

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

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Snow-Bound Sheep

Many the sheep who're lost today Out in the blinding storm,
Far from the Shepherd's fold away,— Blind to the Shepherd's form.
Yet, of the ones he died to win Still do they form a part,— Blinded by storms and lost in sin, But dear to the Shepherd's heart. Denser than storm of snow or sleet,— Bitter, the storms of life;
Hiding the path from the wearied feet, Piercing as sharpened knife.
Oh, what a way to start the year,— Wandering — cold — and lost!
Who would not show the shelter near And save them, whate'er the cost?

All whom the Shepherd sought and fonud, These would he have to go,
Helping the wandering sheep snow-bound. And would you a secret know?—
Seeking the lost for his dear sake, Giving them hope anew,
Swelling the angel's joy, will make A happy New Year for you. —Pearl Waggoner-Howard.

What Hath God Wrought

The North American Division Conference gave this union the following goal for the young people's work for the year 1916:

Conversions72Standard of Att. Certificates 36Bible Year72Reading Course Certificates108Money for Missions\$1,097.

At the end of the third quarter we had done very little on this goal. The attention of the young people throughout the union was turned on other objects during the year, and we faced the fourth quarter with practically the year's work in this line to be done Our record at the ... beginning of the fourth quarter stood as follows: Conversions 108 Standard of Att. Certificates 21. Bible Year · · · · ?



Reading Course Certificates 32

Mission Offerings \$159.47

But all the young people in the union started in with the desire to reach the goal, and with faith in God they pushed forward, until now the incomplete returns up to Christmas show that the union will in all probability come out in every single point. It is now out on mission offerings, the part we were fearing the most. Also it is out in the number of conversions and the Bible Year, and the reports coming in show that the Standard of Attainment and Reading Course certificates will

> also be complete before the close of the year. Certainly we could not have done this of our own selves, but God has greatly blessed us. Definite reports will come out in two or three weeks, or as soon as they come in from the conferences, but I know that all our young people will be anxious to hear that is it now practically certain that the union will reach the goal in every point. Let us thank God for what has been done this quarter and resolve never again to wait until the last quarter of the year to do a whole year's work.

There has been a large chart printed which will total the

amount of work done by each society from week to week. This chart is shown in the accompanying cut, and is 42 by 56 inches in size and can be easily read from any part of the church. The cost of these charts will be 10 cents each, postpaid. I am hoping that each and every society will order one of these charts from the tract society to register the amount of work done each week. It will make it so much easier to make out the report at the end of the quarter, and will also be a stimulus to greater activity in order to see the work grow. This chart has been tried in several societies and has proved a great success.

Following is the 1917 Young People's Missionary Volunteer goal for the Southern Union Conference by conferences:

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER GOAL 1917

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Junior					—		<u> </u>
Kentucky							
Senior	86	6	17	14	22	90	225.00
Junior	18	1	4	3	5	20	25.00
LOUISIANA							
Senior	50	5	10	10	15	55	$192 \ 00$
Junior	—				—		<u> </u>
MISSISSIPPI							
Senior	14	2	3	3	5	15	45.00
Junior	16	2	3	3	5	18	25.00
TENNESSEE RIVER							
Senior	167	14	33	27	$\underline{43}$	175	500.00
Junior						—	
Southern Union							
Senior	437	39	93	78	121	460	1312.00
Junior	34	4	7	6	10	38	50.00
Totals	471	43	100	8 <u>4</u>	131	498	\$1362.00

I know all will be interested in clippings from some of the letters received from the secretaries. Brother Wright, from Alabama, says, "This is to tell you I believe we are sure on every point of our goal. I feel like throwing up my hat and yelling, Hurrah! I certainly do hope that the union as a whole will come out."

From Elder Brown comes the word, "Now I have good news to tell you. Without having the December report from our churches, we have now raised \$202 on the young people's goal, so you can count us out on the entire goal for this year, and I feel sure by the Lord's help we will be able to reach the goal that has been set for us for 1917." Kentucky was to have raised only \$173, so they have gone about thirty dollars beyond their goal.

