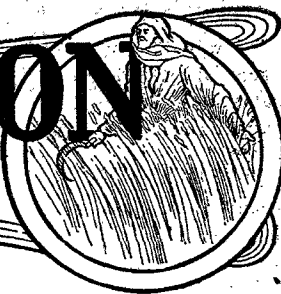


SOUTHERN UNION WORKER



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

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The Book Work in the Union

From down in the Delta region of Mississippi as my train is speeding along bearing me onward to where I am to assist for a few days with a \$4,000 delivery of "Daniel and Revelation," I wish to send a word of good cheer. I have been inspired again and again as I have glanced from my window and observed the ripened crops of cotton and foodstuffs on every available patch of ground. It seems that every effort of man to produce a crop of any kind has been bountifully repaid by an abundant harvest. As I have observed the cotton pickers proceeding through the fields sometimes six, eight, and ten abreast, and other laborers, gathering the ripened fruitage of the field before it shall perish by the foul weather of the coming season, I have thought of the work in God's great harvest field, and have wondered if all those whom he has called to be laborers in his harvest are working as faithfully and industriously that none of the ripened fruit fall to the ground before the harvest is finished.

It is gratifying to note that our colporteurs, like an organized army, are marching victoriously forward, and are achieving unprecedented results in placing the truth-filled volumes in the hands of the waiting people. It gives us joy unspeakable to be able to minister the food of the spiritual life to such hungry souls. The conditions in the world in general have created a great demand for our literature, and the wave of financial prosperity that has swept over the country has made it possible for these people to purchase the things desired. It behooves us to work as never before that every home in this Southland may be visited with the printed page while conditions are so favorable.

I am glad to know that the deliveries are coming out so nicely. I have yet to learn of the first one that has fallen below 90 per cent, and most of the reports run considerably above that. This shows that the people are not only waiting for their books, but are able to pay for them when they come.

Now that our camp-meetings are in the past we should see our lines greatly strengthened. It seems that quite a number have not yet gone into the work, but we are not surprised at this, as there is always more or less fluctuation that comes into the work at this time, but we must not allow this to become greatly extended. Time is too precious, the opportunity too great, and the need too urgent.

You will be pleased to know that we have made another good gain in our sales in the Southern Union in September. As we have received the regular monthly report from but two conferences, we are unable to give the exact figures, but from the information we have in hand, we are certain that we made a gain of over \$8,000. We consider this a very good report, September being the camp-meeting month. However, we could not have rendered as good a report as this if it had not been for our splendid camp-meeting book sales, which account for fully two thirds of our total sales for the month.

The work is onward, and we are marching forward to definite victory. Soon the work will all be over, and the final record made up. What will be your verdict in that day? Our actions today are determining the answer then. M. W. SHIDLER.

For Such a Time as This

When has there been a time in the history of our work so favorable as the present for giving to the people the spiritual comfort of Bible truth and for making known the advantages and benefits of Christian temperance and true healthful living? Perhaps never has there been an opportunity for rendering practical service in so many ways as is offered us in the present occasion of world need. As a denomination we ought to be prepared to help most materially in the present crisis, and at the same time make our service tell on the side of Christian influence and pure religion.

We are in times that are trying men's souls. Faith in God and Christianity is being tested as never before. Men and women are asking, If there is a God, why does he permit such things as are now taking place? Those who know the meaning of these things, and who have known for years what is coming upon the world, should now, as never before, make clear to others the truth that will sustain souls through what we already see and through the more trying times to come.

God makes provision for all that his cause must meet. The truth is more than equal to every need, and will survive the severest test. And, moreover, it is given the people to enable them to pass through the very experiences which tempt them to deny it.

The present world trial does not find God unprepared, nor should it take his people by surprise. The word that the gospel is to be preached in all the world was given at the same time that wars were foretold. And the present gospel movement is just such a one as is intended to meet the unusual needs of the time and to survive them.

Now is the time for Christian men and women to take heart. Faith should show itself. Courage should be revealed. Practical religion should be exercised. As never before should Christians make known the worth of their profession.

As a people, we can now in the fullest manner make use of all the excellent means and facilities of service that God has so graciously bestowed upon us. We can scarcely speak of doors of opportunity being open — there are no doors; everything is open. A clear field is offered to every agency of good.

While through preaching and printing we point people to the spiritual help now so timely, we may also, in an unusual manner, impart great blessings, material and spiritual, by means of our health principles. The truths of temperance and healthful living, with which we have so long been acquainted, are now generally recognized. They are advocated, not only as emergency measures for the present crisis of need, but as best for people at all times.

The rapid progress made toward a general recognition of health and temperance principles calls for an action on our part that will enable us adequately to meet new conditions. We have long stood as exponents of many things that are now widely proclaimed and generally accepted. Shall we measure up to the standard of our profession? Shall we make good our claims of advantage in our manner of living?

The war did not make it a fact that alcohol is harmful, that vegetarianism is beneficial, that whole-grain bread is good, and that people should practise simplicity of living. These things were true before the war, and will be just as true when the war is over. Health truths were not given merely for war-time use, but for times of peace as well. And, as we know, they have a deeper meaning, a wider reach, a higher purpose, than the physical ends which they so fully serve. Those who know all this should tell it.

