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

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Immortal Love

Do we weary of our waiting
For the coming of the King?
Is our hope withal abating
That the long, eternal spring
Soon shall wither wintry shadows,
Soon the last dark day will close,
And life's green and golden meadows
Give our weary feet repose?

Yet the beacon lights grow brighter
As we near the land of light,
And our heavy hearts beat lighter
As upon our straining sight
Falls the vision of each omen
Of the glad and glorious dawn,
As God's true, unfailing gnomon
Casts its truth our dial on.

Higher lift the mighty tokens,
Till they overshadow all;
And the precious word, unbroken,
Issues forth in final call
To the utmost bounds of nations,
To the last, lost, longing soul,
To the least of Love's creation —
Swift its pleadings onward roll.

O love, love! unmeasured, pleading,
Hovers in a last long search
For the last sheep, torn and bleeding,
Making full Christ's finished church.
O love, love! Immortal treasure!
Soon its glories will be known,
As with cup filled to the measure,
We behold him on his throne.

—Albert Carey.

Beefless Day

A New York dispatch of September 23 says: "It will be useless for railroad travelers to ask for roast beef, steaks, fillets of beef, or even beef broth in any dining car on any Tuesday after October 2, for the American Association of Dining Car Stewards has decided that Tuesday will be a beefless day for the duration of the war. This was announced yesterday, with the approval of Herbert C. Hoover, national food administrator, by John McE. Bowman, head of the department of hotels and restaurants of the Food Administration, who has just returned from a conference with the dining car stewards in Chicago. Thirty-two members of the association were present, and they agreed upon a plan of food conservation on railroad trains.

"In addition to the beefless day, the stewards' association also agreed not to serve wheat bread unless it was asked for. The plan of economy, however, will extend to every item on the menu."

Food Conservation Measures

Among the suggestions made by the Food Administration for conservation of our resources, are the following:

Use local foodstuffs as far as practicable, and thus help to reduce the congestion in transportation. Use vegetables and fruits from near-by sources rather than those transported long distances. This means use vegetables and fruits in season. As far as practicable use local cereals.

Use perishable foods in order to conserve staples. In response to the spring campaign, many extra backyard vegetable gardens were planted, and a larger area generally was devoted to the raising of vegetables. As a result, there may be more garden truck than is required for present needs. By drying, canning, salting, or otherwise preserving such of these perishables as are not needed for present use, you will have this winter, when prices are higher, a valuable asset which will help to release more of the staple foods for Europe. On an average Americans provide only fourteen per cent of the heat requirements of the body by eating fruits and vegetables. It has been demonstrated that much larger quantities can be used to advantage, and that a diet containing an abundance of fruits and vegetables, as a source of nutrition and not merely as relishes, can be attractive and wholesome.

Seventh-day Adventists may not need to be reminded of this fact, stated plainly in government bulletins, but they can make it a means of help to their neighbors — showing them how, by using more garden truck and fruit, they can help to conserve the less perishable forms of food that we must send to Europe, and how in doing this they will not only not endanger their health, but may actually improve it under the simplified regime.

Mikkel Hindhede, the Danish nutrition expert, has demonstrated that one can live healthfully on a diet consisting largely of potatoes and margarine with a minimum of animal food. We are not advising such a diet, for much depends on the relish with which one eats his food; but it is in place to suggest a much more liberal use of potatoes and sweet potatoes, which, being perishable, are not adapted for shipping across the ocean, and moreover, by their bulk make too heavy demands upon the limited shipping space available. This will release more of the cereals for shipment.

We should avoid the waste which comes from careless storage of foods, from careless packing for shipment, and from wasteful methods in cooking, such as paring potatoes so that twenty per cent goes into the garbage barrel. We should save the precious vegetable salts which pass out into the water when vegetables are boiled, by using this water in the preparation of soup, or otherwise. We should avoid serving such large quantities that some of the food must be left on the plate. It is time for us as a nation to sense the fact that a clean plate at the end of a meal does not indicate either poverty or meanness. Anything but a clean plate indicates that one has not had his heart touched by the pitiable conditions in Europe. We need a new commandment, to wit, "Today it is criminal to take more than we intend to eat." The American people have been so wasteful that

companies contracting to purchase garbage have done so depending for their profit on the fact that every ton of garbage could be counted on to yield thirty to forty pounds of fat over and above the residue that could be used as fertilizer.

G. H. HEALD, M. D.,
N. A. D. Medical Department.

What People Did Last Year in the Harvest Ingathering Work

A sister seventy years old says in her second report: "I started out again on Tuesday with twenty-five papers. I was not feeling very well, and if I had consulted my feelings I would have stayed at home. As I went three blocks to the car line, I said, 'Master, hast thou work for me? I will gladly work for thee.' I said, 'Lord, I am not feeling well today, help me to sell the papers quickly.' I disposed of them all in two and one-half hours and got \$4.75 for them. The next day I started out with twenty-five more, and by noon had nineteen sold, for which I received \$3.95. I have now taken in all \$41.70. If I were well I could easily sell forty papers a day."