Mississippi's goal for the year in mission offerings was \$36, and Sister Burke writes, "We have at present \$91.50, and also have the names of twelve who finished reading their Bibles through, so I know we are out on the entire goal. I hope the union comes out as a whole. The 1917 goal for this State is all right."

From Louisiana comes the word from Mrs. Sanders, "My hopes are centered on the Harvest Ingathering. I know of something like \$25 that will be turned in on that, and I would not be surprised if it would be twice that when the reports are in, so I feel we will make our goal. Then three of us are going to take the Standard of Attainment this week, and if we make it, that will give us our share of certificates. I have sent out letters to all our Bible Course members, and I hope for a good report on that line."

Tennessee has issued forty-one Reading Course certificates this last quarter, and their goal was only thirty-six. The Standard of Attainment will easily be out, as also the mission offerings.

Let us thank the Lord for this good report, and press forward with earnest hearts, realizing that the money we have given to the cause this year will mean many souls in the kingdom.

LYNN H. WOOD.

A Morning Watch Calendar for every Seventh-day Adventist in the Southern Union Conference.

News Notes from Collegedale

Prof. and Mrs. A. E. Cochran, from Marietta, Ga., are visiting at the home of Professor and Mrs. Adams this week. Mr. Cochran will tune the pianos of the college while he is here.

The faculty voted to discontinue school on Monday, the twenty-fifth of December. This was all the vacation that could be given for the holidays. A number of the students left the school to spend the vacation at their homes.

- Professor Marshall has just about completed the erection of the poultry fencing and the colony houses, which he expects to use for his breeding pens. He informs us that he has several fine cockerals for sale. These birds have been scored by a professional judge.

The books in the library are being put on the shelves, and the room is being cleaned up for a combination library and principal's office. The "Doll's House," which has served as principal's office for Professor Thiel, will be converted into a studio for the music department.

Miss Alsie Gray and Miss Masie White spent the holidays at their homes in Nashville, Tenn.

Miss Ella Mae Curtis visited her mother in Chattanooga over Sabbath and Sunday.

Saturday night the students had a pleasant time in the chapel, where games of various kinds were played. An interesting feature of the evening was a geography contest conducted by Professor Marshall.

Sunday night Professor Adams and his students in music gave a very interesting program to an attentive audience in the chapel. Just before the musical program Mrs. Thorne entertained the girls in the dining room. Mrs. Marshall at the same time entertained the boys at Pine View. We were glad to see in the audience at the musical recital quite a number of outsiders. There were several present from Ooltewah and vicinity who expressed themselves as being very well pleased with the program. Prof. A. E. Cochran, of Marietta, Ga., assisted in the program, and his selections on the mandolin and violin were very much appreciated.

Prof. M. L. Kelly, of Berrien Springs, Mich., who is head of the commercial department at Emmanuel Missionary College, visited the Southern Junior College between trains last Sunday. He expressed himself as being very well pleased with the location of the school, and said that he could see no reason for the college not developing into one of the strong educational institutions among our people.

Elders W. H. Branson and B. M. Heald stopped for a short time with the students and teachers of the Southern Junior College on Christmas Day. They were en route to Knoxville, Tenn., to attend the church elders' meeting then in session.

The tent house for Professor Atteberry has been completed, and he and Mrs. Atteberry are now comfortably located for the winter.

Elder Field moved into his cottage last Sunday and is now in permanent quarters. It is a great relief to the teachers and students to know that every one at last is permanently located and is fairly comfortable should cold weather come.