With all the instruction that is coming to us through newspapers, magazines, and government bulletins, and by practical demonstrations of public teachers and lecturers, there is more than room for the individual instruction and help of the neighborly housewife who knows by experience and practise how to do the things that are now demanded. Our sisters who know how to prepare vegetarian meals, to make good graham bread, to can and dry fruits and vegetables, to plan economical but wholesome dishes, can be of service to those who wish to learn.

Meatless days and economical living are right in our line. We know these things so well that it may not occur to us that others need considerable help in getting hold of them. Many people are so situated that they are not reached by the public avenues of instruction now open. Some do not know how to avail themselves of the help offered. We can assist in many ways.

Some of the things we have held as gospel truth are now proclaimed by governments. The efforts of the various agencies interested in conservation of food and health may not go far enough, but surely we can give support as far as these efforts go, and can help as much more as we know how to do.

We can tell of the waste and injury caused by tobacco using, of the harm in tea and coffee, of the misuse of means and strength, and of many other abuses; we can call attention to the permanent good to be derived from a right course in eating and drinking. We can show the divine claims upon our health and strength, and God's solicitude therefor. We can point out the higher service of right living, and urge obedience to all God's commands.

Our public speakers, ministers, doctors, and others can make good use of the opportunity offered for presenting topics that are now popular. We have had, and may have, occasion to oppose certain measures of religious legislation, but now is an occasion for showing support of measures that are generally conceded to be for the welfare of humanity. Thereby we shall also show the sincerity and well meaning of our attitude in rendering to God that which is his and to Cæsar that which belongs to him.

Is it not a time for us to throw ourselves into a definite, positive effort to help? Is it not better to study how we can cooperate in the things that are good, rather than to spend effort and time in mere criticism of that which is faulty? Is it not for such a time as this that the Lord has given helpful measures and saving truth? And who, so much as we, should be in the position to make these known?—*L. A. Hansen.*

State of the Dead

Jesus said to Mary, "Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father." When he closed his eyes in death upon the cross the soul of Christ did not go at once to heaven, as many believe, or how could his words be true—"I am not yet ascended to my Father"? The spirit of Jesus slept in the tomb with his body, and did not wing its way to heaven, there to maintain a separate existence, and to look down upon the mourning disciples embalming the body from which it had taken flight. All that comprised the life and intelligence of Jesus remained with his body in the sepulcher; and when he came forth it was as a whole being; he did not have to summon his spirit from heaven. He had power to lay down his life and to take it up again.—"*Life of Christ*," No. 6, by Mrs. E. G. White, page 22, Edition 1877.

The Missionary's Desire

O spirit of the loving God!
Arouse thy church to spread abroad
The gospel of thy grace,
Till all mankind thy love shall see,
In Jesus' name shall bow the knee,
And idol worship cease.

Lift your eyes, the fields are white;
Laborers few, the harvest great;
Short the day, and dark the night.
Pray ye, to the Master pray,
Send the workers forth today.

Why Conserve Wheat?

Why is wheat rated so much higher than other grains as a human food? Is it because it contains nutritive elements not found in other grains? Is wheat bread in reality the "staff of life?" From recent investigation it would seem that the only real superiority of wheat to other grains lies in the property of its flour to rise and make a light bread.

Then why should we send wheat to Europe and eat corn and other grains ourselves? There are two principal reasons. In the first place, in France, especially where wheat is most needed, the people do not know how to make bread in the home, and corn bread is a home-made bread, not a baker's bread. In the present time of stress when women are doing double duty it would not be feasible to force them to take on the additional task of learning to bake bread. If we wish to be of real service to the French women and children we will send them wheat.

Another reason for sending wheat is that in that part of Europe which wants our wheat they have no mills for grinding corn, and cornmeal could not be shipped without danger of spoiling.

In addition to the motive of helping to feed Europe, there is the motive of economy. Even at the present high price of cornmeal, it is cheaper than wheat flour.

The Food Administration, moreover, is not asking that we do entirely without wheat. If we have one "wheatless" meal a day, it will be sufficient. Dinner may be made the wheatless meal without much trouble, inasmuch as potatoes offer a good substitute in the menu for wheat bread, and it is a simple matter to include potatoes with the other vegetables served. If, however, breakfast is the meal that seems best adapted to be the "wheatless" meal, delectable substitutes for wheat bread are obtainable in cornmeal muffins, mush, or rolled oats.

Gems, muffins, rolls, when made from mixtures of wheat and other flours—such as rye, cornmeal, barley, etc.—save some wheat, but do not of course constitute a wheatless meal when served instead of the usual wheat bread, as they all contain greater or smaller quantities of white flour.

Delicious breads that might be served more frequently may be made from one grain, such as corn, barley, or rye, without the use of yeast or baking powder, as the writer of this article can testify. For years he has had bakers bread three times a day. Since he has gotten back to the use of these other types of bread at breakfast, he wonders how he ever got along without them.

The Food Administration is sending out recipes for making bread which saves wheat. Directions for these may be obtained by request to the Home Economics Section of the Food Administration at Washington.

"Grow Up" Mal. 4:2

All blemishes and deformities are left in the grave. Restored to the tree of life in the long lost Eden, the redeemed will "grow up" to the full stature of the race in its primeval glory.—"*Great Controversy*," page 645.