A sister who recently received \$12.70 for thirty-eight papers used, says, "I am so thankful that the Lord has given me a part in this blessed work."

A sister who received \$2.85 for thirty-three papers used, says: "Above \$16 has been gathered by the workers in my division. I have been greatly blessed myself in the work and thank the Lord for the privilege of doing this work for him."

"The unique way in which two of our brethren report having met the time-worn objection, 'I give to my own church,' is worth passing on to others. To this objection made by a lady, the brother said, 'Now I think that is nice.' That is just what every Christian ought to do—help support the work in his own church, but if I should drop into your church on Sunday morning and say, when the collection box came around, 'No, I won't put in anything, I give to my own church,' do you think that would be just the thing?' The lady replied, 'No, I do not think that would be nice of any one. I never thought of it in that way before. I believe I will give you something for your mission work,' and handed him fifty cents. In another case a brother went into a store and solicited of the merchant, who said, 'No, I have to help support my own church and can give you nothing.' The brother said, 'You are just the kind of man I like to meet in this work, as I know that one who is conscientious to help support the work in his own church can recognize a good work carried on by some other church,' and the man handed him fifty cents."

Our isolated Sabbath-keepers are fast remitting their quota of \$5 per member for the Ingathering work. Many of these remittances exceed this amount. A sister recently sent in \$7.50 which was collected from eleven individuals, averaging about seventy cents per paper, as indicated by her solicitor's card.

"The isolated brethren and sisters are doing well in the Harvest Ingathering work. One brother sent in \$43. We have some time left in which to swell the fund."

An isolated sister who had pledged \$10 to the Harvest Ingathering fund recently sent us a check for \$14.65. She writes us that she is still continuing her work with the Harvest Ingathering papers. Activity on the part of every Sabbath-keeper in this work, with similar results, would mean a great lift to the mission funds.

A sister who has recently begun her work with the Ingathering papers writes: "I wrote a couple of letters of solicitation for the Ingathering fund. Yesterday I received an answer from one together with a check for \$1. I then went down town a little while in the afternoon to do some shopping and took a few papers along, for which I received \$2.50." Let other busy people do likewise and they will not miss the time spent in this Christian

work, and at the same time will be fulfilling the Lord's commission, "Go preach the gospel to every creature."

A brother sends in \$5.50 Harvest Ingathering offering and says: "It is not much, but I am eighty years old and feel like I have a part in the work, which I must say I enjoy doing."

One sister's solicitor's card shows faithful effort—16 names with the result of \$2; one for 50 cents, another for 15 cents, one for 5 cents, and thirteen for 10 cents each. There is no doubt but that she will reach her \$5 by continuing the effort.

"While at camp-meeting I promised to try to raise \$10 with the Ingathering magazines. Well, I went out and had some blessed experiences. Enclosed find \$16.37. I expect to get some more for the cause of Christ."

"One sister, who is very young in the message, obtained more than \$5. Another sister who was not able to go out, wrote letters, and received \$10 from an ex-senator's wife. Two other sisters, who have gone out repeatedly and canvassed their own town and the neighboring towns, have raised between them about \$60. Elder ——— set his goal for \$100 but exceeded his expectation by obtaining \$130."

"He could not wait. For what? October 1, to begin the Ingathering work for missions. One brother who had set his goal and marked his card in the \$20 square, having not yet received his mission papers on Friday, September 29, went out soliciting, promising the papers to be sent to the people by mail.

"What happened? At the first attempt seventy-seven cents was given. This being so perfect a number, it was quite encouraging. At the second, third, and fourth places, the people were Germans, and did not understand about the missionary work, but at each home they subscribed for the German *Signs of the Times*. At the fifth place the offering figure was more perfect than at the first. The lady when told of the missionary work in the broad world, replied, 'I have had some money in saving for this for some time. I have needed it for other things, but kept it for the Lord.' It was a ten-dollar bill."

"I have secured \$46.20 this week for my Harvest Ingathering work, and am trying to make it \$100. I pledged \$25 and secured it within four hours, so you see the Lord does help us when we pledge for him. All of our people here are interested in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, and as I work the business section they will go through the residence section. We feel that our prayers are being answered as we see the generosity of the people."

An interesting and encouraging experience was had by one of our brethren in the Harvest Ingathering work. His landlady, upon seeing the cover of the magazine, said she would give her over-supply of potatoes to missions. The brother is going to dig the potatoes, that there may be no expense in connection with marketing them.

Here is a message of victory from a little company of about twenty members. The leader writes: "We are having good success. The Lord is blessing. Nearly every night last week we gathered at the church to thank the Lord for what he had done, and to ask him to prepare us to do the work and to prepare the hearts of the people to give. He has gone before us. We have at present about \$56. Our members are few, but I am thankful to say that all are willing to work for the Master."

One sister, whose mother sent her some Harvest Ingathering papers and solicitor's cards, failed to receive the papers, and using only the cards, secured \$11. This shows the interest people have in missions. Had the sister been able to show the beautiful paper, doubtless much more would have been received.