Work is being done on the new bakery. It will be located in a tent house between the "Doll's House" and the Business Office. The bakery will materially relieve the congestion in the kitchen and will be an improvement very much appreciated

A returned missionary said that twenty-five years ago he decided to observe the Morning Watch, and in looking back over his life he regarded it as the most important decision he had made during the last quarter of a century. He considered his faithful observance of the Morning Watch one of the chief secrets of the success he had enjoyed in the mission field. Ŷ

Alabama Conference

Goal \$5.00 per member

Conference Birmingham

Elder R. I. Keate	Mrs. H. M. Keate
Mrs. H. M. Newsome	Mrs. Elford
-	Mrs. T. J. Hoskins
Mrs. W. McClure Miss Vinnie Goodner	Mrs. W. B. Garrigan
M. L. Wilson	Mrs. Joiner Elder A. L. Miller
Mrs. Hawkinson	
Mrs. E. E. Spencer	Mattie Goodner
Mrs. A. C. Helms	Sarah V. Parker
Mrs. P. G. White	Mrs. J. L. Kelly
Mrs. C. C. Hunt	Mrs. Belle Ash
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Elder J. F. Wright	J. F. Dennis
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Mrs. Mollie Miller	H. G. Miller
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Mrs. W. R. Tolman	Mrs. E. W. Graves
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Mrs. C. E. Kelly	J. H. Reams
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Mrs. Sarah Fowler	C.P. Odell
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Mrs. C. E. Kelly	-
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Mrs. Fred Mills	L. Frazier
Matilda Matthews	Jennie Morgan
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Prof. C. J. Boyd	Elder Bird
C. A. Blackwood	
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The hour of prayer should not be neglected for any consideration. Do not talk and amuse yourself till all are too weary to enjoy the season of devotion. To do this is to present to God a lame offering. At an early hour of the evening, when we can pray unhurriedly and understandingly, we should present our supplications and raise our voices in happy, grateful praise. -Mrs. E. G. White.

News Items

A very encouraging letter is received from Sister L. E. Hamilton, formerly Miss Maude Rainwater, of Borden Springs. She writes from Miami, Fla., sending in tithe.

A very interesting letter has been received from the president of an industrial college in Alabama, which is as follows:

"Dear Sir: Rev. T. B. Buckner, of the Mission Department of your Alabama Conference, preached for us a few Sundays ago. We are always glad to have Rev. Buckner with us. He will never take any pay from us for his most interesting expositions of truth. He is always helping, but will never let us help him personally. He left some little papers with us called Harvest Ingathering *Signs*. I believe it would be a good idea to have a few of these papers to distribute among our upper grade students. Please send me thirty copies of this paper, for which I am enclosing my check for \$3.

"Perhaps other ways will open up by which we can add our mite to your good work and that of Elder Buckner. We should be glad to be on your regular mailing list at your regular price."

This shows how the Lord is working through the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. We shall be glad to hear of other experiences from those taking part.

A Visit in Northern Alabama

Leaving Birmingham December 13 in company with Elder Miller, I made a short visit through the northern part of the State in behalf of the colporteur work. It was very encouraging to us to meet with a hearty response on the part of the people, and a number have answered the call to go into the vineyard and seek for the lost. We found the Huntsville colored church up and about the Father's business, and willing that some of their number should go out on the firing line and make conquest of new territory. Brethren G. W. Powers and W. E. Adair entered their names on the recruiting list and plan to attend the colporteurs' institute to be held March 5-15.

Our next stop was with the Oakwood School, and it was an inspiration to see the large number of students in attendance preparing themselves to go out into the great harvest field to gather in souls for Christ. God has wonderfully blessed the Oakwood School the past year, and with such a company of young people consecrated to the Lord, there is no limit to what can be done toward the finishing of the work. The meeting held in the chapel Thursday night with the students was marked in a special way by a spirit of consecration and ready response to the call of God to the work. A number of the students are planning to enter the colporteur work during the summer vacation.

Sabbath, the sixteenth, we were with the Elkwood church, and enjoyed some excellent meetings there. In a special way the Lord came into the Sabbath service, and hearts were touched and new consecrations made. We will get one colporteur from this church, and have bright prospects for others. Brother J. J. Miller has a nice home he wishes to sell to make it possible for him to enter the work. If there are any wishing to buy a desirable home, they should correspond with Brother Miller, Elkwood, Ala.

