Clevenger (Baton Rouge)

Mrs. J. W. Swimm (Rayville)

LAKE CHARLES

Mrs. J. T. Ezell (Fullerton)

NEW ORLEANS

Elder J. A. Morrow Mrs. V. Ordieres
Mrs. Emma L. Morrow Elder C. N. Sanders
Mrs. J. B. Collie Mrs. C. N. Sanders
Dr. A. K. Brown C. B. Caldwell

Mrs. J. P. Ulmer

NEW ORLEANS No. 2

A. F. Schemell Elder C. G. Manns
Lacotte Greene Alene Harrell
Lucy McDonald E. Z. Schemell
O. R. Grantham Mrs. Fred Cain
Alene Harrell Lou Ellen Smith

SHREVEPORT

Elder W. P. McLennan

WELSH

Mrs. C. A. Lantz

News Items

Mrs. Sanders is at present in the northern part of the State in the interest of the educational and young people's work.

Sister Lucile Williams, from Shreveport, reports that the fair was going on there and the town was full of people. She thought they ought to give some of their money to missions, so she went out Saturday night and brought back \$4.20.

Brother J. A. P. Green spent a short time in Crescent City prior to leaving for the Central American field.

Brother Charles F. Innis and family, returning from Guatemala on account of poor health, spent a short time in New Orleans, renewing acquaintances made two years ago when leaving for Cuba.

Elder C. N. Sanders is visiting the churches and companies in the southwestern part of the State in the interests of the work.

The splendid reports from the colporteurs coming in from week to week are very encouraging, and are clear evidences that the blessing of the Lord is resting upon this branch of the work.

Mississippi Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 4: 43

Friday, November 24

West 5: 09

Statement of the Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund for First Forty-four Weeks of 1917

CONFERENCE

Church	Tithe	Amt. Rec'd.	Per Wk.
Cedar Creek	\$ 35.78	\$ 13.42	\$.01 1/4
Conference	527.21	198.42	.19
Ellisville	165.39	31.38	.06 1/2
Hatley	125.28	17.87	.01 1/2
Jackson	698.51	241.11	.12
Meridian	278.12	203.27	.19 1/4
Pine Grove	53.83	41.20	.12
Vicksburg	63.40	19.87	.07 1/2
Hattiesburg Co.	27.25	12.88	
Stampley Co.		22.03	
Individuals	63.52	89.20	
Totals	\$2038.29	\$890.57	\$.11 1/4

MISSION

Brookhaven	\$ 110.54	\$ 31.11	\$.03 1/4
Columbus	11.15	7.90	.03
Ellisville00	23.65	.04 1/2
Greenville	150.78	51.54	.04 1/2
Hattiesburg	106.97	39.08	.07 1/2
Jackson	171.88	30.41	.02
Meridian	47.42	26.85	.05
Natchez	70.52	10.12	.01 1/4
Vicksburg	38.89	17.56	.01 1/4
Yazoo City	127.60	45.26	.05
Mission	122.16	28.15	.05
Individuals	38.05	40.64	
Hazelhurst Co.	16.22	6.78	
Greenwood Co.	13.53	34.20	
Totals	\$1025.78	\$393.25	\$.05 1/4

Total received in conference and mission \$1283.82.

The statement above shows the money that we have received up to November 1. The tithe we have received in the conference shows a decrease of \$77.31 over the same period of last year, while in the mission there is an increase of \$197.23.

You will notice that the total amount received for missions, in conference and mission, is \$1,283.82. We should raise by the first of the year \$3,122.60, or, in other words, in order to meet our quota for missions we will need to raise in the next two months \$1,838.78.

We have received \$109.82 on the Harvest Ingathering Campaign this year, and our goal is \$384. I hope that no one will stop until we have at least raised our share of the one hundred thousand dollars.

If your church has papers on hand, use them, and if you have none, write us and we will be glad to send you what you can use.

BEN C. MARSHALL, Secretary-Treasurer.

