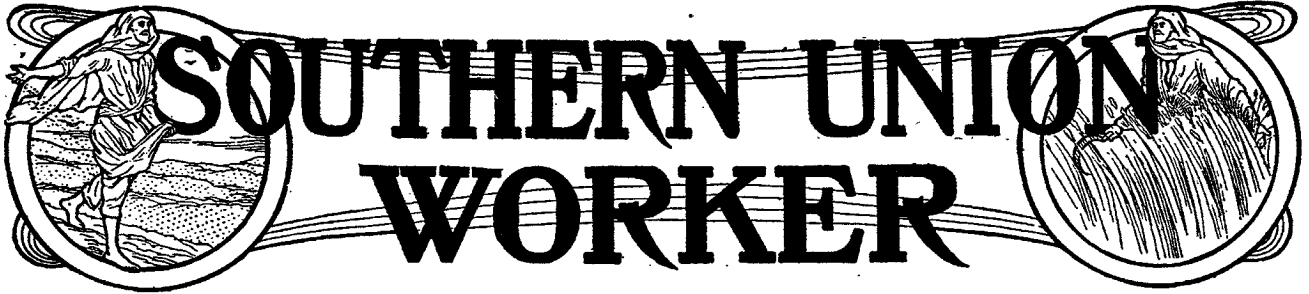


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"WIN ONE"



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

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Everybody's Asking It!
?? WHAT ??

Where's the picture of the
NEW DORMITORY?

Haven't seen it for four weeks, have you?

KNOW WHY?

We're waiting to get your report.

How many Albums did you fill?

How many WATCHMAN did you sell?

How many "Christ's Object Lessons" have you disposed of?

The picture comes out

**TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY
THE WAY IT WILL LOOK DEPENDS ON YOU!**

Be sure your church reports promptly on May 27.

Send your money to the Conference Treasurer.

Send your report to the Union Home Missionary Secretary.

Do It Now!

The Reading Courses for 1917-18

Those who have read the books in the young people's Reading Courses in the past will be very much interested to notice the list of new books that are ready for our Reading Courses this next year.

Inasmuch as this is the quadricentennial of the nailing of Luther's theses on the doors of the Wittenberg Cathedral, every one felt we ought to read something of Luther's experiences. Therefore we have chosen a book on his life that will be intensely interesting to all our people, young and old.

As never before we must get in touch with people of means, for they are becoming interested in this message, hunting all the time to find something that will bring them peace. A great many people feel hesitant about going to men and women of means, as they feel they do not know how to conduct themselves in society. Sister Chase, the editor of the *Youth's Instructor*, has spent many months in this study and has issued a little book called "Good Form and Social Ethics," which will be of great assistance to all our people, no matter whether they wish to use it as a textbook or merely to inform themselves of the proper forms of social life.

The new book "Life Sketches of Ellen G. White" has just been published, and we know every one will be very much interested in reading it, thus gaining a little wider knowledge of the servant of the Lord as she worked here among us for many, many years.

The fourth book in the Senior Course tells of experiences among the Arabs, a people hard to reach with the gospel message. As we must go to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, it is well that we know something about the experiences of these people and thus enable ourselves to devise the best means of reaching them.

For the Junior Course we have also selected a book on Luther. So many enjoyed thoroughly the "Advance Guard of Missions," that another book descriptive of the heroism of missionary life was chosen.

As a nature book, we are sure all will be glad that we have chosen Professor Bralliar's book, "Elo the Eagle." "Topsy Turvy Land" makes a very interesting fourth number of the Junior set.

The prices of these books are as follows:

SENIOR COURSE	
"Luther the Leader"	\$.50
"Good Form and Social Ethics"75
"Life Sketches of Ellen G. White"	1.00
"Ventures Among the Arabs"	1.00

Total	\$3.25
Club Price	\$2.75

JUNIOR COURSE	
"Martin of Mansfield"	\$.60
"Fifty Missionary Heroes"	1.00
"Topsy Turvy Land"65
"Elo the Eagle"	1.00

Total	\$3.25
Club Price	\$2.35

I trust that every one will plan to read these books before the year is out, for they are truly well worth it. The Seniors are not required to write any review of the books which they read. It is to be hoped that our people will make use of the circulating library as never before, although the books just spoken of will not be in the library until late in the year. We hope that our people will form the habit of buying these books for use in their own libraries and to lend to their friends. There is nothing that will give us such easy access to the homes of our neighbors as some of these very books. This is a good time to work for some of our neighbors who are Lutherans. We can take the

book to them and ask them if they know that this year is the quadricentennial of Luther's experience, that you are interested in his life, etc. As they read the book they will be only too glad to talk to you about his experiences, and you can use this as a means of interesting them in our message.