We are very anxious to get in touch with any who feel impressed to enter this great work and wish to attend the institutes this winter. The institute for the white coloreturs will be held February 16 to 25, and the one for the colored workers will be from March 5 to 15. It is not definitely decided just where these meetings will be held, but further notice will be given in ample time for you to attend. Pray, plan, and work for these meetings, and ask the Lord if he would not have you enter the colporteur work for 1917. M. L. WILSON.

SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

4 Kentucky Conference ***** Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER CONFERENCE CHURCH Rose L. Lindsey Mrs. O. A. Dow J. P. Salmon HENDERSON Mrs. A. T. Bom BEE SPRINGS W. H. White FORD Genevieve Robert R. W. Harris BOWLING GREEN Mrs. B. W. Brown B. W. Brown James Hickman Mrs. T. A. Potter Jesse Miller T. L. Bryant LOCKPORT C. L. Hornung DAVISVILLE Mary Ramey Lytha Ramey Halah Ramey LOUISVILLE Mrs. M. A. Ewald Mrs. C. Heinig Mrs. S. D. Bossing Miss Anna Hornung Mrs. Caroline Hornung Mrs. Anna Todd C. E. Allen LOUISVILLE CHESTNUT ST. J. H. Lawrence Sister Williams LEXINGTON Mrs. R. Eason Mrs. H. Steele Mrs. T. O. Bivin TRI CITY F. F. Harrison Lucy White Mrs. Lee Page Garnet Webster W. H. White OWENSBORO (Colored) William Winston Mrs. William Winston GROVE H. U. Jacobs Dollie Jacobs Dora Shoemaker SAND HILL Verna Beck Anna Beck FORD C. W. Vermillion Pearl Vermillion FIFTY DOLLAR LIST Elder O. A. Dow Elder W. H. White ********************** Visiting the Churches and Schools

Since my last report I have held meetings with several churches. At Bowling Green I spent one week, and the Lord came near as we sought him for victory over sin. There was a determination expressed by the people to surrender all to the Lord, and six young people united with the church by baptism.

I next went to Henderson and found the brethren of good courage. They were determined to raise their full quota for missions. I visited the church school and was pleased to see the children being taught the truth. Sister Wagner, the teacher, is doing good work and has the confidence of the people.

Owensboro was the next stop. I was pleased to meet the new company of believers in that place. Brother William Winston and his wife have worked hard to give the message to the colored people of that city. Those who have accepted the truth are of the better class of people, and I feel sure that the time will soon come when we will have a strong church there.

I next went to Hartford, where arrangements had been made for me to speak at the Red Hill Union Church. I was pleased to find a good company of people gathered to hear the message. I spoke three times at this church, and the people gave me a very urgent invitation to return and hold a series of meetings. The church members at Hartford were in need of counsel and encouragement. I visited the church school and found the children doing good work. Miss Wolfe, the teacher, was very anxious to see all her pupils converted.

My next meeting was with the Ford church. Although the weather was cold and a heavy snow covered the ground, yet nearly all the members attended the meetings. It was quite clear that the enemy had been at work to destroy souls, but we were glad to see the power of God come in and give courage to each member. The yearly quarterly meeting was held, and church officers were elected to serve the coming year. Brother D. R. Allman and his daughter, from Richmond, Ky., attended the meeting. I was much encouraged as I visited the school and saw the progress that each pupil had made. Sister Robert, the teacher, has done good work, and a good spirit prevails in the school.

C. W. Vermillion drove across with me twenty-five miles through the country to the home of Brother S. G. Sharp. Brother and Sister Sharp paid in a good sum of money on the twentycent-a-week fund, which was very gratefully received. We enjoyed our visit with them very much, and as we left it was with the hope that soon all of God's people may meet in the B. W. BROWN. new earth.

News Items

Sister Sarah Leet, of Campbellsville, sends in an encouraging letter and orders The Watchman Magazine for one year.

Brother Ison Skaggs, who has been doing missionary work in the eastern part of the State, writes that he hopes to have a minister to assist him in the near future.

Elder O. A. Dow reports an addition of two members to the Lexington church.