"The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way; a lion is in the street.' Prov. 26:13. This is the way we feel when we think of doing our Harvest Ingathering work. A fearful dread arises in the heart as it would if there were a lion in the street, but, as Solomon says, it is only the slothful that are held back

by that dread. That is the way I have felt many times before I started out, but as soon as I made a start that feeling left me and, I only thought of how to gain the best results. I would become so interested that I did not want to stop until I had disposed of my last paper."

"Last year I determined to be one of the number to reach the \$5 goal. One day as I was going to the doctor's office for a treatment, I took one of the papers along with me, and I solicited him and he gave me \$1. Then I got several smaller donations at home by soliciting people that came to the house until I had \$2. Then the time slipped by and I did not find the opportunity to solicit until the last of the allotted time had nearly expired. So I started out one afternoon resolved to get the balance of the amount required. I took the remainder of my twenty-five papers and went down to the shops and business places. When I had disposed of all I found I had sixty cents over the required amount."

"I have not always gone out to work with the papers. Sometimes I have done just as well or better soliciting at home. Three different years I solicited a friend that was visiting our house and I received \$5 each time. I have also obtained some smaller donations by mailing papers to friends at a distance. One does not have to make a long canvass, or a learned one, for if that was necessary I would certainly fail. I ask for a donation for the Harvest Ingathering for missions. I am often asked if it is for home or foreign missions, and I tell them I will apply it either way they wish."

"I have enjoyed the Harvest Ingathering work and only wish I had more time to engage in it. It is a grand work, a blessing to the missionaries and those who give, both to the heathen and to those who solicit."

"One church had set their goal for \$100, and when they brought their offerings in last Sabbath they had \$122.75. Of this \$20.17 was gathered by the young people's society. One little girl, seven years old, received \$6.14 for her effort with the Harvest Ingathering magazine. Surely this church has done well, and it has been because the people had a mind to work. The church is not a large church. But as I listened to the earnest testimony of the missionary secretary, the secret was solved. She had a burden for the work. She placed the thermometer on the wall and helped the church set a goal, and asked the members to pledge. She helped them district the town and ordered the papers and solicitor's cards in time. She went to God in earnest prayer for strength to do her part in the work and help others. The church in turn rose up to the help of the Lord and have pledged themselves to go on during the month of October with the Harvest Ingathering work."

"Two of the brethren spent four days soliciting the business men of two small towns, and as a result \$136 was gathered in for the cause of God. We are thankful for answered prayers, and expect to see much more accomplished."

"Nearly all of the Sanitarium family have been out in the Harvest Ingathering, and we are in hopes that before finishing this good work all will have had a part in it. I expect to call our family together tomorrow evening and read your letter to them. I believe it will help those who have already been in the field, and stimulate those who have been rather timid, and have not felt like taking up the work. Already quite a number have received \$1.50 and \$3.50, and some will reach \$5, or perhaps more. Personally I am glad for the part I have had in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, for I would not have missed the experience for anything. I thank the Lord for the success that he has given me in raising money for those needy fields. So far I have obtained \$52 in cash, and am expecting to reach at least \$75."

"The Harvest Ingathering work is well under way among the churches. A brother received \$20 for one paper. A young lady who has not solicited in past campaigns received \$13 before the date set to begin."

"We meet each Sunday morning, and after a song and prayer the society is divided up into bands, composed of an older member and two or three younger ones. We have been out four times and have raised \$74.22. We find that from nine to eleven is the best time to work."

"I have filled today my third card for the Harvest Ingathering fund, which totals \$5.10. The second totaled \$6.30, and the first one was \$8.30, making my total amount to date, \$19.70. Most people are kind to me, and I would not miss the experience, rich in opportunity and blessing. Will you send me two more cards, as I will have these filled this week I think."

"In four days two sisters distributed 350 papers and received for Harvest Ingathering \$102.28. This splendid sum was collected in spite of the well-known fact that Victoria is one of the 'dead' cities in a business way, in spite of the Red Cross tag-day, and other hindrances. They report that they did not get over the business district, and went to none of the residence district."

One brother takes the papers with him in his work as railroad locomotive engineer, and solicits all the men on the road, including people he meets in the town and on passenger trains. As a result of this strenuous work, the railroad superintendent has promised a good donation, and several have requested Bible studies.

One of the isolated members recently sent in \$5 received from handing out ten Harvest Ingathering papers.

It was a pretty, clear little brook flowing through the woods at the foot of the hill, but one day a great stone, loosened from its place in the hillside came crashing down and lodged in the stream, checking its course and hindering its flow. The water beat against the obstruction, dashed in white foam against its sides, and sent its spray-like teardrops on every side. But the stone was immovable. A few weeks later, however, the brook was found flowing peacefully again. It had changed its course a little, had worn for itself a new channel around the stone, and was rippling and singing on its way once more. Into many human lives comes some unexpected barring of the way. We may spend our strength in wild revolt, or like the wise little stream, we may accept it, patiently mark out the best possible course around it, and go on our way still singing.—*Rev. J. R. Miller.*

Oakwood Junior College, Huntsville, Ala.