Tennessee River Conference

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 4:12

Friday, November 24

West 4:52

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll

GOAL \$5 PER MEMBER

NASHVILLE

W. A. Harvey	M. F. Knox
R. L. Pierce	F. C. Bruce
F. E. Pfeiffer	Mrs. F. E. Pfeiffer
J. L. McConaughy	H. A. Varney
Paul N. Pearce	

NASHVILLE No. 2

J. G. Dasent	Francis Taylor
Hattie Hyde	

JACKSON

Mrs. F. C. Hightower	Mrs. Ethel Holland
Mrs. Johnson	James Bellinger

SPRINGVILLE

Mrs. F. S. Parker

LANE

Mrs. I. M. Hamilton

PADUCAH

Mrs. I. C. Pound

MEMPHIS No. 2

Sydney Scott	Mrs. Fannie Scott
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News Items

Elder James Bellinger spent Sabbath, November 11, with the church at Memphis, Tenn., in the interests of the home missionary work. The Harvest Ingathering work was spoken of, and the brethren are hopeful of raising their goal for this fund.

Brother S. F. Love, formerly located at Madison, Tenn., has gone to Little Rock, Ark., and has connected with the sanitarium there. He writes that he is nicely located.

In a letter just received from Brother F. C. Varney, who recently went to Peru to connect with the Inca Union, he writes that he reached there safely and likes his work very much. He speaks of the difficulty of not being able to speak the language there, but is studying the native tongue and hopes to be able to master it in a short time.

Brother M. Wheeler, the field secretary, reached Nashville Friday morning, November 10, after a five weeks' trip to West Tennessee. He has just completed a number of deliveries of books, and reports good success with "Bible Readings" and the other books that he handled while on the road. He says that there is more money in the country now than there has been for some years.

Brother William J. Keele has just completed a very successful delivery at Woodland Mills, Tenn. He will return to Kenton, his headquarters in the field, within a few days.

Brother Barnes Broiles writes that he likes the school at Ooltewah, and when the vacation season rolls around he will take his prospectus and go to the field again. Brother Broiles earned nearly forty cents an hour for his time, counting his delivery.

The Nashville church has set its goal for the Harvest Ingathering at \$500, \$200 of which is to be raised by the young people's society, and \$300 by the church. The young people's society has passed the one hundred dollar mark already and will probably pass its goal and help the church some on its share. The sides into which the society was recently divided are working with a good will and are striving to do their best to secure the remaining one hundred dollars before the close of the year.

The trust funds received from the churches during the month of October were remitted to the union conference on the tenth, inst., a check being tendered for \$1,533. This is the largest remittance ever made by the Tennessee River Conference, and signifies that the Lord is blessing the field and that our people are taking hold of the work with determination.

Elder Videto spoke at the Fatherland Street Church Sabbath, November 11, and compared the power of nations with God's power, appealing to his audience to give to the Lord their best service and devote themselves to the finishing of the work.

Brother Pound writes that he recently baptized three persons in Paducah, and that the work there is progressing nicely.

Several new students are expecting to enter the Hazel School in the next few weeks. The outlook there is very encouraging, and the faculty are very busy. Brother Edison Pound, a brother to I. C. Pound, will enter the school in a few days.

Elder Elliott visited the company at Lawrenceburg recently and conducted a series of meetings with them. The attendance was not very large, but the interest was good, and as the result of the work there one new Sabbath-keeper is reported. Elder Elliott intends to return to Lawrenceburg in a few days to continue the meetings. We are glad for this good report.

Elder Dasent states that the colored believers in Nashville are manifesting a deep interest in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and it is expected that when the year is closed a number will be on the honor roll from this church. The church is carrying on an aggressive missionary campaign by the use of the Present Truth Series, and has used several thousand in the last few months.

Mr. Paul Stuyvesant is in Somerville, Tenn., making his delivery. He writes that he is having good success and expects to return to his work in a few days.

Brother R. H. Hazelton is in Pulaski, Tenn., making his delivery. He has recently been taking orders in Williamson County, and will return to this field in a few days.

Brother W. A. Gilbert is looking after some work here in the city, and will return to the field in a week or so.

Mr. F. C. Hightower, of Jackson, Tenn., is in Nashville on business.

Brother A. L. Hamm, formerly a canvasser in the Tennessee River Conference, has just completed a successful delivery in Mississippi and is having good success in that field.

Many items of real interest appear in the paragraph sections of the December *Watchman*. If you don't have the time to keep up with the leading current happenings during the month, get the gist of things in *The Watchman*. Subscribe for this magazine and keep posted on current topics and their relation to Bible prophecy.

"Time is exactly what we make it—in the hands of the wise a blessing; in the hands of the foolish, a curse; in the hands of the wise, a preparation for life eternal; in the hands of the foolish, a preparation for self-condemnation and irreparable loss. What is it in your hands?"

