

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

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## NOTES FROM THE CONFERENCE

The church at Fifth and Fatherland St. was filled and many stood during the morning services on Sabbath. Eld. W. W. Prescott occupied the hour. During the Sabbath School exercises, both the Sabbath School rooms in the basement and the auditorium above were in use. An entirely new division was formed composed of the delegates and visitors, each conference forming a class by themselves.

Eld. C. A. Hansen of Louisville, Kentucky, spoke to the Nashville Church and the new Sabbath-keepers at the Tabernacle Sabbath afternoon.

Other services were held for the ministers at the Publishing House Chapel and for the Bible Workers at the Union Conference office.

Sunday night Elder E. E. Andross spoke to a capacity audience at the Tabernacle, giving us a view of our work in India by means of stereopticon views. Many pictures showing the customs of these far Eastern people were shown, the evening being greatly enjoyed by all.

Brethren C. V. Leach and O. M. John of Washington, D. C., spent several days at the Conference; Bro. Leach representing the Home Missionary depart-

ment and Prof. John the Educational department.

Miss Sarah Peck, also of the Educational department, was present a few days. Miss Peck is visiting schools in this section.

Prof. W. E. Howell spent a few hours in Nashville Sunday. Bro. Howell is on his way to South America.

Prof. C. A. Russell of the General Conference Y. P. M. V. department spent several days at the Conference. His appeals for our young people met a hearty response in the hearts of all present.

Prof. Lynn H. Wood arrived Monday morning and presented a report of the Southern Junior College at the Conference session that day.

Prof. J. I. Beardsley was also present from Oakwood Junior College and reported for that school. Mrs. Beardsley was also a visitor.

The reports of the Southern Publishing Association were given Sunday morning by the Manager and Treasurer, Bro. R. L. Pierce and M. F. Knox.

The wonderful progress made by our book work and the change in the financial affairs of this important institution were brought vividly before us by these excellent reports.

Further detailed information will be furnished our readers in later issues.

A letter received from the Treasurer of the General Conference states the full quota for the year 1919 for foreign missions was raised and a surplus over this of \$382,517, making a rate per capita per week for the believers in America of 37c. The total amount raised for foreign missions was over one and one-half millions during the year.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given Friday, January 30, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing four years:

- S. E. Wight, President
- G. H. Curtis, Sec'y-Treas.
- G. H. Curtis, Auditor
- V. O. Cole, Field Miss'y Sec'y
- O. R. Staines, Home Miss'y Sec'y
- John C. Thompson, Educational and Y. P. M. V. Sec'y
- C. J. Buhalts, Field Financial Sec'y
- S. E. Wight, Religious Liberty Sec'y
- T. G. Bunch, Evangelical Dep't (white)
- J. H. Lawrence, Evangelical Dep't (colored)
- Anna Knight, Home Miss'y and Educational Dep't Sec'y

The delegates were given a real treat in the way of music by

the singing of the former "Watchman Male Quartette" on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. J. L. McConaughy, Home Missionary Secretary of the Lake Union Conference, arrived that morning and the quartette was united again after several years' separation.

Several selections were given at the afternoon meeting and at the evening service at the Tabernacle.

The other members of the quartette are Messrs. H. L. Morphey and R. C. Gray of the Southern Publishing Association

staff and G. H. Curtis, Treasurer of the Union Conference.

We were glad to welcome Brother McConaughy to the South again for a two-days' visit.

The final meeting of the Conference was held Wednesday afternoon, closing with a praise service. Some of the good things said at this meeting we hope to give our readers in later issues.

Elder S. E. Wight, Professor Thompson and Brother Curtis left Wednesday night for Collegedale to attend a meeting of the Southern Junior College Board.

increase of 210 in membership has been far below what we wish it had. However, it might be well to add that we have cleaned our books, and we feel that the figures showing 1,029 members represent our real membership. In looking over our force of workers and making our plans for the future, it seems as though we can see the breaking of the day. Here in Nashville Elders McComas and Gray, assisted by a corps of workers, are in the midst of a successful effort. A large number have begun to keep the Sabbath and many more are in the valley of decision. Elder A. N. Allen is now conducting an effort at Hillsboro that promises success.

Four church buildings are either under construction or have been completed during the year. In Memphis, Elder Wood has been conducting a continuous effort, a splendid brick structure, located on the Speedway and worth about \$20,000.00 finished. It is now out of debt and ready for dedication. Elder Glenn C. Russell, who carried on a successful effort in Paducah, Kentucky, this past summer, is pushing to completion a stucco building which will be a credit to our work in that city. At Abiff, Tennessee, where Brother Frank Artress and his wife have been conducting a rural school, the Bon Aqua Church has just enclosed the auditorium of a fine bungalow church which should be ready for dedication by the close of the quarter. The Jackson colored church has secured a new church home.