Rural Schools

Flatwoods Industrial School, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

When I was first asked to come and help at this place as a teacher, I did not like the idea very well; but as I thought it would only be for a term or two, I consented. My ambition was to be a medical missionary. The school has grown, and I am still in this work, and also in the medical work. The work of caring for the sick seems to demand more time than I can give to it.

The first year we spent here I devoted my time to getting acquainted with the people and offering suggestions regarding the care of the sick. The people were a little afraid of my water treatments. By degrees I have gained their confidence, and now they send for me sometimes before sending for the doctor. I have been on cases with at least five different doctors practising in this section, and all of them have expressed themselves well pleased and satisfied when they know I am on the case.

I was called out to a case one night at a house where the mother and father of the child were deaf and dumb. The mother had had a pot of dried apples cooking on a low stove with a brick for support when the stove tipped over, throwing the hot water and apples on the six-year-old boy, who was standing near. The mother saw it; and instead of looking after the child first, she fixed up the stove before attending to the burns. When I got there the child's legs were almost a mass of blisters from his thighs to below his knees. I dressed the burns, and stayed all night. In all, I made fourteen trips there after school hours. It was very cold weather, and I walked a couple of times a distance of about three miles because the roads were too bad for the horse. They had no doctor on that case, and the parents were well pleased with the result of my work. I received at the rate of twenty-five cents a trip for my care of this case."

A boy was brought to my home with a sore on his head as large as the yolk of an egg, and equally as thick. There were half a dozen smaller sores on his head. He had been to a doctor, but was no better. After examining the sore, I found it to be a rotten scab, and I picked it off until I came to the healthy flesh. After a few treatments, the boy's head was well.

Many sick babies are brought to me to be treated. We had an epidemic of cholera infantum this summer, also an epidemic of colitis, which kept me busy.

I had a case of blood poison in the arm, with erysipelas setting in. This patient was a woman; and to save making two trips a day, I brought her to my home for three weeks. I had to treat her night and day, and had to have her arm lanced twice. She almost lost her arm. The doctor told her she was fortunate to have a nurse so near.

At this writing I am on a case of typhoid fever and malarial infection. Some time ago I nursed this same family through measles with six children down at once. I have directed the feeding of a baby of three months, which was slowly starving to death, until now the baby is growing nicely and gaining weight.

Cases of all kinds are brought to my home. They come at all hours of night and day, including meal-time. I have to give treatments on a bed in our principal living room beside the kitchen. We need a place where we can give our patients sweats, and baths, and enemas, with conditions more favorable than in the chief living room of a small house. We feel very keenly the need of treatment rooms especially suited to the work. There are many cases of biliousness requiring enemas. If the patients are left to take these in their own homes, they will not. They do not understand how. They have never used a syringe, and are very shy about doing anything of this kind for themselves. When they call me, the people, as a general thing nowadays, have plenty of hot and cold water

ready before I arrive; for, as they tell others, "Mrs. Reese calls for plenty of water." Some whom I have shown how to use the water treatments now treat themselves, and get some results, although very few get the idea of the right kind of fomentation cloths.

The people are watching us as a company closely, and have asked why we do not have doctor's bills to pay, etc. One little fellow in a family of six where there was typhoid and the doctor vaccinated them, wanted to know why Mrs. Reese was not vaccinated. His brother spoke up, and said, "Oh, Mrs. Reese never takes anything."

We need medical supplies. In most cases, I use them without any charge. Usually the people are too poor to pay, but some do. We need a treatment room very much, as some weeks I have a patient every day. Other weeks I do not have so many, but when they come I need a room very much.

Our place is getting to be well known among the people; and when a neighbor sees me going, he wants to know who is sick. When I go to nurse in a home, I usually take what fomentation cloths I have, also hot water bottle and enema can; for the people do not have anything of that kind to work with. There was a case where I tried to bring out the measles, and all they could give me for a fomentation cloth was a man's undershirt. At another place, in order to give a woman a hot pack, I filled fruit jars with hot water and packed them all around the patient, which brought good results.

We can make use of clothing here, as sometimes the children cannot attend school because of their clothes and shoes. Our winters are wet and cold, with bad roads, which keep the children out of school. We need first, second, and third readers of our "True Education Readers," as the parents feel they cannot pay the price of new ones. We need tools to work our farm and garden. The first and second years we were here we had almost complete failures of garden and farm crops on account of poor soil and the lack of tools and horses.

We try to make it our business to do the Lord's work first, although it seems that our own is just pushing us to the limit. The night is never too dark or stormy to go out to help others. We were in the midst of canning when the call came to attend a boy who was bleeding at the nose so badly that he was becoming faint. I just put the work aside, and went. This same boy had another spell when the doctor and I were there, and I used my adrenalin chloride, which saved the boy. The doctor was pleased, and he afterward said, "I should carry some of that medicine with me, but I don't."

From our friends in the North we received a globe for our school, which was bought with five and ten cent collections from our people, as a good sister in the church kindly volunteered to see that we had one. This same sister sent us a "True Education Reader" No. 1 (new), and also gave us a second-hand fifth reader, which we are using in our school study.