"There is the most striking indifference and neglect in regard to the great salvation. The careless must be awakened, else they are lost."

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending Nov. 11, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE						
Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
U Bracy	BF	39	25	\$37 50	\$ 60	\$38 10
Robt J Cook . . .	BF	55		1 55	1 55	7 50
R L Etheredge . .	BF	31	19	20 50	3 60	24 10
J E Foley	BR	41	1	3 00	70	3 70
D J Foster	CK	8	1	1 50	70	2 20
F M Reiber	BR	33	1	3 00		3 00
Q Tew	BR	22	3	11 00		11 00

Totals (Agts. 7). 229 50 \$76 50 \$7 15 \$83 65 \$179 00

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE						
Hatton Ford . . .	BF	31	51	\$52 00	\$ 1 68	\$53 68
B E Wagner . . .	BR	26	14	42 00		42 00
J O Wheeler . . .	BR	30	6	21 00	75	21 75
Andy Schroader .	BR	20			4 50	4 50
Jesse Miller . . .	D&R	40	3	9 00	24 75	33 75
A Grisham	BF	36	2	3 00	1 75	4 75
R F Hickman . . .	BR	45	16	49 00	11 00	60 00
Lewis Ramey . . .	BR	14	7	21 00		21 00
J H Clark	BF	39	76	117 00		117 00
Bibles				5 80		5 80

Totals (Agts. 9). 281 175 \$319 80 \$44 43 \$364 23 \$131 00

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE						
R R Coble	BR	40		\$	\$	\$133 00
John Harzman . .	PPF	30			1 20	1 20
T S Sligh	BR	10	3	11 00	8 50	19 50
A B Cheek	BR	19	3	9 00		9 00
Bibles						28 05

Totals (Agts. 4). 99 6 \$20 00 \$ 9 70 \$29 70 \$219 55

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE						
Elmer Chastain .	BR	18		\$	\$ 35	\$ 35
A L Hamm	D&R	24	21	75 00		75 00
Hattie Jacobs . .	HM	13			35	35
AA Johnson* . . .	HM, D&R	90			3 15	3 15
M A Murphy . . .	D&R, PPF	15			3 50	3 50
Virgil Smith . . .	BR, D&R	28			95	95
E A Taylor* . . .	BR	85			1 20	1 20
J L Waller	D&R	42				
Bibles					2 50	2 50

Totals (Agts. 8). 315 21 \$75 00 \$12 00 \$87 00 \$543 15

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE						
W J Keele	D&R	52			\$26 25	\$26 25
R H Hazelton . . .	GC	43				95 00
W D Wade	BR	5			1 00	1 00

Totals (Agts. 3). 100 \$27 25 \$27 25 \$368 00

G'd Totals (A. 31) 1024 252 \$491 30 \$100 53 \$591 83 \$1440 70

Summary from January 1 to Date				
Conference	Orders	Helps		Deliveries
Alabama Conference . .	\$ 9536 20	\$ 394 40	\$	3893 45
Kentucky Conference . .	15113 83	633 88		7860 45
Louisiana Conference . .	8751 30	115 15		5863 02
Mississippi Conference .	21390 52	1067 15		5479 85
Tenn. River Conference .	9828 70	754 44		3484 15

Totals \$64620 55 \$2965 02 \$26580 92

Magazine Agents' Report for Week Ending Nov. 12, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE			No.	Value
Agent				
U. Bracy			23	\$2 30

Report of the Colporteur Work in the Southern Union Conference for October, 1916

Conference	Agts.	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Bibles	Tot. Val.	Books	Delivered
Mississippi	19	1478	163	\$ 422 32	\$106 25	\$	\$ 528 57	1158	\$2922 45
Kentucky	14	1552	797	1714 00	73 25	35 60	1822 85	267	599 85
Alabama	13	1109	246	566 30	49 70		616 00		1526 85
Tennessee River	9	755	146	514 00	68 20	14 85	597 05	258	1104 55
Louisiana	11	1196	53	137 00	25 15	20 90	183 05	1189	4120 95

Totals 66 6090 1405 \$3353 62 \$322 55 \$71 35 \$3747 52 28 72 \$10274 65

Magazines 253 80

Total \$10528 45

COMPARATIVE REPORT			
Conference	Del. last Oct.	Gain	Loss
Mississippi	\$1591 90	\$1330 55	\$
Kentucky	716 95		117 10
Alabama	1192 50	334 35	
Tennessee River	809 95	294 60	
Louisiana	1234 00	2886 95	