Brother C. W. Vermillion writes that the school is progressing nicely at Ford, and they are working hard with the Harvest Ingathering papers.

Brother Richard Green, of Nebo, sends in a remittance and orders the Signs of the Times for one year.

Mrs. Chas. E. Allen is visiting her relatives in Indiana.

Sister Mary Taylor, of the Lexington church, writes an encouraging letter and sends in a remittance for tracts to be used in that church.

Brother J. P. Salmon, of Livia, sends in a letter full of courage and reports over ten dollars for Harvest Ingathering.

Brother Chas. E. Allen, of Louisville, reports the work going forward in that church and says he is expecting a large offering for the thirteenth Sabbath.

Mrs. Fannie Holtzclaw writes of her experience with the Harvest Ingathering papers and states that she is expecting to do more along this line another year.

Brother B. E. Wagner writes a letter telling of his experience in the Lord's work at Henderson. He states that the Lord has blessed him with a good delivery, also that his wife is enjoying her school work.

Sister Schomburg, of the Louisville church, writes that their annual offering was not as large as thay had hoped to receive, but they are planning to increase it by personal visits to the homes of the people.

Louisiana Conference

Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll GOAL \$5.00 PER MEMBER

CONFERENCE Mrs. Roy Clevenger (Baton Rouge) Mrs. J. W. Swimm (Rayville) Mrs. G. B. Richardson

LAKE CHARLES

Mrs. J. T. Ezell Elder O. F. Frank

NEW ORLEANS

Mrs. V. Ordieres
Elder C. N. Sanders
Mrs. C. N. Sanders
C. B. Caldwell
Mrs. Fred Cain
Mrs. C. L. Ulmer
Mrs. E. J. Bailey

HAMMOND

Mrs. Elma B. Hewitt

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	A. F. Schemell	E. Z. Schemell
	Lucile C. Williams	Bonnett Nealy
	Alene Harrell	Lou Ellen Smith
	Elder C. G. Manns	Fanny Leary
	Lola Washington	John Leary
	SHREVE	PORT
	Elder W. P. McLennan	T. S. Sligh
	Mrs. Winnie Miller	Mrs. W. P. McLennan.
•	Mrs. Ruth Mann	Viola Mann
	Mrs. Bethel Mann-Lewis	Mrs. A. H. Kelly
	Mrs. J. V. Coston	Sadie Klindt
	Ruby Ro	ach
	SHREVEPOR'	r No. 2
	Lacotte Greene	Lucy McDonald
	A. R. Bell	Mary R. Roberts
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#### News Items

Elder S. E. Wight made a much appreciated visit at Crescent City last week. While there he spoke at both churches. Elder Sydney Scott recently visited this city, and Sunday night spoke to a very attentive congregation at the New Orleans church No. 2.

On December 17 Elder J. B. Stuyvesant passed through New Orleans on his way from Guatemala to the Northern States.

As the French-speaking worker who was expected to take up work in this State is laying other plans, the release of Elder McLennan to accept the call from the Alabama Conference has been withdrawn, and his effort in Shreveport will be continued.

The large number of renewal subscriptions to our papers coming in on every mail indicate the appreciation our people . have of our good literature.

# Mississippi Conference

#### ****** Harvest Ingathering Honor Roll \$25 GOAL JACKSON Henry Balsbaugh CONFERENCE Mrs. J. N. McLeod \$5 GOAL **JACKSON** Mrs. Ida Harrell Mrs. Henry Balsbaugh MERIDIAN A. H. Friberg Mrs. A. H. Friberg CONFERENCE Mrs. C. R. Welch Marietta Menees HATTIESBURG (Colored) H. M. V. Halloway M. Miller ******************

#### Visiting the Churches

The work in Mississippi is onward, and God is giving success. After our good tent effort at Laurel, I started out to visit the churches and c mpanies in he State in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering and other lines of work, and the Lord blessed in the meetings that were held. We have visited Meridian, Jackson, Vicksburg, Stampley, Foster, Natchez, Enid, Ecrue, Gulfport, Biloxi, Amory, Hattley, Shuqualak, Brooksville, Quitman, and Ellisville. At Stamply I baptized seven dear people, and the interest was such there that I had to make a return visit and hold some meetings with them, which I did the first of December. The work at Stamply was started by Brother Stewart, one of our brethren at Washington, Miss. He went over and held some meetings with the people, visited with them, and gave out tracts and papers, until now we have a nice company of Sabbath-keepers there.