We find that the children take home the little Bible stories which are taught in the school, and the parents usually have to acknowledge that they do not know as much as their children about the Bible. To show how backward some of our pupils are, I will tell you of one family which has just moved in from Alabama and is going to send some of its children to our school. One child, about nine years old, is in the Primer; one eleven years old and also one fourteen years old are in the second reader.

The children all seem to want to come to our school, and some little ones beg their parents to send them in bad weather. We are going to add more classes for the girls this year, such as elementary domestic science, which, with the other work, will take about seven-eighths of my time.

MRS. H. L. REESE.

The Friend

A friend is a person who is "for you" always under any suspicions.

He never investigates you.

When charges are made against you, he does not ask proof. He asks the accuser to clear out.

He likes you just as you are. He does not want to alter you. Whatever kind of coat you are wearing suits him. Whether you have on a dress suit or a hickory shirt with no collar, he thinks it's fine.

He likes your moods, and enjoys your pessimism as much as your optimism.

He likes your success. And your failure endears you to him more.

He is better than a lover, because he is never jealous.

He wants nothing from you, except that you be yourself.

He is the one being with whom you can feel safe. With him you can utter your heart, its badness and its goodness. You don't have to be careful.

In his presence you can be indiscreet, which means you can rest.

There are many faithful wives and husbands. There are few faithful friends.

Friendship is the most admirable, amazing, and rare article among human beings.

Anybody may stand by you when you are right; a friend stands by you even when you are wrong.

The highest known form of friendship is that of the dog to his master. You are in luck if you can find one man or one woman on earth who has that kind of affection for you and fidelity to you.

Like the shade of a great tree in the noonday heat, is a friend.

Like the home port, with your country's flag flying, after long journeys, is a friend.

A friend is an impregnable citadel of refuge in the strife of existence.

It is he that keeps alive your faith in human nature, that makes you believe it is a good universe.

He is the antidote to despair, the elixir of hope, the tonic for depression, the medicine to cure suicide.

When you are vigorous and spirited you like to take your pleasure with him; when you are in trouble you want to tell him; when you are sick you want to see him; when you are dying you want him near.

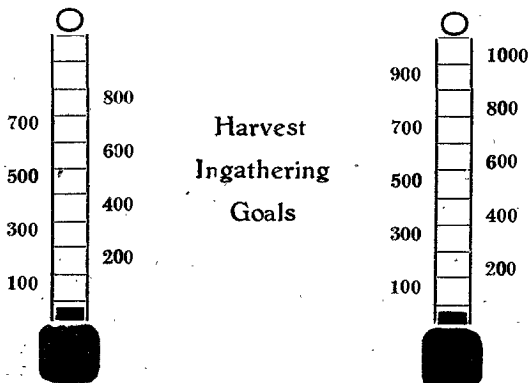
You give to him without reluctance and borrow from him without embarrassment.

If you can live fifty years and find one absolute friend you are fortunate; for of the thousands of human creatures that crawl the earth, few are such stuff as friends are made of.—*Selected.*

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

Conference
\$855

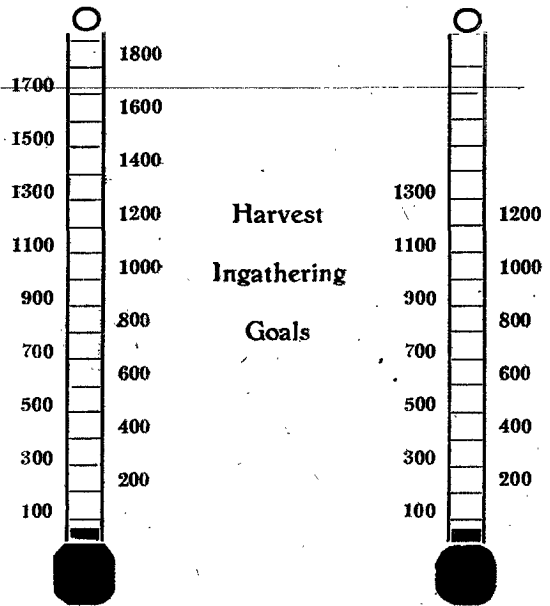
Mission
\$1005



ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Conference
\$1875

Mission
\$1325



News Items

Monday, October 15, Brother M. L. Wilson, our state agent, left the office to personally assist the colporteurs in making their deliveries. As a whole the laborers connected with the book work in Alabama are full of courage and good cheer, for every indication points to very successful deliveries.

Brother T. M. Woodruff, writing from Russellville, says, "Received my books that came by express. I had very good success the past week in my delivery."

Brother J. C. Holland, writing from Hartsells, says, "I am now ready to begin my delivery, and everything points to a successful delivery. My books are all O. K. Pray for me when I make my delivery."

Brother N. H. Waters writes from Hartsells, "We went up to the station yesterday and found our books waiting for us. I received just the number ordered. They check up all right. I made arrangements this morning for a horse and buggy. The buggy is a new one, and the horse is the best in town. Cotton is selling for twenty-seven cents here and is still going up. Every thing points to a successful delivery."

Brother Andral Clarke says that everything is in his favor and he is expecting to have a very successful delivery.

Brethren U. Bracy, R. J. Cook, and B. D. Crawford are working in Jefferson County and are having good success and are rejoicing in the privilege of engaging in this important work.