The Oakwood Junior College has been established twenty-two years. It is located in a fertile valley five miles northwest of the city of Huntsville on a farm of 358 acres of land. The campus is situated on an eminence which affords a broad and comprehensive view of the surrounding country. The city is in plain view. According to instruction which has been given us in regard to the location of our institutions, Oakwood is situated in the country. We are living in a land of fresh air and sunshine, long summers and mild winters, and apart from the noise and dust of the city. As we drive out from the city, on entering the farm we pass through a large gate, over-arching which in large letters appear the words "Oakwood Junior College." On the right of the drive leading to the buildings is a grove of pine, oak, and chestnut. On the left are broad cultivated fields. We have eight buildings located about 150 feet apart, all on the outside of a large open circle. Formerly our campus was heavily wooded with great oak trees (150 in number at one time) but only a few of those giant sentinels of the forest remain. They are being replaced by a young growth of walnut, maple, and cedar. The buildings are dressed about with beds of flowering shrubbery which furnish a profusion of bloom from March until September.

The purpose of this school is to train colored workers to supply

the various departments of our organized work with men and women who are qualified to labor in our different fields of missionary endeavor among the colored population of our country. Our ministerial course is carried on with the purpose in mind to supply our organized conferences with ministers. The normal course has the object in view of supplying our church schools with teachers. The Bible workers and church officers' course is maintained to supply our organization with Bible workers and church officers. The nurses' training course has the object in view of equipping these workers with a knowledge of the laws of health and temperance, and also with a knowledge of how to treat diseases and how to serve the sick and suffering colored people. We believe this to be the most efficient means at this time for the advancement of evangelistic and educational

A mission school is also operated by the girls in the normal department for the benefit of the negro children of the community. The attendance has varied from sixty-five to eighty. By the presence of our institution in our own local community, the percentage of illiteracy has been reduced from 65 per cent to 25 per cent in the last five years. The attendance in our training department last year was 135.

Financially the negro is very poor. There are in the State of Alabama alone 95,309 negro farm tenants. The average size of these farms is about twenty-six acres. These twenty six acres are divided about as follows: nineteen acres in cotton, five acres in corn, and two acres of miscellaneous crops. Each of these negroes owns on the average, according to the 1910 census report, one mule, one cow, two pigs, and fourteen chickens.



The Spring Council, Huntsville, Ala., April, 1917. The men who decided that the Oakwood School should be enlarged

interests among the colored people. Seventy-five per cent of our colored workers are young men and women that have previously been students at the Oakwood school. At this time young men from our ministerial course are conducting meetings in tents or halls in nearly all of the leading cities of the South. These young men are loyal in every sense of the word to our organization. As yet, not one of these workers has ever been a leader in an apostasy.

Oakwood is a place where the dignity of labor is maintained. There is no great excellence without great labor. Booker Washington has ably said that true greatness does not consist in doing extraordinary things, but in doing ordinary things in an extraordinary way. It is the purpose of the managers of the Oakwood school to make the institution serve its own needs in every way just as far as possible. To this end industries and trades are carried on. They are as follows: farming, gardening, fruit-growing, poultry raising, black-smithing, printing, broom-making, carpet making, sewing, and all domestic work. This school also operates the saw-mill. These industries are carried on in such a way that the benefits are mutual to both the students and the institution. A large amount of work is thus furnished to the students, so that many are enabled to work all, or part of their way through school, and at the same time such things are produced as the institution itself consumes, or makes use of. Aside from serving the school, these industries in many ways are of service to the neighborhood.

The house that he lives in, his barn, shed, and chicken house inventories on this land average \$189. From these facts it can be easily seen that these farmers are one crop farmers of the most dependent type. They are large purchasers of foodstuffs for both man and beast, because five acres of corn averaging fifteen bushels to the acre will not keep the family and the stock. Neither will two acres of forage make a sufficient amount for his needs, hence the remainder of his foodstuff must be bought through the purchasing power of the cotton. His landlord is his furnisher, and carries him from year to year. In this wasteful system little or nothing is left for the negro at the close of the year. It can be easily seen that this man has nothing with which to educate the son or the daughter. If they ever acquire an education it usually comes from some outside encouragement.

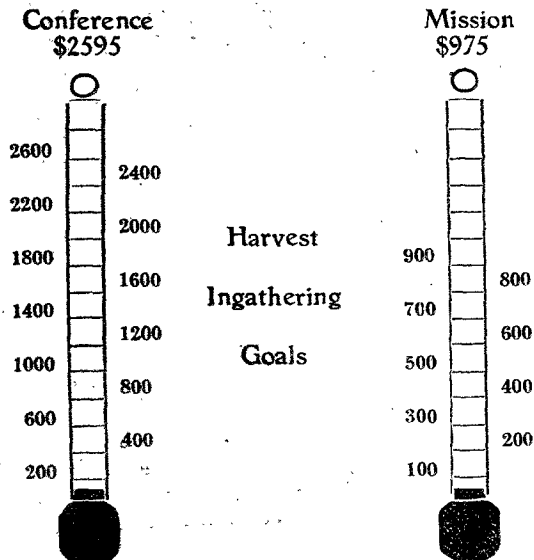
In an educational way the American negro is in need of help.