It is quite possible that others of our lay members could do some of this kind of work and get an interest started. It is a pleasure to visit a church where all are working and doing what they can to hold up the light of truth. I had good meetings with the other companies that I visited. The Lord is blessing the people in Mississippi, and although the times are hard and crops are poor, yet our people are of good courage. Our new president, when he comes, will receive a hearty welcome from the brethren and sisters in the Mississippi Conference. Elder Buhalts, who is to be president of this conference, is a fine Christian man, a man of good judgment and high principles, and I know the brethren and sisters will be pleased with him. He will be at our colporteurs' institute to be held in January at Jackson. You who have decided to go into the colporteur work come to this meeting and get acquainted.

R. E. BURKE.

"Not how much you do, not altogether how well you do it, not entirely who sees you do it, but what motive prompts you, and the spirit in which you view it after it is done, will be weighed in the judgment. The most valiant deeds, if tainted with self will be counted as loss, and no reward can be granted. Let a man examine himself as to how he works, and see that nothing is done from a selfish aim. Better not do a thing than to do it from selfish motives."

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### Tennessee River Conference

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Harvest Ingath	ering Honor Roll
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F. E. Pfeiffer	F. C. Bruce
J. L. McConaughey	Mrs. F. E. Pfeiffer
Paul N. Pearce	Mrs. Bessie McAlexander
Virginia Ritchey L. H. Wood	Clarence Stagg
	G. H. Curtis Lenna Simkin
Mrs. L. H. Wood	Mrs. J. G. Haggard
Elder W. R. Elliott	Mrs. Chas. P. Johnson
Mary M. Day	Alice Beaird
O. L. Denslow	Mrs. W. F. Alexander
Mrs. B. A. Knox	Annie Adams
Mrs. Mamie Jones	Mrs. J. P. Foree
Mrs. M. A. Farnsworth	
Leta Wight	Alice Pierce
Hazel Wood Allie Webster	Margaret Phillips Lolita Smith
Mrs. H. A. Varney	Gertie Honeycutt
Edith White	E. A. Lampman
Mrs. E. F. Jeys	R. C. Gray
	LLE No. 2
J. G. Dasent	Francis Taylor Mrs. C. E. Dasent
Hattie Hyde Robert Nelson	Mrs. C. E. Dasent Mrs. Mary Ward
	J. F. Herron
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Mrs. F. C. Hightower	
Mrs. Johnson	James Bellinger
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Springville	LANE
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Mrs. I. C. Pound	Mrs. T. S. Gordon
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TREZEVANT Mrs. A. H. Jones	Bon Aqua Elder C. N. Martin
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Sydney Scott	Mrs. Fannie Scott
	HAZEL
Mrs. J. R. Kennedy	Claire Davis
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G. H. Curtis	H. A. Varney

#### Hazel

It was a great pleasure for me to spend the week of prayer with the Hazel Academy and church. The first Sabbath the students and church members all met together at the church for the first reading. The Lord came very near in this service and gave us a blessing. Nearly every one came forward and bowed in prayer before the Lord, consecrating themselves to God. During the week we held the readings with the students at the chapel hour and with the church in the evening. Friday night, the eighth, we had planned a meeting for all at the church, but the weather would not permit, so at the beginning of the holy Sabbath the students and teachers all gathered in the parlor for the reading and prayer, and while it was stormy without there was joy and sunshine within.

As we raised our voices in songs of praise to the Lord the room seemed to be hallowed by his Holy Spirit. The reading by Elder Spicer, in which the earnest appeals came for help from those poor benighted souls in heathen darkness, touched our hearts, and at the close of the reading the time was given to a testimony meeting in which we called for a full surrender to God for service. Every teacher and student responded.