Some have asked us for a list of the circulating library books, so we are publishing them again herewith:

SENIOR No. 1. Early Writings Into All the World Outline of Mission Fields Pastor Hsi	SENIOR No. 10. History of the Waldenses Advance Guard of Missions Getting Acquainted with Trees Steps to Christ
SENIOR No. 2 Great Controversy Daybreak in the Dark Continent	JUNIOR No. 1. Child Life in Mission Lands Christ Our Saviour
SENIOR No. 3. Quiet Talks on Service The Moslem World The Great Second Advent Movement	JUNIOR No. 2. Letters from the Holy Land Some Select Bible Readings My Garden Neighbors
SENIOR No. 4. Story of John G. Paton Turning Points in Successful Careers Christ's Object Lessons	JUNIOR No. 3. How the World Is Clothed The Story of Pitcairn Island Those Bible Readings
SENIOR No. 5. The Price of Africa Passion for Men Ministry of Healing Miracles of Missions	JUNIOR No. 4. Uganda's White Man of Work Early Writings North America
SENIOR No. 6. The Uplift of China Patriarchs and Prophets The American Government	JUNIOR No. 5. Winning the Oregon Country Pilgrim's Progress Daybreak in Korea
SENIOR No. 7. Exile to Overthrow Judaism to Christianity Wild Life on the Rockies	JUNIOR No. 6. The Black Bearded Barbarian The Mount of Blessings In the Tiger Jungle
SENIOR No. 8. A Retrospect Ann of Ava The Desire of Ages	JUNIOR No. 7. Under Marching Orders Easy Steps in the Bible Story
SENIOR No. 9. Things as They Are The History of the Sabbath History of William Miller	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

A large number of people are making good use of this library. Why not you? Remember they cost you nothing except the return postage. You can keep them two weeks without charge. If they are kept longer than two weeks, we ask for a detention fee of two cents a day the same as in any other library.

L. H. Wood.

Is there no guide to show that path?
The Bible! He alone who hath
The Bible, need not stray;
Yet he who hath, and will not give
The light of life to all who live,
Himself shall lose the way.

—Montgomery.

"You will not be any poorer if you smile along your way,
And your lot will not be harder for the kindly things you say,
Don't imagine you are wasting time for others that you spend:
You can rise to wealth and glory and still pause to be a friend."

With the Men Behind the Books

April Canvassing Summaries

The canvassing summaries for April have been received from the Southeastern, Southern, and Southwestern Unions, and are as follows:

Conference	Agents	Hours	Value	Ords.	Deliveries
Southeastern	50	4617	\$ 5668.90		\$ 3980.30
Southern	67	6700	13740.37		1637.55
Southwestern	87	6488	11797.15		3672.40
Totals	204	17805	\$31206.42		\$9290.25

The faithful "men behind the books" in the Southern Union surely have reason to be proud of this splendid report. It is therefore not so surprising that Brother Shidler's face should have worn such a broad smile when he handed it to us. In order that our colporteurs in the local conferences may see how their April reports compare with April of last year, we give the amounts herewith:

Conference	April 1917	April 1916	Gain	Loss
Alabama	\$2086.30	\$252.95	\$ 833.35	
Kentucky	2603.40	2059.25	544.15	
Louisiana	2611.60	1331.50	1280.00	
Mississippi	5333.57	4713.05	620.52	
Tennessee River ..	1105.50	1112.40		\$6.90
Totals	\$13740.37	\$10469.15	\$3278.02	\$6.90

The gain for the month in value of orders is \$3,271.12; in deliveries, \$597. To his report Brother Shidler added the following notes, which we are taking the liberty of passing on to the WORKER family:

"You will all rejoice that we registered another good gain for April, a gain of \$3,271.12! That is splendid. Our March gain was \$2,700. Tennessee River came very near getting into the gain column too. They came so near that they will get there in good shape next month. Louisiana has the largest gain again this month, but they do not have so many superlative degrees as they had last month.

"The three making the largest sales this month are A. L. Hamm, Mississippi, \$931.25; Virgil Smith, Mississippi, \$832.30; and M. S. Hubbell, Louisiana, \$815. The three putting in the best time are J. H. Clark, Kentucky, 224 hours; Turner Battle, Alabama, 208 hours; and M. S. Hubbell, Louisiana, 189 hours. Others who averaged forty hours a week or better are A. B. Cheek, of Louisiana, who is past "threescore and ten"; Perthia Hampton, of Mississippi; Quinnie Tew, of Alabama; and Jesse Miller, of Kentucky; and B. H. Broiles, of the Tennessee River Conference, came nearest the goal in that conference with 149 hours to his credit. We are glad to see some getting above the forty hour mark, but we must "take off our hats" to those who got above the forty-five hour goal. How many will do it for the five weeks in May?

"You will all be pleased to know that our report for April is the highest on record for a single month for the Southern Union. In July, 1914, a sale of \$13,674.20 was recorded, the previous "high-water" mark, but the April report exceeds this by a small margin, and the May report already gives evidence that it will go away beyond this one. The Louisiana report is the highest they have on record, and the reports of Kentucky and Mississippi have only been exceeded once, and the Alabama report three times, all in 1914. Tennessee's report has been exceeded a number of times, but this will not be true of their May report; just watch them. In this time of the world's peril it behooves us all to do our best. Let's make the winner for May sell a thousand dollars' worth of books, and put in two hundred fifty hours.