At a meeting of the North American Division Conference Committee which was held at the school last April, it was voted by this body of representative men to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 with which to double the capacity of this institution. It is the plan to erect a new college building, a boys' dormitory, extend the girls' dormitory, equip this school with a good library and science department, and install several minor improvements all necessary to complete a good junior college.

Sabbath, October 20, has been set apart to ask our people by contribution to remember this important work.

CLARENCE BOYD.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE



Honor Roll

Mrs. B. E. Wagner	Lexington
Miss Mary Aldridge	Lockport
James Hickman	Louisville

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign

The Harvest Ingathering campaign is starting off in earnest. On September 27 Sister Wagner wrote: "The Harvest Ingathering papers came Tuesday morning. I went out two days and now have five dollars in cash and pledges and have given out only fifteen papers. The Lord is surely opening the hearts of the people to give."

Mary Aldridge, of Lockport, stopped about half an hour at Pleasureville on her way home and raised over a dollar, and sometime later she went to New Castle, where in about two hours she raised about \$5 more, making a total of \$6.10 which she has raised so far.

Brother Hickman writes, "I got \$5.50 and wish I had twenty-five more Harvest Ingathering papers. I had a fine meeting at Locust Branch."

Elder Dow raised over a dollar on the train while going to Nicholasville, and Elder Keate raised over \$2 on the train while going to Lockport and returning.

Brother Wagner reports that the Hartford church gave \$55 for missions on Sabbath, September 29, in addition to their thirteenth Sabbath offering, and that nine signed the goal cards on the Harvest Ingathering. He also says that two of the young people are expecting to attend Ooltewah, and two others desire to be baptized. The believers at this place have decided to erect a church building and have pledged the following: The land, \$100 cash, flooring, sills, all the rough lumber, and all the members promised to help with the work. They voted to start the building November 1 and complete it by December 31 if possible.

News Items

One of our canvassers writes: "I feel very thankful for the good delivery the Lord helped me to make this week. I trust that all the workers have sent in good reports."

Brother J. W. Wilhelm, one of our new canvassers, was in the office Sunday with a good report of his work and experiences.

Miss Gladys Ruth Clark, of Meridian, Miss., arrived in

Louisville Sunday night and will take charge of the Louisville (white) church school.

Elder R. I. Keate has returned to the office from a visit to the Lockport church. He brings an encouraging report which may be read in a separate article.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign has been launched, and the outlook is encouraging for its success. The goal has been set for \$5 per member, though of course we will expect to gather in all we can. Those who reach the goal of \$5 or more will have their names placed on the Honor Roll. At this writing we are glad to report three names on this list.

The Work at Lockport

From Sabbath to Monday, September 29 to October 1, I was with the church at Lockport, preaching each day and twice on Sunday. After the service Sunday afternoon I baptized six young people, five of whom had presented themselves, when Brethren Wagner and Brownlie held some meetings there a few weeks ago. Sister Aldridge desired to be baptized, as she had not been baptized when she came into the church.

On Sunday afternoon we held a business meeting at which officers were elected and the names of those who had left the truth were dropped. As seven new names were added, the church membership remained the same. The outlook at Lockport is very encouraging. The members are of good courage and are planning on an extensive missionary campaign far exceeding any previous record of theirs in Harvest Ingathering work. Mary Aldridge, of this church, has raised \$6.10, being the second to report having passed the \$5 goal. There is a good outside interest in the truth at this place, and we confidently expect to see the church grow spiritually and numerically. They hope to have a church school soon.

Brother Harp, from this church, expects to enter the canvassing field, and possibly Brother Otis Wallace will join him in this work. If possible we will hold some meetings at this place this winter.

R. I. KEATE.

Nicholasville, Ford, and Covington

On September 1 I started from camp-meeting to visit the churches. At Nicholasville I found Brother Wheeler of good courage and willing to help raise the mission fund. At Richmond we held two meetings. I found some outside interest. There is also an interest among the colored people which I trust may be followed up. At Ford we held several night meetings. It was a spiritual uplift to myself, and I trust was to all present. The Lord seemed to be in the meetings to bless us all. On Sabbath, September 30, we celebrated the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon we had a missionary meeting, and the brethren set their Harvest Ingathering goal at \$110, or \$5 per member. They signed the goal cards and seemed to be pleased to be able to do something for the Lord. It is a great encouragement to the workers when all take a part in the work. They are planning on having a church school. They are also planning on repairing the church. Each of them expects to win a soul to Christ this year. I left the Tri-City church at Covington feeling well repaid for the time spent.

O. A. Dow.

Western Kentucky

I am now making a tour visiting the churches in western Kentucky, and where convenient making short calls with isolated members. Before leaving Lexington we had a good meeting, and 225 Harvest Ingathering magazines were ordered.