#### BOOK WORK.

Compared with our sister conferences, our book work looks so small that we would gladly pass it by unmentioned, but in that way it would be conspicuous

## Quadrennial Report of the Tennessee River Conference

Those who have watched with interest the steady growth of the work in the Southland will be glad to know that the work has advanced in the Tennessee River Conference along with this general progress made. In this Conference and Mission we have witnessed many evidences that the one who has begun a good work is amply able to finish it.

As workers we face the future with courage, expecting that God will do great things for us as we consecrate all to His service.

#### FINANCIAL.

In this Conference the tithe during the last four years has increased from \$11,333.00 to \$32,463.81, a gain of \$21,130.81, of which amount \$13,563.99 came during the year just closed. In the Mission during the same period the tithe increased from \$1,677.45 to \$4,128.91, a gain of \$2,451.46 and a total gain for the Conference and Mission of \$23,582.27. Last year our per capita was \$39.25 for the whites and \$20.44 for the colored.

In our Mission funds we have

reached our goals this past year, notwithstanding the fact that several months we have had no Home Missionary, Sabbath School, Young People's or Educational Secretary, and during part of this time the Conference has been without a President, as Elder W. R. Elliott was called to Mississippi and it took considerable time for me to close up my work in Birmingham. Right here it might be well to mention the fact that at last we have our departments manned. We have secured the services of Brother Ira R. Sheirich of Washington, D. C., as Home Missionary Secretary, and are glad that he can be here with us at this Conference. Brother Earl R. Hudson, of Miami, Florida, has been appointed Educational and Young People's Secretary and will be with us about the first of April. With these aggressive young men added to our office force, we feel that marked progress will be made in these important lines.

#### EVANGELICAL.

During the past four years our

by its absence. We can simply say that during the past year we have made a gain of 71%, and pass on the word that we are still gaining. Brother R. R. Brooks, our new Field Secretary, is firing the old colporteurs with a new zeal and also producing new ones. We feel that we can say with confidence, watch us grow, and surely we have plenty of room. It might be of passing interest to you to know that the Tract Society notes are all paid off, and we have a present worth of \$5,240.79, also that this past year it turned over to the Conference for evangelistic work a donation of \$500.00.

By way of general summary we now have 18 churches in the Conference and four in the Mission, with 18 paid laborers for the white and 5 for the colored. There are 24 Sabbath Schools in the Conference and 4 in the Mission, with a total contribution to missions for 1920 of \$6,080.81, a gain of \$3,344.24 over that of 1916.

In taking a general survey of the four years, we can see that God has blessed in a wonderful manner. We feel that He has especially blessed us in bringing together a corps of workers who are willing to blend their talents and cooperate in a way to make the work a success. As a committee, we are planning to so group these workers that they will make strong teams, and with these teams we expect to work as fast as possible the large number of cities where this message has never been proclaimed. We ask your prayers that the God of heaven may bless us as we push forward the banner of the cross.

I. M. MARTIN.

"Our grand business is, not to see what dimly lies at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand."

## Quadrennial Report of Louisiana Conference

To my fellow-laborers, brethren and sisters, and delegates assembled in the quadrennial session of the Southern Union Conference, greeting:

As we look back over the past four years, we feel thankful that something has been accomplished for God in helping to finish His work on the earth.

The terrible war during this period has, we believe, caused our workers to seek God as never before. We acknowledge the blessing of God in all departments of the work, and thank Him for the success that has attended the efforts of all workers. We have only words of courage and cheer to bring to the delegates.

For the blessing of health that has in general been enjoyed by the workers, we give thanks to God. With sorrow we mention the death of our fellow-laborer and brother, Elder James A. Morrow, who died of influenza, Dec. 7, 1918. He was laid to rest with the full assurance that he awaits the reward of the faithful.

### Book Sales.

Considering the weather and the climate, Louisiana is an ideal field for Christian Colporteurs. They can spend the entire year in the field.

The report of our field missionary secretary is very encouraging. The retail value of books and periodical sales for 1919 was \$47,151.00. This has been our banner year. We are certain that the results of our faithful colporteurs will be seen in the salvation of souls.

The retail value of tract society literature sales in 1916 was \$10,623.89; for 1918, \$25,903.30, and for 1919, \$47,151.00, making a grand total of \$100,647.99 for the past four years.

It may be of interest to compare the total sales of the bien-

nial period of 1914-1915, which amounts to \$14,413.25 with the sales of 1919, which was \$47,151.00, or an increase of over 300 per cent.

### Sabbath School Work.

The Sabbath School department renders a very encouraging report. The membership at the close of 1919 was 610. During the quadrennial period the offerings amounted to \$8,674.63, 1919 being our banner year, the offerings amounting to \$2,552.01.