"Counting that each colporteur worked four weeks during the month, the hourly average each week for each conference is: Louisiana, 35; Alabama, 28; Mississippi, 25; Kentucky 24; Tennessee River, 22; and the average sale per hour is: Mississippi, \$3.15; Louisiana, \$2.64; Kentucky, \$1.80; Alabama, \$16; Tennessee, River 86 cents.

"Now which will be the record men and conferences next month, 'provoking one another to love and good works'? I think the Lord is well pleased when we make an endeavor to be of greatest service to him. Let us labor on untiringly, endeavoring to make each succeeding week better than the previous one, till the Lord says it is enough and calls us home."

Southeastern Union

It will be noted that while the value of their orders is not so large, the Southeastern Union delivered the largest amount of books, making a gain of \$1,290 over their previous month's report.

Southwestern Union

In writing of the Southwestern's report, Brother Harrison says: "I am very much pleased with our report." (When he wrote that he had not received the report of the Southern Union). "We have passed our March report over \$500, and have passed April of last year over \$4,600, so I feel quite well satisfied. I hope that our report this month will be far ahead of anything we have had for the last two or three years. This is our *big week*, and I am anxious to see what we will do. We have urged every man to do his best. . . . We are going to have a big week in June also when the students get into the field. We must make a steady gain, if possible, every month this year. That is what we are trying to do."

Yes, last week was "big week" in the Southwest. From some advance rumors that floated over this way, we shall not be at all surprised to hear that some of their field and tract society secretaries canvassed a part or all of the week. A few of the conferences were expecting to reach the \$2,000 mark that week. Hence, it can be seen that if the Southern Union maintains its lead, it means that everybody must hustle. But from what Brother Shidler says, it now looks as though it might be a close race between the two unions. We shall watch the outcome with keen interest.

Now the Time to Work

The following paragraph is taken from a letter received a few days ago from one of our tract society secretaries. It is certainly to the point, and should be a trumpet call to faithful service and *full time*. It reads:

"Certainly we are living in a time when there is a great turning to our people to know what these things mean, and I believe this is one of the purposes the Lord has in this present conflict. For many years people have been turning a deaf ear to the message we have been proclaiming, but now they see the fulfillment of it. I trust it will not be too late for many, but we know that some have gone down into Christless graves during this struggle. We ought to be more earnest in the little time that is left us in which to work."

In this connection the following from the spirit of prophecy, written in 1890, seems all the more significant, for now we can see what then had to be taken by faith.

"Isa. 2: 17. The Lord will arise to shake terribly the earth. We shall see troubles on all sides. Thousands of ships will be hurled into the depths of the sea. Navies will go down, and human lives will be sacrificed by millions. Fires will break out unexpectedly, and no human effort will be able to quench them. The palaces of earth will be swept away in the flames. Disasters by rail will become more and more frequent; confusion, collision, and death without a moment's warning will occur on the great lines of travel. The end is near, probation is closing. Oh, let us seek God while he may be found, call upon him while he is near! The prophet says, 'Seek the Lord, all ye meek of

the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger."

Notice that this was written twenty-seven years ago, and that then the end was near and probation was closing. Dear reader, what message do these solemn words bring to your heart? Surely we are living in "a grand and awful time" when a most tremendous responsibility rests upon every believer in this message. May the Lord help each one to act well his part in this time of great opportunity.

R. L. PIERCE.

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Our Help

"My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." Ps. 121:2. Oh blessed consolation! While we are facing perilous times, brought about by the greed of selfish hearts, we can look up and say, "My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." If we will accept this help there will be no chance for failure in our work.

I see from the letters received that each of our colporteurs in Louisiana is praying for and receiving that "help which cometh from the Lord." Their reports are reaching beyond that which they expected. I wish to quote a few words from their letters to show their courage in the Lord:

"I am so thankful to our Heavenly Father that he has so blessed me with this report to hand you. I have been greatly blessed the past week, and have been quite happy, as you may suppose. . . . I am sure that the result of my past week's work is from the prayers of my dear brethren, who are so full of the love of the truth that the Lord is answering their prayers. (He reports 43 hours, 36 orders, value \$157.75, delivery \$12.50.)" J. B. Hardy.

"My complete work for April is 189 hours, 354 exhibitions, 213 orders, value \$815; an average of 47 hours and \$203.75 each week, about \$4.30 each hour. I have delivered \$10.50 worth. I have many experiences where the hand of God is visible in my behalf. Pray for me that I may keep health and courage. (He has 50 hours, 59 orders, value \$223.50, for the week.)" M. S. Hubbell.

"I am of good courage in the Lord's work, and want to do all I can while I am able to go from house to house. It looks as if the prospect for peace grows darker every day, doesn't it? I would like to see you again, but there is so much to do, and it seems we have no time to stop to visit one another. (He has a report of 38 hours, 24 orders, value \$90.50.)" A. B. Cheek.