The last Sabbath was beautiful, and we all met for worship at the church. Here the Spirit came and met with us, and here again a reconsecration of all was made to God. I can say that the week of prayer brought a great blessing to me, and this was the testimony of all the students and church members.

May the lessons learned and the blessings received go with the dear young people through the new year and through life. The annual offering amounted to \$13.45.

From Hazel I came to Hustburg to hold a few days' meetings. We had a good service last night (Sunday), with about fifty present. Pray for us. JAMES BELLINGER.

#### From a Former Worker

I am glad to say to you that my courage was never better in the third angel's message than it is at the present time. My health is better than it has been for the last two years except that I fell last summer and injured one of my feet which has never fully recovered. I find plenty to do here as pastor of the church. We have a good intermediate school with Burlie Lowry and wife as teachers. I have not been doing any field work for the last two years, but I am planning on entering the evangelical work next summer if the Lord wills.

I love all the brethren and sisters in the good old Southern Union Conference, and as I think of the many places where I have preached the message, how thankful I would be if I could have the privilege of visiting you all again. The SOUTHERN UNION WORKER is a regular visitor at our home, and I assure you it is read with interest. We love to read of the progress of the work there.

May the Lord bless and keep you all faithful a little longer, and the work will all be done and the Lord will come. Then we will all meet again where there will be no more separation. W. S. LOWRY.

As I have been asked for a statement about my Harvest Ingathering work, I thought I would write something of my work for the encouragement of others.

I set my goal at \$25, and I have gone above that mark. I gave away about fifteen papers, and twenty-five cents was the smallest donation I received, and that was from John, the Chinaman who comes after the laundry. Then our dry goods merchant, grocery man, hardware man, and others that I deal with, all donated. I had no trouble at all, and did enjoy the work very much. Mrs. F. C. HIGHTOWER.

Jackson, Tenn.

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#### Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending Dec. 16, 1916

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G W Brown BR									85	00	J H Clark .
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E A Taylor [*] BR	80								194		Mrs. F. T.
J L Waller D&R	45					60		60		00	Mrs. A. H.
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#### When to Plan Large

Mr. Moody, on the last day of his life, was listening to passages from the Bible as they were read to him by one of his sympathetic friends. At last he asked that the Bible be laid beside him, and he wrote on the margin of it: "If God be your partner, make your plans large." The trouble with the most of us is that we do not make our plans in life large enough. Why do we not enlarge the horizon of our life and in truth let God be our partner? When we have done this we can say with confidence, "Nothing is too hard for God."

"A wise man ought to hope for the best, be prepared for the worst, and bear with equanimity whatever may happen."

* Two weeks. † Three weeks. ‡ Six weeks.

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B E Wagner [*] BR	67	10	\$3 i	00	\$		\$36	00	\$94	00	
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Felia Pierce BR	14	4	12	00			12	00	30	00	
A Schroader*BR	80	1	3	00	17	25	20	25	279	00	
J H ClarkBF	77								194	50	
R F Hickman BR	51	45	140	00	1	00	141	00			
J Miller D&R	65				53	00	53	00	172	00	
F L HarrisonBR	75						٠		277	00	
Alex Perry BR									96	00	
J Hickman BR	14	11	33	00	2	25	35	25	13	00	
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Mrs. F. T. Sevier [‡]	1743	<b>\$174</b> 30
Mrs. A. H. Kelly	589	58 90
Sadie Klindt	199	19  90
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#### 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.

Order your Morning Watch Calendars from the tract society. Five cents each. Stamps will be accepted for one or a few, but why not speak to others and send in a large order.

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#### News Items

Elder J. B. Stuyvesant, wife, and daughter Ethel spent Thursday afternoon, December 21, in Nashville visiting the Publishing House, etc., en route to Fountain Head, Tenn., where they are to spend a few days with their son, who is teaching in the school of Brother Wallen. Brother Stuyvesant is a minister from Guatemala. He arrived at New Orleans Monday morning, December 18. He expects to be here for a few months on furlough to regain his health, and then return to his field of labor where he has been engaged so long. He brings a good report from his field and is of good courage.