Brother G. W. Brown at Spiegner began his delivery the fifteenth and is confident that this will be his best delivery in years.

Several of the colporteurs in sending in their reports state they are simply too busy to write, but that the reports for the next few weeks will speak for themselves in a language that cannot be misunderstood. We trust that the WORKER family will remember in their prayers these earnest, God-fearing men who are giving their lives to the work and are now gathering in the visible harvest of their summer's work. There is not a discouraged man in the company, and those who wish to enter the work next year should begin laying their plans now to do so.

"The consciousness of duty is the command of God, and to disobey is to suffer."

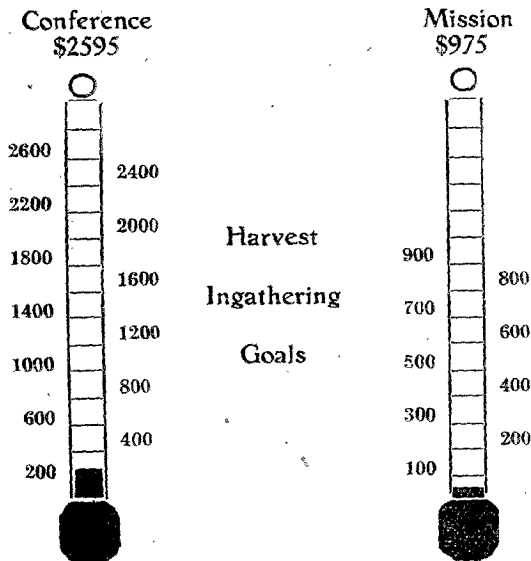
Kindliness

Blest be the tongue that speaks no ill,
Whose words are always true,
That keeps the law of kindness still
Whatever others do.

Blest be the hands that toil to aid
The great world's ceaseless need,
The hands that never are afraid
To do a kindly deed.

—Our Dumb Animals.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE



Honor Roll

LOCKPORT \$6.10

Mary Aldridge

CONFERENCE \$20.80

J. P. Salmon* Mrs. M. E. Cannon

LEXINGTON (WHITE) \$10.62

Mrs. B. E. Wagner Mr. B. E. Wagner

LOUISVILLE \$246.50

James Hickman* Mrs. C. Heinig*

Mrs. McNabb*****

James McNabb John McNabb

R. I. Keate** G. A. Davis

Miss Woodie Hollis Mrs. M. Ewald

Mrs. A. Todd*

LEXINGTON (COLORED) \$5.79

TRI-CITY (COVINGTON) \$3.48

DAVISVILLE \$4.00

An Important Meeting

A very important meeting of the Southern Union Conference Executive Committee was held in Nashville on Thursday, October 11. A number of important problems were acted upon. Those that concern this conference most directly are as follows:

A membership goal of 1,000 was set for this conference to be

*Each star placed after a name indicates \$5 raised in addition to the \$5 goal.

reached by the end of 1918. This seems large, for it means an increase of 50 per cent in about fourteen months. It can be done. We can do it if we will. But it means just what God expects of us, that every member will be a soul winner. Will you do your part? Don't say, "I can't," for there should be no such word in the work of the Lord. We can do *all things* through Christ who strengtheneth us.

To help us reach this goal it was decided that the union conference evangelist should labor in this conference next summer. This means a strong additional force here, and we can count on them, by the grace of God, to raise up a strong church.

Now, brethren and sisters, I appeal to you to accept the responsibility that God has placed upon you and enter with a vim into this great soul-saving campaign. As Christians, as Seventh-day Adventists, we have one great business in this world, and that is to save souls. So let us do our best, continually praying earnestly to the Lord, and with his blessing there is no doubt that we can reach the goal set.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign is on in earnest. Some are doing excellent work. We have set a large goal in this effort, but as God is our partner we must undertake great things, and it will not be difficult to reach the mark set if each member will do his part. We are rapidly approaching the end of all things, and if we ever expect to hear the words "Well done" spoken to us we must do our best. So, brethren, I again appeal to you to put forth your best efforts and let us reach this objective that we have started for in this present effort.

The Union Conference will also help us in this line by giving us the services of Brother C. E. Hooper, the home missionary secretary, to assist in every way possible.

R. I. KEATE.

Western Kentucky

On my way from Henderson to Bowling Green I stopped off at Hopkinsville to visit Sister Alfred Cook and her daughter. They were of good courage and made a pledge to missions.

We had three good meetings at the Bowling Green (white) church. On Sabbath morning an offering of \$50 was pledged. The colored church responded well to the Harvest Ingathering campaign and pledged \$10 to missions.

The brethren at Sand Hill were busy gathering their crops to save them from frost. Twenty-six dollars was pledged to missions, and several were anxious to start at once in the Harvest Ingathering work.

No meetings or Sabbath school had been held at Powder Mills for over a year, but all the members came together last Sabbath and enjoyed the meeting very much. They pledged \$16.50 to missions, and some Sabbath school quarterlies and Harvest Ingathering papers were ordered.

The total in cash and pledges to missions on this trip amounted to \$203.50.