"Better than I hoped! I have, by the help of the Lord, exceeded my last week's work. Just think of it! A new book ('Practical Guide') and the best work I have ever done in two consecutive weeks — \$105.50. Surely the Lord is going before me. It is a great joy to be engaged in such work when I can see the guiding hand of the Lord. (He put in 20 hours, took 14 orders, valued at \$57, and is 72 years old.)" T. S. Sligh.

"I praise God that I was able to deliver three books, and have several paying on their books. (This was during a saw-mill strike). I praise God for the orders he gave me in the twenty-nine hours. I prayed and worked, and asked God to give me health and strength, and he did. I was able to put in

45 hours. (His report is 45 hours, 28 orders, value \$100.50, value delivered \$12.50.)" F. W. Schmehl.

"Some people in our ranks say they would not like canvassing, because they must beg for the orders. We do not have to beg. One lady, who was washing and was shown the book, went to carry a drink of water to her husband in the field. He told her she might order one of the books, whereupon she decided to head us off, so she came about a quarter of a mile across the field, bonnet in hand, to catch us. Many seem very anxious to order the good books. (He has a report of 41 hours, 31 orders, value \$116.50.)" M. B. Wilson.

I have had a similar experience to those given above, for in 41 hours I took 29 orders, with a total value of \$116.50. I have never seen people more anxious to hear the message or more willing to give an order for the truth-filled books.

G. B. BOSWELL.

News Items

Friday, May 11, Elder R. W. Parmele arrived in New Orleans, returning to his field of labor. His boat left the following Wednesday. He spoke in the New Orleans No. 1 church Sabbath morning, and at the No. 2 church Sunday night.

On his return from the little church company at Alexandria, Elder Sanders reported a very pleasant and profitable time. The church there has taken forty "Christ's Object Lessons" and seventy-five of the June *Watchman* for the Southern Junior College School Fund. Brother J. H. Shasky, a trained nurse from Battle Creek, has located there, and is acting as leader of the company. After giving his patient a treatment the other day and telling him of the "Object Lesson" work, the man handed Brother Shasky \$10 and said that would pay for eight books. He also asked Brother Shasky to pray for him.

Brother C. T. Burroughs and wife were recently in New Orleans on their way to Birmingham, and made the office a very pleasant call.

A letter received from Elder McLennan, of Shreveport, dated May 10, states that he has already disposed of eleven copies of "Christ's Object Lessons."

Speaking of his week's experiences in the colporteur work, Brother Wilson writes of a woman who as soon as she learned that the title of his book was "Bible Readings for the Home Circle" said, "Put me down for one," and on learning the prices asked that a half morocco binding be delivered to her.

Brother Boswell writes: "I had some real good experiences the past week. I will relate one to you. As I approached a large white house I was met by a young man who was home from West Point on a furlough. I called for his father, and he stepped to the back of the house and called his father from the field. I feared that the father might not like to be hindered, but he seemed to be quite pleasant. As I was showing him through the book he stopped me at the 'United States in Prophecy' and called his wife. He wanted me to explain to her also. They were deeply interested. They believe the signs of the times and the fulfilment of prophecy as much as we do, and deplore the worldliness of the church and the greed of the world. They told me that a man, one Tom Sligh, had sold them a book or two which had helped them in their studies. I took their order and thought that we should not fear the 'large white houses.' God has children there."

"You may keep your feet from slipping,
And your hands from evil deeds,
But to guard your tongue from tripping,
What unceasing care it needs!
Be you old or be you young,
Oh, beware,
Take good care,
Of the tittle-tattle, telltale tongue!"

Tennessee River Conference

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News Items

A meeting of the conference committee was held in the city the first two days of this week. Many important plans were laid for the coming tent season, and the work throughout the field received attention. Among those present from outside the city were Brethren Kennedy, West, Bellinger, and Wheeler. We were glad to have these brethren with us for a few days. Elder D. P. Wood also spent part of one day in Nashville.

Some good reports have been coming in to the office of late. One from Memphis came in yesterday for over \$100. This was the work of Brother and Sister Howard, and the work was done in that big city too.

Elder Elliott reports the baptism of three individuals at the Lawrenceburg church a few days ago. Brother Pound reports that five young people were baptized at Paducah at one of their recent meetings. These reports will be of interest to all who are interested in the evangelical feature of the work.

We have just learned that several members of the Henderson, Ky., church have removed to Ballard County, Ky., which is in a portion of the State belonging to this conference. Word received from this company states that they are having meetings in the community for friends and relatives and desire that a minister be sent to visit them and organize a Sabbath school. The calls for ministers are numerous. It would be hard indeed to fill all the calls that come in.

The Hazel School closes this week, and the students will return to their homes to enjoy their vacation. However, there are two that will go into the canvassing field and cast their lot with the army that is already "at the front." These two boys are our friends, Chalmer Chastain and Jesse Allen. They have already ordered their supplies and we feel sure that the brethren in the field will extend them the glad hand of welcome as they lend their assistance to the work.