We have just received word from the Southern Junior College that the request that the flag stop, Thatcher, at the school be called Collegedale has been granted by the Southern Railway Company and will be effective after February 15.

Elder S. E. Wight, Prof. Lynn H. Wood, Elder O. L. Denslow, Brethren F. C. Bruce, and M. Wheeler, and Miss Annie Adams left Nashville Sunday, December 24, for Hazel, Ky., to attend the elders' meeting in session there from December 22 to 29.

The Missionary Volunteer Department is printing a junior and senior Bible Year insert for Bibles, which will be distributed free of charge the very first part of the year. Let the different churches and societies send in orders through their tract societies for these inserts.

#### **Publishing Convention**

A Publishing and Home Missionary Convention for the territory of the Southern Publishing Association is to be held at the home office of the Association, at Nashville, Tenn., January 12 to 21. At this convention it is expected that both the union and local conference presidents, field secretaries, home missionary secretaries, and tract society secretaries in the Southeastern, Southern, and Southwestern Unions will be present. From Washington, it is understood that the following will be in attendance: Elders I. H. Evans, G. B. Thompson, W. W. Eastman, F. W. Paap, and Meade MacGuire, and Miss E. M. Graham. The first session of the convention is scheduled to open at 9:00 A. M., Jan. 12, 1917, at which all the delegates are requested to be present. A full delegation is expected from each local and union conference.

#### Atlanta Dairy Farm for Sale at a Bargain

There has been donated to the Southern Junior College, our new central training school for the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences, a good dairy farm in the edge of Atlanta, Ga. This farm is to be sold and the proceeds used in building up the new school. The farm is described as follows: twentytwo and one-half acres, twelve acres of which are good bottom land, about five acres up-land in small grain, and the rest in beautiful pine grove. Good three-room house, barn, well, splendid stream of running water. Twenty-minute walk to car line, church school, and Curtis Sanitarium. A most healthful location. Just the thing for a family desiring to have church and church school privileges and yet live in the country. Suitable for dairy or general farming. Price \$4,850. Every dollar goes to the school. The money is needed now. Write the Southeastern Union Conference, 169 Brvan St., Atlanta, Ga., for particulars. W. H. BRANSON.

#### A Prayer

O Lord, take thou our hand And guide us through the unknown land Of this New Year.

And help us to forget The grudge and folly, doubt and fret, And crushing fear.

But give in place a song And love and power and faith most strong. Oh, be thou near.

May health, true wealth, success, Be also blessings with the rest, For the New Year.

-W. A. Rex.

#### An Important Decision

The supreme court of the State of Oklahoma has recently handed down a decision in the case of J. G. Kreiger et al. vs. the State of Oklahoma. This was the case which our brethren, convicted in the lower courts for merchandising on Sunday, appealed.

This decision reversed the findings of the lower court, and grants religious liberty to our people. This is the first State supreme court decision favorable to Sabbatarians.

The decision of the Oklahoma supreme court with arguments of attorneys before the court, is given in the first quarter issue of *Liberty* for 1917. Also in this number is a write-up of the campaign in Oregon in which the electorate of the State wiped the blue laws from the statute books.

This issue of *Liberty* is one of the best educational numbers ever issued. It would be well if it were placed in the hands of every leading man in any community, that, these men may know the principles involved in this kind of legislation, and that there is a case on record granting religious freedom to our people.

Prices of *Liberty* remain unchanged. Quantity rates, 5 to 40 copies, 5 cents each; 50 or more copies, 4 cents each. Copies will be mailed to lists of names, in single wrappers, for 5 cents each. All orders should be sent to your conference tract society. Now is the time to act. Never before have our people had the opportunity of circulating literature containing matter so favorable for religious liberty.

Being all fashioned from the selfsame dust, Let us be mericful as well as just.—Longfellow.