My first stop was Irvington, where Sisters Monahan and Neafus are faithfully living the truth. They signed the Harvest Ingathering goal cards for \$5 each. Brother Monahan will move on a farm this month so he can keep the Sabbath. On my way to Hartford I stopped off to see Sister Hall and chil-

dren at Fordsville. Two cottage meetings were held, and the few neighbors who came in were quite interested. Sister Hall was much encouraged by the meetings.

All were busy canning tomatoes at Hartford, but we had well attended meetings just the same. The individual Harvest Ingathering goal cards signed amounted to \$37, and the mission offering given Sabbath was \$55, besides the regular thirteenth Sabbath offering. Saturday night a business meeting was conducted, and plans were laid to build a church. The members showed their desire by donating the following: a lot, all the rough lumber, sills, flooring, and \$100 in cash. All volunteered to help erect the building, and a carpenter gave his whole time to lead out in the work. The ladies promised to furnish the church

when completed. The Lord came near, and a spirit of willingness to take hold of the work was manifested by all. Two "Christ's Object Lessons" were ordered:

The colored believers in Owensboro were of good courage. They pledged \$10 to missions and signed the Harvest Ingathering goal cards to raise \$37.

A number of the members of the Henderson church who moved away last spring are planning to return soon. The mission offering there amounted to \$33, and the Harvest Ingathering goal cards signed came to \$22.

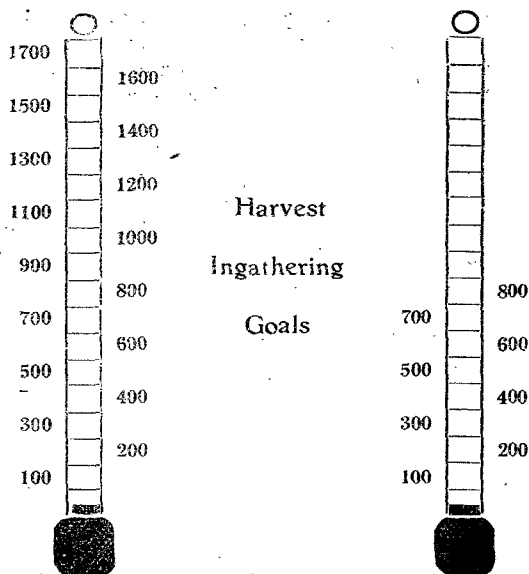
I certainly enjoyed my visit at each of the above places and heartily thank all for the cooperation given. Surely the Lord has set his hand to finish the work.

B. E. WAGNER.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Conference
\$1755

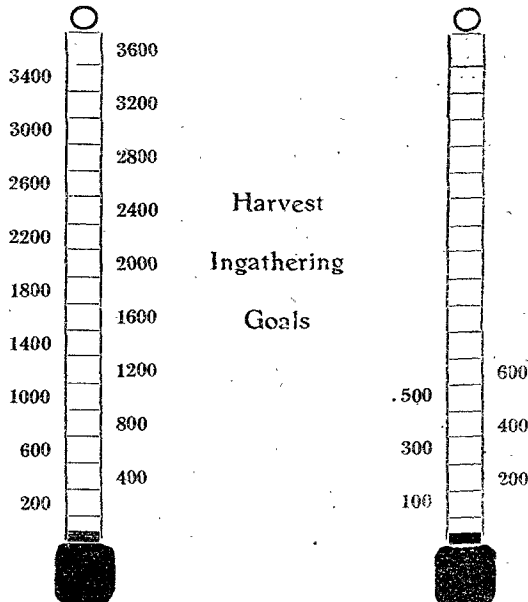
Mission
\$790



TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Conference
\$3495

Mission
\$600



The Work at Seale

Another month has passed, and I have spent all the time here at Seale. The Lord has blessed me and enabled me to work hard. I have preached forty-six sermons, given ten Bible readings, made sixty missionary visits, have baptized eight persons, and have obtained the names of twenty-five people who have covenanted to take the Bible as their only rule of faith, to believe the doctrines of the Bible as taught by Seventh-day Adventists, and to take the name of Seventh-day Adventists. They have pledged themselves by the help of the Lord to keep the commandments of God and have the faith of Jesus. Two of those whom I baptized are a young man and a young woman about eighteen years of age who plan to start for Ooltewah to attend school and prepare themselves for Christian work. I brought my meetings to a close today in order to get ready to go to Fullerton to hold a series of meetings.

I ask you to pray for me, brethren, that greater success may attend my work there. Remember these dear ones who have just been brought into the truth, that they may become stronger and stronger in it and become of material assistance in advancing the third angel's message in all the earth until the work is done.

O. F. FRANK.

Christianity brings happiness and harmony into life, by putting us into right relationship to life — to God and our fellow-men.

Harvest Ingathering

Another year has gone, the Harvest Ingathering is here, and it is time for all of us to decide how much we will do to help it along. We are one year nearer the end, with a vast work to be done in warning the world of its approach. There is a greater need of funds for the prosecution of the work now than ever before. God has gone before us and prepared the way for us to raise the needed funds, for while other countries are being desolated and impoverished by the great war, our own country is enjoying an unprecedented wave of prosperity. We are selling to our allies vast quantities of supplies; and, as if to enable us to meet the demands made on us, God has blessed us with splendid crops; and these crops are bringing higher prices than ever before. Our mines and factories are running overtime, and our transportation facilities are working to the limit of their capacity. We are not only the richest country on the globe, but there is more money in the hands of the people than ever before. Surely the Lord would be pleased if we would call the attention of the people to the cause of missions and ask them to contribute something to help in warning a perishing world of its approaching doom.