Report of Tithe and Mission Funds for First Quarter of 1917 Compared with First Quarter of 1916

	CONFERENCE					
	1917	1916	1917	1916	1917	1916
Church	Tithe	Tithe	Gain	20c a wk.	20c a wk.	Gain
Ash. City	\$17 57	\$ 8 26	\$ 9 31	\$22 03	\$21 96	\$ 07
Bon Aqua	48 70	20 50	28 20	15 34	11 08	4 26
Cedar Grove	31 94	2 50	29 44	22 19		22 19
Conference	332 45	13 71	318 74	39 79	69 11	loss
Fountain H.	169 73	82 60	87 13	5 70	23 39	loss
Goodlettsville	54 00	29 74	24 26	9 47		9 47
Hazel	92 62	83 50	9 12	295 40	43 73	252 67
Hustburg	8 62	2 87	5 75	6 41	8 36	loss
Jackson	52 53	49 40	3 13	28 95	30 85	loss
Lane	17 21	304 24	loss	9 82	10 69	loss
Lawrenceburg	51 58		51 58	5 32		5 32
Leach	43 53	40 99	2 54	14 00	9 89	4 11
Madison	10 50	15 75	loss	70 50	21 82	48 68
Memphis	547 52	411 93	135 59	98 74	59 12	39 62
Nashville	1329 52	1218 99	110 53	358 96	317 65	41 31
Springville	265 54	82 11	183 43	83 29	1 63	81 66
Trezevant	22 44		22 44	6 37		6 37
Paducah	85 39	37 46	47 93	35 34	16 56	18 78
Totals	\$3182 29	\$2404 55	\$777 74	\$1127 62	\$645 84	\$481 78

	MISSION					
	1917	1916	1917	1916	1917	1916
Nashville	\$218 13	\$244 53	loss	\$92 25	\$20 63	\$71 62
Memphis	230 51	82 02	148 49	25 57	9 99	15 58
Jackson	41 65	7 60	34 05	8 91	4 47	4 17
Totals	\$490 29	\$334 15	\$156 14	\$126 73	\$35 36	\$91 37

G. T. \$3672 58 \$2738 70 \$933 88 \$1254 35 \$681 20 \$573 15

The above report of tithe and mission offerings for the first quarter of 1916 compared with the same period of 1917 will be of interest to our constituency. It shows that nearly all the churches have made nice gains in these two departments. Some churches have doubled their tithe and mission offerings over the first quarter of 1916. This denotes splendid work being done. Those that have doubled their tithe are Ashland City, Bon Aqua, Cedar Grove, the Conference church, Fountain Head, Hustburg, Springville, Trezevant, and Paducah. Those that doubled their mission offerings are Hazel, Madison, Springville, and Paducah.

The reason why the tithe and offerings from the Madison church are not larger than they are is because only sixteen of the membership of eighty-four are resident members, the remaining sixty-eight being students, most of whom are working their way through school.

The three colored churches have also done splendid work and report gains in tithe and mission offerings. The probable reason for such large gains in these funds is that the home missionary work has been given an impetus in our field and every member has taken some active part in the church work. More books have been sold, more literature distributed, and larger funds paid in than in any quarter before.

F. C. BRUCE.

Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund Report for Quarter Ending March 31, 1917

Church	CONFERENCE					
	Amt. Due	Amt. Pd.	Amt. Short	Amt. Over	Rate	
Ashland City	\$20 24	\$22 03	\$	\$ 1 79	\$ 22	
Bon Aqua	75 90	16 34	60 56		04	
Cedar Grove	70 84	22 19	48 65		06	
Conference	25 30	39 79		14 49	22	
Fountain Head	154 33	5 70	148 63			
Goodlettsville	58 19	9 47	48 72			
Hazel	48 07	295 40		247 33	1 22	
Hustburg	30 36	6 41	23 95		04	
Jackson	32 89	28 95	3 94		17	
Lane	10 12	9 82	30		19	
Lawrenceburg	27 83	5 32	22 51		05	
Leach	91 08	14 00	77 08		03	
Madison	202 40	70 50	131 90		06	
Memphis	253 00	98 74	154 26		07	
Nashville	518 65	358 96	159 69		13	
Springville	118 91	83 29	35 62		13	
Trezevant	30 36	6 37	23 99		04	
Paducah	48 07	35 34	12 73		14	
Totals	\$1816 54	\$1127 62	\$688 92		\$ 12	

	MISSION					
	1917	1916	1917	1916	1917	1916
Nashville	\$95 77	\$92 25	\$ 3 52		\$ 15	
Memphis	111 47	25 57	85 90		04	
Jackson	26 69	8 91	17 78		05	
Totals	\$233 93	\$126 73	\$107 20		\$ 07	

Alabama Conference

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In the Field

April 23 we went to Mobile to counsel with Elder Martin and Elder Wright regarding the tent meeting there. We were pleased to have Elder Wight with us and get his counsel for the beginning of this effort. In talking over the different needs and prospects for the meeting, it seemed to us quite evident that the time had come for a good work to be done in Mobile. As we expect to hear from Elder Wright regarding this meeting and its progress, we will not say more here.