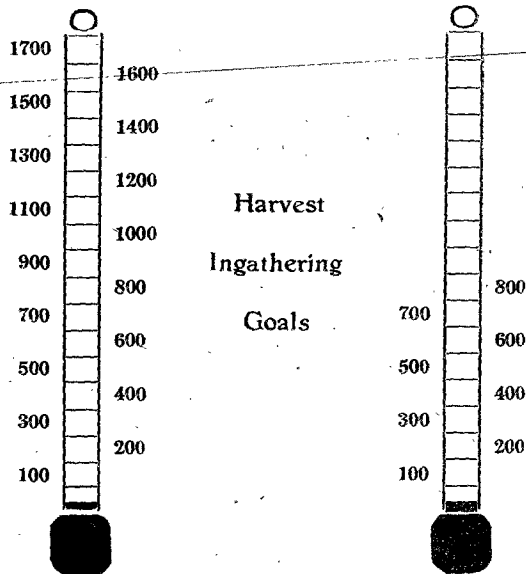
B. E. WAGNER.

Mrs. R. I. Keate's band of the Louisville church is the first band to reach the Harvest Ingathering goal. The band has nine members. Their goal was \$15, and they have reported \$194.56 to date.

Elder Keate attended a very important meeting of the Southern Union Conference Committee held in Nashville, October 11. While on the trip South he raised \$12 for missions, most of which was received on the trains while traveling.

The clerk of the Bowling Green colored church writes: "We received the Harvest Ingathering papers and all are getting busy. I hope to send in a good report. Pray for our success."

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Conference
\$1755Mission
\$790

Honor Roll

Elder W. P. McLennan	\$5.00
Mrs. J. T. Ezell	10.00
C. B. Dunham	5.00

News Items

The following members of the Sugartown Sabbath school were prepared at the close of the quarter to repeat all of the memory verses: Lena Johnson, age 12; Lulu Johnson, age 8; and Willis Johnson, age 8.

Charles M. Paden and family have just arrived in New Orleans, returning from the Bay Islands, where they have been laboring for the past two years. On account of poor health they were compelled to return to the States.

J. Reba Perkins, of De Quincy, La., has just returned to the Ooltewah school, having earned his scholarship by the sale of "Bible Readings" during the summer.

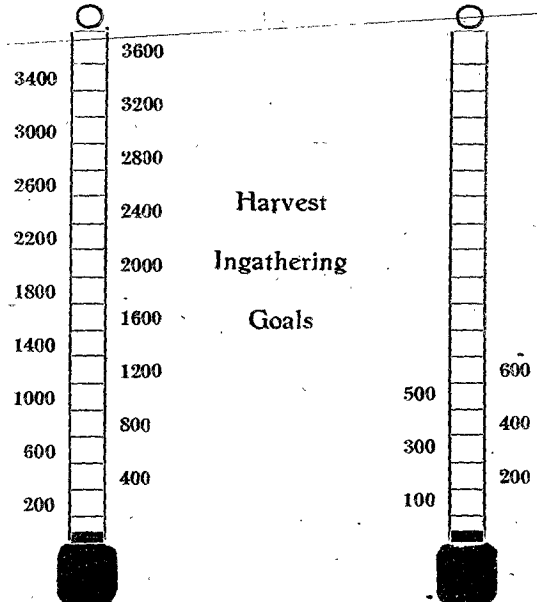
We are glad indeed to report another addition to the canvassers' list, having added the name of James Turner, who for his first week's work in East Lincoln Parish reports \$123 worth of orders, and says, "I praise his dear name that I am permitted to again take part in this glorious work of giving the glad tidings of a soon-coming Saviour to the people of Louisiana. It does seem good to get out among the people. They are troubled and anxious about the conditions in the world today, and it is a real pleasure to tell them of a refuge where they can have real peace."

Brother Coble has just finished his delivery in Bienville Parish, and reports it to be the best he has ever made, running about 103 per cent. And now he goes to work for a December delivery. The Lord truly is blessing in this noble work.

The New Orleans young people's society has formed into two Harvest Ingathering bands with Misses Lura Reed and Ruth Stuart as captains, and some have already entered heartily into the work.

A very enthusiastic class studying for the Standard of Attainment is meeting each Sabbath afternoon in the New Orleans church No. 1.

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Conference
\$3495Mission
\$600

Honor Roll

\$5 OR MORE

NASHVILLE No. 1

James Bellinger	R. L. Pierce
W. A. Harvey	H. A. Varney

NASHVILLE No. 2

Almetta Davis	Mary Williams
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News Items

The officers of the conference and publishing house management expect to do some personal work with the papers this year, as well as last. It is a campaign in which every one is "expected to do his duty."

Elder Widgery visited the Fountain Head church Sabbath, October 13, in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

The Nashville church has voted to make its goal \$5 per member, or for the church of 220 members the amount will be \$1,100. This is a good goal, and the conference will apply all the receipts from the fund on the twenty-cent-a-week fund. Up to October first the shortage of the conference was \$4,184.

Elder Videto visited the Ashland City church Sabbath, October 20, in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering campaign. The brethren and sisters there have always raised their twenty-cent-a-week fund, and as usual will do a good work with the Harvest Ingathering *Watchman*.

The Harvest Ingathering for Missions

"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 angels' messages. . . . The most solemn truths ever entrusted to mortals have been given to us 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."