THE NEED IS GREAT. THE CALLS ARE URGENT. THE CAMPAIGN IS ON, and never was there a more opportune time to raise money than the present. Surely our people will respond to the call

of the hour and help us to make this Harvest Ingathering the most fruitful one in the history of this field. WHO WILL RESPOND?
W. R. ELLIOTT.

Called to Be Witnesses

In a special sense Seventh-day Adventists have been set in the world as watchmen and light-bearers. To them has been entrusted the last warning for a perishing world. On them is shining wonderful light from the Word of God. They have been given a work of the most solemn import,—the proclamation of the first, second, and third angel's messages. There is no other work of so great importance. They are to allow nothing else to absorb their attention.

The most solemn truths ever entrusted to mortals have been given to proclaim to the world. The proclamation of these truths is to be our work. The world is to be warned, and God's people are to be true to the trust committed to them. They are not to engage in speculation, neither are they to enter into business enterprises with unbelievers, for this would hinder them in their God-given work.

Christ says of his people, "Ye are the light of the world." Matt. 5:14. It is not a small matter that the counsels and plans of God have been so clearly opened to us. It is a wonderful privilege to be able to understand the will of God as revealed in the sure word of prophecy. This places on us a heavy responsibility. God expects us to impart to others the knowledge that he has given us. It is his purpose that divine and human instrumentalities shall unite in the proclamation of the warning message.

So far as his opportunities extend, every one who has received the light of truth is under the same responsibility as was the prophet of Israel to whom came the word, "Son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me. When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou doest not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou has delivered thy soul." Eze. 33:7-9.

Are we to wait until the fulfilment of the prophecies of the end before we say anything concerning them? Of what value will our words be then? Shall we wait until God's judgments fall upon the transgressor before we tell him how to avoid them? Where is our faith in the Word of God? Must we see things foretold come to pass before we will believe what he has said? In clear, distinct rays light has come to us, showing us that the great day of the Lord is near at hand, "even at the door." Let us read and understand before it is too late.

We are to be consecrated channels, through which the heavenly life is to flow to others. The Holy Spirit is to animate and pervade the whole church, purifying and cementing hearts. Those who have been buried with Christ in baptism are to arise to newness of life, giving a living representation of the life of Christ. Upon us is laid a sacred charge. The commission has been given us: "Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matt. 28:19, 20, margin. You are dedicated to the work of making known the gospel of salvation. Heaven's perfection is to be your power. —"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. IX. pages 19, 20.

The vast majority of seekers after God are not strivers. "Strive to enter in."

Colporteurs' Report

Week Ending September 29

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
T R BattleBR	51	47	\$109 50	\$ 3 75	\$113 25	\$
U Bracy*BF	66	16	27 50	18 30	45 80	47 50
R J CookBF	80	4	9 25	1 50	10 75	33 00
J E Foley*BR	47	2	8 00	4 75	12 75	202 00
G W PowersBF	23	18	36 00	4 55	40 55	
Bibles			21 95		21 95	10 30

Totals (Agts. 5). 267 87 \$212 20 \$32 85 \$245 05 \$293 80

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Warren Judson* BR	52	43	\$157 50	\$ 5 25	\$162 75	\$ 1 50
W H WhiteBR	30	1	3 50	2 80	6 30	168 00
Lee PageBR	27	20	73 00	2 25	75 25	
Andy Schroader BR	28	8	28 00	. 60	28 60	3 50
I E BradleyBR	34	22	63 00	6 30	69 30	
Jno W Wilhelm BR	51	37	136 50	3 25	139 75	3 25
Hatton FordBF	20					57 50
Arthur OwensBR	50					255 75
Lindsey Cooper CK	4	1	2 00		2 00	
Jeff HickmanBR	5	2	8 00		8 00	19 50
R B RoweBR	25	19	65 00	12 25	77 25	12 25

Totals (Agts. 11) 326 153 \$536 50 \$32 70 \$569 20 \$521 25

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

F W SchmehlBR	57			\$	\$	\$264 00
M B Wilson*BR	94					304 00
J B Hardy*BR	58					197 00
G B Boswell*BR	88					408 50
M S Hubbell* Misc	80			83 25	83 25	
Bibles						42 50

Totals (Agts. 5). 377 \$83 25 \$83 25 \$1216 00

G'd Totals (A. 21) 970 240 \$748 70 \$148 80 \$897 50 \$2031 05

Summary to Date

	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total
Alabama Conference . .	12358	\$16558 55	\$ 883 55	\$17442 10
Kentucky Conference . .	12072	18809 85	1278 58	20388 41
Louisiana Conference . .	5128	13307 60	399 35	13703 95
Mississippi Conference .	10804	28338 75	1673 62	30012 37
Tenn. River Conference .	9604	13395 50	1702 20	15097 70

Totals 50066 \$90410 25 \$5937 28 \$96347 53

Three Essentials

There are three things which will keep a Christian alive—reading the Bible, prayer, work. From the first he obtains spiritual food, sustenance, strength. From the second, in God's presence, he secures a right estimate of himself, confidence in the preciousness of God's constant presence. From the third he learns his own inefficiency to do God's work, his lack in knowledge and power, his inability to reach lost souls, and gets the wonderful inspiration of working for others, and he is thus driven to the Word and to prayer. Normally, each makes more necessary the other two, and the three thus used develop a worker with Christ.—Selected.