On the twenty-seventh of April we visited Brother Odell and the Lorenzen family at Fairhope, going next day to Silverhill. We remained with this church until Wednesday, May 2, visiting Brother Prieger, of the Marlow church, in the meantime. We had a good visit at Silverhill, holding a number of meetings with the church. Nearly every member of the church decided to help in the special campaign of selling "Christ's Object Lessons" and *The Watchman* for the Southern Junior College. We were pleased to see their willingness to help in this campaign.

We returned to Mobile Thursday, May 3. Nearly every member in both churches willingly took hold in the special campaign. On Monday we left Mobile to visit some of the isolated at Chunchula and Citronelle. We were pleased to meet these people, and trust our visit did them much good.

We obtained three subscriptions for the *WORKER* and one for the *Watchman* on this trip. Are there not others who should subscribe for the *SOUTHERN UNION WORKER*?

Finally, let no one rest until the work in the special school campaign is finished.

A. L. MILLER.

Mobile Effort

On Sunday night, May 6, at 7:30 P. M. the tent meetings for the city of Mobile opened with about one thousand people in attendance. It was stated that at least five hundred people were turned away for lack of room, as the lot was crowded out to the sidewalk. Such a large crowd was far beyond our expectations, as Mobile is a strong Catholic city. So we as workers united our hearts as one in praising God for this first meeting. The people gave excellent attention as Elder Martin spoke upon the subject of the war, and many stood during the entire service. When the offering was received, all responded in a very liberal manner.

During the first week, though the weather has been very cool and disagreeable, the tent has been well filled at each service. Last night was our second Sunday evening meeting, and although we had provided two hundred fifty extra chairs, we were still unable to accommodate the crowd. At the present writing people are telling us that the city is being stirred, and we are pleased to state that an excellent class of people attended each service.

In preparing for these meetings, the Lord worked for us in a wonderful way and gave us favor with the business men. For a small sum a lot was secured which can be reached from all parts of the city without making a transfer. The furniture for the rostrum and reception tent was furnished us free of charge. The Smith Piano Company sent us a nice piano without charge, and the Emerald Company sent out a new \$200 Edison Diamond

Disc Machine with some sacred records. This is also furnished free of charge and adds much to our music.

The meetings have been advertised through the papers, and the largest newspaper is giving us space every day. Ten thousand folders were circulated in the residence districts, and placards were placed in the store windows throughout the main part of the city. The street cars have been carrying large signs on the front of the cars for us each day. They felt at first that our meeting would not amount to much, so were dilatory in putting on the signs each day without further request from us. Through these different channels of advertising the people of Mobile have been made well acquainted with the fact that meetings are being held in their midst.

The words of the Psalmist, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad," express the feeling of all the workers connected with this effort. Our one great desire is that we may live so close to God, and so labor each day that the honest in heart will be gathered out. From the outlook at present and the interest manifested at each meeting, it appears as if we will soon have more than we can well look after.

Our company is composed of the following persons: Elder I. N. Martin, who with his wife recently came from Florida, and who stands at the head of the company; Miss Williams, of Mississippi, and Miss Anna Hornung, of Kentucky, as Bible workers; Mrs. Rasmussen, of Iowa, who is visiting here in the South and is assisting in the visiting and Bible work; Brother C. B. Norrell and wife, who have charge of the tent; and the writer and wife, who have charge of the music. We are all of good courage and getting along nicely, and an amiable, earnest spirit prevails. We are expecting great things from the Lord, so we, in turn, with his help are attempting great things for him. We would request those of our people who have friends or relatives living in the city that they write to them and ask them to attend the meetings, and also send their names and addresses to J. F. Wright, McGill Ave., Mobile, Ala., so we can get in touch with them.

We request all those who read these few lines to pray to our heavenly Father that he will bless every effort put forth to advance his cause here so that many souls will be won for the kingdom, and that a strong, active church will be raised up at this place.

J. F. WRIGHT.

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News Items

One of our student colporteurs, Miss Elsie Tatman, reports her sister-in-law and nephew keeping the Sabbath as a result of her last summer's sales. The nephew has arranged with Brother Hickman to canvass with "Bible Readings" this summer.

Brother R. F. Hickman reports another Sabbath-keeper in Whitley County as a result of a "Bible Readings" sale. This makes three Sabbath-keepers as a result of his labor since last summer. Our good books do bring people into the truth.

"I am sorry for the men who do not read the Bible every day. I wonder why they deprive themselves of the strength and the pleasure. If men could but be made to know it intimately and for what it really is, we should have secured both individual and social regeneration.—Woodrow Wilson.