The above quotation, from Volume 9 of the Testimonies, tells in a very forcible and clear manner just what is expected of every believer in the message, just what responsibilities lie before us, and our commission as a people. We are told further, by the spirit of prophecy, "If every soldier of Christ had done his duty, if every watchman on the walls of Zion had given the trumpet a certain sound, the world might ere this have heard the message of warning."

Now is the time to give this message. Who can tell but that a year from now the way will be hedged up? Many new developments come about each day and week, and the ease with which our work can be pushed now may not be the same just a little ways off. Intensity of action is taking hold of every earthly possession. Here we see a long freight train, each car marked "Government Material—No delay." A mobilization of the resources of the country is now going on on every side. Why should not the same carefully planned, well executed activity be visible in our own ranks? Should not every Seventh-day Adventist be a minute-man, ready for the call of the hour?

The campaign for the solicitation of money for missions is here again! What are you going to do? We are told by Sister White that it takes energy and consecration to make success; natural talents do not amount to very much without these two vital essentials. Who has not got energy? We should all

have consecration. The Lord can bless these two traits in an individual character, and success will mark the work of that particular individual. We have a good field to work in. The harvest is ripe, and most bountiful; high prices prevail, and the demand is unprecedented. Dollars should come into the mission treasury where dimes came in last year. The need is greater. Why should the people of the world hesitate to give more. The land is ours if we will go over and possess it. Do not be afraid that you will be refused. What matter that? The untiring work of a consecrated, energetic person will surely bring success. The people have the money and are going to give it. Many business men, particularly, feel now that they must give a "thank offering" to the Lord to cover their multitudinous sins, and if approached in the right manner they will give liberally. A brother in the Western Pennsylvania Conference has just received a check for \$1,000 for one paper. Many can secure large donations from business firms, banks, and other corporations.

The goal for each individual should not be lower than \$5. With an approximate membership of 800, our field should not go below the \$4,000 mark, and with our heavy shortage or deficit in our twenty-cent-a-week fund up to October first, it is readily apparent that all must seize upon this God-given opportunity to raise the money that the mission fields are needing so badly, and thus at the same time bring our conference out on its quota.

F. C. BRUCE.

Colporteurs' Report

Week Ending October 13

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
T B BattleBF	43	24	\$60 00	\$ 7 05	\$67 05	\$
U Bracy*BF	56	16	25 00	8 50	33 50	46 00
H L EdwardsBR	10					35 00
J C HollandBR	3	1	4 50		4 50	24 00
G W PowersBF	26	14	28 00	7 80	35 80	34 50
M S PeppersBR	26	16	60 00		60 00	
N H WatersBR	5					16 00
Bibles			3 85		3 85	

Totals (Agts. 7). 169 71 \$181 35 \$23 35 \$204 70 \$155 50

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

B E WagnerBR	17		\$	\$	\$	\$100 50
Jno W WilhelmBR	45	14	48 00	7 50	55 50	7 50
Hatton FordBF	38	52	92 00	5 25	97 25	5 25
Warren JudsonBR	44	30	99 00	10 00	109 00	1 25
Lee PageBR	36	24	85 00	4 20	89 20	
Andy SchroaderBR	35	17	62 50		62 50	
R J HyattBF	37	11	19 00	6 50	25 50	
I E Bradley*BR	30	11	51 50	6 50	58 00	15 00

Totals (Agts. 8). 282 159 \$457 00 \$39 95 \$496 95 \$129 50

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

F W SchmehlBR	55	3	\$10 50	\$	\$10 50	\$250 50
M S HubbellMisc	60			92*25	92 25	
John HarzmanBF	44	25	39 00		39 00	35 50
Jas TurnerBR	48	32	123 00		123 00	
R R CobleBR	67					368 00
J B HardyBR	32					156 00
Bibles						42 80

Totals (Agts. 6). 306 60 \$172 50 \$92 25 \$264 75 \$852 80

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE*

Drue BowenBR	86	100	\$432 00	\$25 75	\$457 75	\$
Emily BillupsD&R	51	4	10 50	8 50	19 00	
Henry BalsbaughBR	49	18	70 00	2 15	72 15	23 50
W E CovingtonD&R, BF13				75	75	22 00
L M CampbellBR	14			1 00	1 00	21 00
Annie May FinleyPPF	80					52 00
Perthia HamptonHM	40	18	56 00	14 05	70 05	
Hattie JacobsHM	22			70	70	69 90
AA JohnsonD&R, PG	26	6	19 00	3 20	22 20	
Mattie LeeHM	15	3	7 50	2 25	9 75	20 00
Lou J McElroyD&R	51	4	14 00	7 50	21 50	
M A MurphyD&R	22	9	26 50	10 95	37 45	3 50
Virgil SmithWW, RJ				39 35	39 35	
E A TaylorBR	35	28	101 00	7 50	108 50	
Annie WattsPPF						93 00
J L WallerD&R				2 10	2 10	42 00

Totals (Agts. 16) 504 190 \$736 50 \$125 75 \$862 25 \$346 90

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Loyd SwallenBR	39	8	\$28 00	\$	\$28 00	\$ 6 75
R Y HowardBR	30	17	59 50		59 50	5 50
R H HazeltonBR	34	12	44 00		44 00	
H G MillerD&R	45	11	41 50	2 25	43 75	1 50
Mrs Mollie MillerMisc	8			5 75	5 75	
J N WomackD&R	40	8	30 00	3 75	33 75	
Cleve SmithD&R	22	3	10 50		10 50	3 50