Totals \$5545 30 \$4846 45 \$117 10

Less loss 117 10

Net Gain \$4729 35

MAGAZINES			
Conference	Number	Value	
Louisiana	234	\$ 23 40	

Alabama	563	47 90
Tennessee River	1000	100 00
Kentucky	825	82 50

Totals 2622 \$253 80

NOTE. Louisiana reports a splendid gain for October; in fact they have delivered more books during the month of October this year, by \$1,058.80, than they did during all the year 1915. Their report is as follows: Brother Coble delivered during the month \$878 worth, Brother Hubbell \$781 worth, Brother Hardy \$604 worth, Brother Schmehl \$593.80 worth, etc. Mississippi has also made a big gain in deliveries.

J. W. DAVIS, *Field Missionary Secretary.*

* Two weeks.

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News Items

Attention is called to a statement of the Harvest Ingathering work appearing in this paper. From this can be seen the General Conference goal for each of the conferences in our union, amounting in all to \$3,099, and the amount that has been raised to date by our people in each conference. We still have several weeks to work, and the full amount yet to be raised, \$2,117.74, should be easily secured. The receipts for the past month amount to \$611.15, of which the Louisiana Conference made the largest remittance, or \$193.62. This conference has also raised the largest amount to date for the year, as can be seen by the report. A total of 32,250 Harvest Ingathering papers have been shipped into our territory, and are being distributed, this union having exceeded its last year's record by over 2,000 papers.

Elder S. E. Wight left Nashville the morning of November 14 for Lexington, Ky., where he will spend a day or so in company with Elder Stephenson, Elder Brown, and Elder Scott.

Perhaps it will be of interest to our readers to know that for the month of October the total receipts for foreign missions in the Southern Union Conference amount to \$2,425.20. The individual conference amounts are as follows:

Alabama	\$ 324.11
Kentucky	269.92
Louisiana	436.59
Mississippi	227.35
Tennessee River	1167.23

The remittance from the Tennessee River Conference on all funds for the month of October amounted to \$1,533.98 being the largest remittance ever sent in by that conference.

Prof. Lynn H. Wood returned to the office at Nashville Thursday, November 16, from his trip into Alabama with the president, Elder A. L. Miller.

From the statistical report rendered by the secretary of the union conference at the recent committee meeting in Nashville, Tenn., we glean the following:

"Since January 1, 1914, a period of two years and nine months, to October 1 of the present year, there has been a net increase in membership in the Southern Union Conference of 987, with 16 new church organizations.

"In the first nine months of 1916, 254 persons have been baptized into the message.

"The total Sabbath school membership is 3,130, the donations

for nine months of 1916 being \$6,959.23, an increase of about \$300 over the same period of 1915.

"A comparison of book sales for the nine months' period of 1915 and 1916 shows an increase in the present year of \$7,-652.55. These figures are on the net sales from our tract society offices. The Louisiana Tract Society has sold more books in nine months of 1916 than in any full year of its history. The increase in book sales in the Mississippi Conference over last year is nearly \$5,000.

"The total amount of cash received for the Southern Junior College at Ooltewah is \$5,611.53."

Harvest Ingathering Report to Date

Conference	Goal	Paid	To Raise
Alabama	\$ 600.00	\$ 221.71	\$ 378.29
Kentucky	525.00	116.48	408.52
Louisiana	505.50	272.75	232.75
Mississippi	384.00	109.82	274.18
Tennessee River	1084.50	260.50	824.00

Totals \$3099.00 \$981.26 \$2117.74

G. H. CURTIS, Treasurer.

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The publishers and the editors have made important changes in the magazine that will greatly improve it in make-up and style. It is our desire and aim to make *The Watchman* second to no other magazine of its class. We want to make it a household name in every family. It will be better than ever during 1917. We are going to make it so interesting that its readers will never wish to be without it again.

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J. L. McCONAUGHEY, *Circulation Manager*.

Did you know that it was through the influence of Seventh-day Adventists down in Peru that that country granted religious liberty to its people? Do your friends and neighbors know about it? The December *Watchman* tells the story. It's a most interesting one, too. See that your neighbors receive a copy and read about it.