Colporteurs' Report

For Week Ending May 12, 1917

ALABAMA CONFERENCE						
Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
U Bracy* . . . GC, BF	81	72	\$156 50	\$10 50	\$167 00	\$29 50
G W Brown . . . BR	2	2	9 00		9 00	
B D Crawford . . .	26	1	5 50	2 50	8 00	
J E Foley . . . BR	5	1	3 50		3 50	9 00
G W Powers . . . BF	30	18	35 50	4 05	39 55	5 50
Q. Tew* . . . HM	63	17	48 50	1 20	49 70	12 50
T M Woodruff . BR	47	21	80 50	1 55	82 05	
Bibles			41 55		41 55	
Totals (Agts. 7).	254	132	\$380 55	\$19 80	\$400 35	\$56 50

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE						
B E Wagner . . . BR	54	11	\$41 50	\$5 00	\$46 50	\$172 00
D E H Lindsey . SB	64	60	15 00		15 00	33 00
J Hickman . . . BR	40	3	10 50	75	11 25	120 50
Andy Schroader BR	81	35	122 50		122 50	46 50
Lee Page CK	66	38	67 50		67 50	78 00
Flora Page . . . CK	8					14 50
W H White . . . BR	43	28	99 00	3 25	102 25	
F L Harrison . . BR	79	55	193 50		193 50	
Alex Perry . . . BR	20					51 00
C Keith CK	20					33 00
W P Ethington . BF	24	11	22 50		22 50	
Mary Taylor . . BR	18		33 00		33 00	14 00
R F Hickman . . BR	30	42	18 00		18 00	
Jesse Miller . . D&R	20		19 50	1 50	21 00	
Bibles	4		7 55		7 55	
Totals (Agts. 14)	567	287	\$650 05	\$10 50	\$660 55	\$562 50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE						
Susie Beasley . . HM	19	25	\$64 00	\$ 9 10	\$73 10	\$
Emily Billups* . PG	92	15	63 00	4 45	67 45	59 75
H Balsbaugh . . BR	31	2	7 00	42 00	49 00	
P Hampton BF PPF	36	36	109 00	5 40	114 40	
AA Johnson PPF, D&R	45	5	12 00	1 70	13 70	32 50
Mattie Lee . . . HM	11	2	5 00	1 60	6 60	5 00
L J McElroy* D&R	92	11	46 50	5 90	52 40	57 95
M A Murphy . D&R	28	27	101 00	7 50	108 50	
Virgil Smith BR, D&R	50	162	632 00	17 60	649 60	
E A Taylor* . . BR	62	32	111 00	7 55	118 55	
J L Waller . . . D&R	50	23	57 50	60	58 10	
Annie Watts . . HM	14	22	79 00	2 10	81 10	
Bibles			7 35		7 35	
Totals (Agts. 12)	530	362	\$1294 35	\$105 50	\$1399 85	\$155 20

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE						
M B Wilson . . . BR	38	21	\$78 50	\$	\$78 50	\$
T S Sligh PG	9	3	10 50		10 50	4 50
G B Boswell* . . BR	64	41	151 50		151 50	
E P Campbell . . BR	3	1	3 50	8 00	11 50	3 50
Bibles			1 50		1 50	1 50
Totals (Agts. 4).	114	66	\$245 50	\$8 00	\$253 50	\$9 50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE†						
Susie Beasley . . HM	29	21	\$69 00	\$3 85	\$72 85	\$
Perthia Hampton BF	36	22	64 50	5 95	70 45	2 00
A L Hamm . . . D&R	36	48	204 00	3 50	207 50	10 50
AA Johnson PPF, D&R	34	25	82 50	1 50	84 00	
Virgil Smith BR, D&R	45	73	268 00	3 85	271 85	
E B Stowall . . . PPF	10	3	8 50	2 00	10 50	
Annie Watts . . HM	43	34	105 00	5 25	110 25	
J L Waller . . . D&R	46	35	94 50	1 80	96 30	
Totals (Agts. 8)	279	261	\$896 00	\$27 70	\$923 70	\$12 50

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE						
Mr & Mrs Howard BR	23	25	\$93 00	\$ 7 10	\$100 10	\$
W J Keele . . . D&R	37	8	33 00	6 25	39 25	3 50
Mae Keele . . . COS	32			13 50	13 50	
H G Miller . . . BF	43	12	18 00	1 50	19 50	4 25
Mrs Miller . . . BS	9			3 75	3 75	
W F Nance . . . BF	38	12	24 50	7 50	32 00	
Cleve Smith . . D&R	25	14	49 00		49 00	
G P Tripp . . . BR	11	6	21 00	75	21 75	
Totals (Agts. 8).	218	77	\$238 50	\$40 35	\$278 85	\$7 75

G'd Totals (A. 45) 1683 924 \$2801 60 \$184 15 \$2993 10 \$791 25

Summary to Date

	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total
Alabama Conference . .	3824	\$4878 95	\$249 55	\$5128 50
Kentucky Conference . .	4400	6240 80	258 11	6498 91
Louisiana Conference .	2302	5480 65	56 95	5537 60
Mississippi Conference .	4691	11578 35	564 72	12143 07
Tenn. River Conference	2527	2340 35	304 25	2644 60
Totals	17744	\$30519 10	\$1433 58	\$31952 68

Work for the Jews Now

The second quarter's issue of the Yiddish magazine, *The Messenger*, is now ready. It is called the "What Do These Things Mean?" number. The first article is entitled "If thou Hadst Only Known" and is calculated to catch the attention and arouse the interest of a Jew. Then the article, "Why Do Not the Jews Still Regard the Sabbath?" will be appreciated by many, especially the orthodox Jews, and every Jew will be pleased, although surprised perhaps to learn of "A people Who Respect the Holy Sabbath," as presented in another article in the same magazine. It's a fine number, and the Jews in your vicinity may never know "what these things mean" unless you hasten to tell them the "good news" through these publications.