Totals (Agts. 7). 218 59 \$213 50 \$11 75 \$225 25 \$17 25

G'd Totals (A. 44) 1479 539 \$1760 85 \$293 05 \$2054 90 \$1501 95

Summary to Date

	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total
Alabama Conference . .	13055	\$17052 90	\$ 924 20	\$17977 10
Kentucky Conference . .	12618	19454 10	1351 26	20805 36
Louisiana Conference . .	5696	13480 10	491 60	13971 70
Mississippi Conference .	11308	29075 25	1799 37	30874 62
Tenn. River Conference .	9958	13687 50	1747 45	15434 95

Totals 52635 \$92749 85 \$6313 88 \$99063 73

* Two weeks.

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Churches Take Notice!

Want to Help Our Soldiers?

We are anxious to get in touch with every Seventh-day Adventist soldier in the United States. Will every church in the Southern Union see to it that the names of all the young men from that district who have been drafted are sent to the missionary volunteer secretary at the local conference office. Information will probably come from the secretary to the churches with regard to this, and I am hoping that every company will do all it can to help us in this important thing. Don't wait for the secretary to write to you, but write in to him with regard to this important matter. Much can be done if we do it immediately.

LYNN H. WOOD.

News Items

Elder S. E. Wight left Nashville Sunday night for Minneapolis, Minn., to attend the Fall Council of the North American Division Conference. He stopped at Battle Creek and other points on his way North.

Prof. Lynn H. Wood made a trip to Ooltewah Monday night to attend the opening of the Southern Junior College Tuesday, October 16. From here he went direct to the Hazel Academy at Hazel, Ky.

Brother M. W. Shidler has been spending the past week in Mississippi assisting in some large deliveries in that State.

Mr. C. E. Hooper, who was present at our union committee meeting last week, returned to Washington Saturday night to make final arrangements for coming to this field. Mr. and Mrs. Hooper will be in Nashville in a short time to take up permanent work in this place.

Mr. Roscoe Gray, who has for several years been employed in the Publishing House, left last Monday morning for Ooltewah, Tenn., to spend the school year at the Southern Junior College. His wife will join him there the first of the month. Miss Julia Inabinet, a stenographer in the Publishing House, and Miss Helen Curtis, daughter of G. H. Curtis, the union conference treasurer, also left Nashville Monday morning for the school, in company with Miss Ethel Merry, of West Nashville. We trust these young people will have a pleasant and profitable school year.

French Ingathering Magazine, "Les Signes Des Temps"

As the time has come to start the Harvest Ingathering campaign, we wish to call the attention of all our brethren to the French Ingathering magazine, *Les Signes des Temps*. This paper has the same cover as the English paper and is likewise beautifully illustrated. Its contents are such that it can be circulated among Catholics without arousing prejudice. As there are hundreds of French people in many sections, we believe that our members will have better success if they take along both the English and the French papers.

After the campaign is over we would be glad if those who have worked among the French would let us know approximately how much they collected among them. This information will enable us to send to the General Conference a report as complete as possible.

Send all orders through your tract society to the Pacific Press Pub. Assn., Brookfield, Ill.

We take this opportunity to renew the request to send to the writer the addresses of all French people who may become interested in our literature. Papers and tracts will be forwarded to them.

G. G. ROTH,

South Lancaster, Mass.

What Are Your Children Doing?

If they are *your* children, you probably know what they are doing; if they are the neighbors', what they do may greatly annoy you.

But are there not times when you may think, if you don't say, "What can I tell Willie, or Harry, or May, or Lucile to do to keep them out of mischief?"

"What to do" is the question. For your benefit, in that the children are made happy and instructed, there is a little book being published for *Our Little Friend* that really answers your problem. It tells them of something to do on rainy days, on Sabbath afternoons, something to do out of doors—simple toys to make and games to play. There are picture puzzles interesting and absorbing stories, ways of earning money; all these things and many, many others will be explained to your children's delight.

It will be a source-book of real pleasure for them nearly every day of the year. It abounds with pictures on every page, some in color. These pictures explain, instruct, and amuse. This big, little book will be obtainable as a premium for *Our Little Friend*—the children's own paper. Watch for further announcements explaining *how* your children can get a copy free.

WANTED:—A good place with some Adventist to raise a share crop, near a church school and church. Prefer place in Tennessee, but will take one anywhere. Address E. M. Blount, at Cobb, Tex.

Up to Standard

The November number of the *Signs Magazine*, which has just made its appearance, strikes us as being fully up to the high standard that has been set by the publishers. The cover and every one of the twenty-four attractive inside pages impress one with the thought that this number is about ideal for neighborhood work.

Although we have not as yet taken time to read it through, we regard the following articles as being most timely: "The Kaiser, the Bible, and Destiny"; "Mormonism in the Witness Chair"; "The Peace Proposal of the Pope"; "The Plight of the Profiteers"; "Meat Eating at the Bar of Science"; "His Pitiless Boomerang." Be sure to see a copy; you will want others.