"It is easy enough to see why other folks should be patient."

* Two weeks.

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Are You Disappointed?

Did you hope to be in school this fall? And has the time for opening come and gone, turning your hope to disappointment? Never mind, the Correspondence School is still open to you, and Theodore Roosevelt has said, "I look upon instruction by mail as one of the most wonderful and phenomenal of the developments of this age."

Students are finding out that they can make up work and keep it up in this way when they are deprived of the privileges of our other schools. Our student work has more than trebled the past three years, and our students are doing well. Elder Daniells says, "I believe your school is conferring an unspeakable benefit upon our people." Write me before you sleep, and let me tell you more about this matter.

C. C. LEWIS, *Principal,*

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"Eclipsing the War"

In some quarters the industrial situation is commanding first attention, and the prospects for the future are anything but pleasant to contemplate. From dictating legislation to Congress with a time limit, labor has now entered into open conflict with the government, a most unexpected circumstance a few years ago. Mighty significant, you say. Indeed it is. Prof. G. W. Rine in the concluding paragraph of his masterly November *Signs Magazine* article, says: "Be not forgetful of the fact that all students of economics and industry are one in predicting an industrial collision, a class war, in the immediate future." See a copy of the November number; you will want some for your October missionary activities among your neighbors.

Publications

"We should multiply publications on our faith in English, German," etc. "Let our publishing houses do all in their power to diffuse to the world the light of heaven." "Our publications have a most sacred work to do in making clear, simple, and plain the spiritual basis of our faith."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. VII, pages 160, 150.

Southern Junior College

News Notes from Collegedale

Mr. Ward, our farm manager, is enjoying a visit at his home in Stapleton, Ala.

Mr. Bernard Noble, of Hawk's Park, Fla., has arrived at the college to take up school work the coming year.

Mr. Hector Moncada, of La Ceiba, Honduras, Central America, is here to attend school.

Mrs. Ward, of Cartersville, Ill., is visiting her children, Victor and Velma Ward.

Miss Gladys Ruth Clark, of Meridian, Miss., spent Sabbath at the college with her brother, Ralph Clark.

Miss Nora Dye of Chattanooga, spent Saturday night and Sunday in Collegedale, visiting Sister McGee and family.

Prof. E. C. Waller, Sister Josephine Gotzian, and Mrs. S. J. Miller, of Candler, N. C., and Brother John Brownsberger, of Naples, N. C., were recent visitors at the college.

Elder Branson and Professor Tucker were here last Thursday.

Proofreading Our Lives

In the printing office you will often find that the first sheets which come from the type are exceedingly imperfect. Here is a small letter where there should be a capital; here a comma where a period should stand; here an "m" has fallen in where there should have been an "r"; here a word was omitted, there a whole line; here is a misspelling which makes a whole sentence contradictory or ridiculous. What do they do? Proofread, and send back for correction. Often this is not sufficient. Again the keen and practised eye of the reader scans the page, detecting errors; again he marks them with his own peculiar signs and sends the copy back.

Some of the pages of our lives may have been very imperfect. They are deformed with a great variety of errors. We have put in many things we should have left out, and left out many we should have put in. Some things have been small which should have been large. Sometimes we have gone on where we should have stopped. Here is a huge blunder which has made our lives a perplexity to those who have tried to understand them. There is something positively ridiculous.

What are we going to do about it? Be satisfied with such copy and go on repeating the errors? By no means. Proofread it. Mark the blunders clearly. Indicate the true reading in the margin of life. One effort may not be enough; the probabilities are, in most cases, it will not be enough. But we must patiently repeat the process. The good proofreader is pained with a single error in the completed page, even though it be so small as to escape the ordinary eye. Sometimes the printer is not altogether to blame for the mistakes; the manuscript may be illegible or erroneous. We, however, have a perfect pattern before us day by day—Jesus Christ.—*Exchange.*

A blessed thing it is for any man or woman to have a friend; one human soul whom we can trust utterly; one who knows the best and worst of us, and loves us in spite of our faults; who will speak the honest truth to us while the world flatters us to our face and laughs at us behind our backs; who will give us counsel and reproof in the day of prosperity and self-conceit; but who will comfort us and encourage us in the day of difficulty and sorrow, when the world leaves us to fight our battles as we can.—*Charles Kingsley.*

"Crises develop among nations, households, and individuals to make God's interpositions become more marked."