There are still on hand some copies of the previous issue, "The World on Fire" number. You can get ten copies of each of these splendid numbers, or 20 copies of either, for \$1.

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News Items

Elder S. E. Wight left Nashville Wednesday night, the sixteenth, for a short trip in the North. He expects to visit Chicago and Indianapolis before his return.

On his return from the Kentucky office last week, Brother G. H. Curtis spent two days in the union office before going on to Birmingham to make the annual audit of the books of the Alabama Conference and its departments. He returned to Nashville Thursday, May 17, leaving that night for Louisville to look after the business in the Kentucky Conference office.

Prof. Lynn H. Wood left Nashville Sunday morning for Hazel, Ky., to visit the Academy and deliver the commencement address Monday night. On his way to Hazel he made a side trip to Memphis to attend the closing exercises of the church school at that place.

Elder D. P. Wood, pastor of the Memphis church, made a call at the union conference office and Publishing House while he was in the city last Tuesday.

Mr. M. W. Shidler left Nashville Friday, May 18, for Springville, Tenn., to visit the church and help the colporteurs who are working in that vicinity.

Home Nursing and Simple Treatments

This is the title of a series of lessons based on Amy E. Pope's "Home Care of the Sick" and Dr. G. H. Heald's "Colds, Their Cause, Prevention, and Cure." They have been examined and endorsed by the General Conference Medical Department. They are designed to meet the needs of mothers in the home and of others who wish to do missionary nursing but are unable to take a full course of instruction at one of our sanitariums. The total cost, including textbooks, is \$5.50. Those who are interested should write at once for full particulars to The Fire-side Correspondence School, Takoma Park, D. C.

Thine to work as well as pray,
Clearing thorny wrongs away,
Plucking up the weeds of sin,
Letting heaven's warm sunshine in.

—Whittier.

Southern Junior College

News Notes from Collegedale

Brother and Sister Slade and their children, from Chattanooga, spent several hours visiting the Southern Junior College on Sunday of last week.

Elder W. H. Branson, of Atlanta, is visiting the Southern Junior College as these notes are written. He is here in the interests of the new industrial plant that is under contemplation.

Prof. A. N. Atteberry and Brother G. H. Ward are spending several days of this week in Knoxville. They are attending a farmers' institute and convention now in progress there. They expect to return to Collegedale Thursday.

W. E. Abernathy, of Atlanta, is spending a few days auditing the books of the college.

Elder J. L. Shuler, the president of the Cumberland Conference, is expected at the Southern Junior College Thursday.

Messrs. Glen and Lewis Thompson, of Hammond, La., arrived at Collegedale Wednesday. They expect to work on the new building and farm this summer.

Professor Thiel spent Monday of this week in Graysville.

Elder W. C. White spent Thursday of last week at the Southern Junior College.

Misses Sadie Rogers, Ruth Hale, Naomi Anderson, Grace Kelsey, Addie Kalar, Orelia Wooldridge, Masie White, and Lettie Harrold spent Thursday in Chattanooga selling *Watchman Magazines* in the interests of the new dormitory. They were accompanied there by Mrs. Marshall and Elder Branson. Elder Heald expected to join them there. We are looking for a nice sum for the dormitory as a result of the day's work. Sister Sevier accompanied the girls to Chattanooga and spent the day working with them. From there she expects to go on a tour selling magazines. She has left her children with the teachers at the Southern Junior College. Elder and Mrs. Field are caring for Helen, and Professor and Mrs. Atteberry have the other little girl. Miss Rebecca is staying in the dormitory.

We shall be glad to mail copies of the Southern Junior College catalog to all who would care to have one. A postal card will bring one to you.



"The church of Christ has been organized for missionary purposes." "Not one-hundredth part has been done or is being done by the members of the church that God requires of them." "An Appeal," p. 11.

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If you have a friend, relative, or neighbor who reads the French language, why not give such a person an opportunity to read the truth, presented in an attractive way, in his mother tongue? It will surely appeal to him more forcibly than in any other way. A sister, in writing about a woman who became interested from the reading of the first issue of the Hungarian magazine, says, "Many foreigners who cannot read or understand English will be willing to learn about the truth in their own language."

You can have the French quarterly magazine—*Les Signes des Temps*—sent to any person in the United States for a year for 40 cents, or to Canada for 50 cents. It's worth while to do this kind of missionary work, whatever else you may be doing, for these silent messengers are bearing fruit "while you sleep." Order through your tract society.

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