### Home Missionary Department

We are glad to report an increased activity in this line of work under the leadership of L. E. Christman. There was an earnestness on the part of our people to engage in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, one encouraging feature being the large increase in the number engaging in the work, the results being that \$2,653.21 was secured. A departure from former methods proved very successful. We refer to the use of the mission boxes. The first night these were used the children of the New Orleans church, No. 1, secured \$55.00.

### Educational and Y. P. M. V. Work.

The educational work is by no means discouraging, though there has been no increase in the number of schools over last year. One church failed to have a school because no teacher could be secured.

The Volunteers are rejoicing that their department has gone way over the top in nearly all lines of their goal, the most encouraging one being the number of young people added to the church, which was fifty-three. The number of native workers in Borneo, for whose support their financial goal was set, may be three instead of one.

**Financial.**

During the quadrennial period the funds raised from various sources were as follows: Book sales, \$100,647.99; Sabbath school offerings, \$8,674.63; mission offerings, \$9,433.91, of which the Missionary Volunteer department raised \$1,629.51; for home missionary work, \$141.38; Harvest Ingathering, \$5,167.51; tithes, \$36,769.26, a total of \$160,834.68. One church paid during the past year an average tithe of \$49.00 per member, and an average of 47 cents per week for mission offerings.

**Evangelical.**

The laborers have been blessed during this period and there were added to the conference membership 157. As previously reported through the "Worker," and the "Review," the effort in New Orleans, conducted by Elder T. G. Bunch, resulted in the addition of forty-two to the New Orleans church. The total membership of the conference at present being 394.

At present we have two ordained ministers, three licentiates, one Bible worker, and three missionary licentiates, a total of nine conference workers.

**Louisiana Mission.**

The work in the mission department has shown a healthy growth, and we feel sure that this will continue. We have four organized churches, two church buildings, one in New Orleans, and one in Hammond nearing completion. The total membership as last reported, is 216. This brings the total conference membership, white and colored, to 610.

As the result of the tent effort in 1918 by Elders Lawrence and King, and the follow-up work, 103 have been added to the New Orleans church, No. 2.

**Financial.**

The mission department raised during the quadrennial period: Tithes, \$8,809.01

## COLPORTEURS' REPORT

### SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE FOR WEEK ENDING JAN. 31

**TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE**

Name	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv'd
Louis Rayford	DR,BR	46	51	\$205 50	\$3 00	\$208 50	\$ 6 00
Virgie Wilson	CK	41	55	119 50	3 00	122 50	2 00
W S Herron	CK,PPF	46	32	103 50	7 30	110 80	
James Nicholson	CK	53	45	98 00		98 00	6 00
Mollie Hurdle	CK	37	37	89 50	5 00	94 50	
Geo Wallace	GC,CK	33	2	6 00	1 70	7 70	93 60
Henry Cheshier	DR	35	15	77 50	9 00	86 50	10 00
H S Baskerville	DR,BR	35	11	51 50	6 00	57 50	85
Dr S L Grant	CK	36	14	32 00		32 00	
W C Franklin	CK		11	22 00	2 00	24 00	
G F Knapp	CK	21	3	7 50	7 00	14 50	
Wm J Keele	DR,BFL	4	1		1 00	1 00	3 50
Total		385	277	812 50	45 00	857 50	121 95

**KENTUCKY CONFERENCE**

Lee Crutcher	BR	39	16	\$68 50	\$4 25	\$72 75	\$ 1 25
Mrs Lee Crutcher	OD	8	11	27 50	6 00	33 50	
Wm Fort	HM	25	47	121 50	3 50	125 00	5 00
Mrs Wm Fort	BR	3			25	25	19 65
Mrs G Gratehouse	HM	17					5 00
Jeff Hickman	BR	7	12	59 00		59 00	
M L Howard	BR	37	40	198 00	7 00	205 00	
Claud Hughes	BR	39	38	185 50	13 00	198 50	
Wm Martin (2wk)	BR	52	24	110 00	7 75	117 75	8 00
Lee Page	BR	12	33	149 50	25	149 75	25
G H Slaughter	HM	25	35	94 50		94 50	5 00
Total		264	256	1014 00	42 00	1056 00	44 15

**LOUISIANA CONFERENCE**

T Longware	BR	54	82	\$467 50	\$5 75	\$473 25	\$ 4 75
W C Causey	BR	36	44	209 50		209 50	
R R Coble	BR	37	31	153 50		153 50	
G B Richardson	OD	43	59	139 00		139 00	
W C Martin	OD	31	48	124 00	2 00	126 00	
L B Spear	BR	43	33	161 50		161 50	
W D Bush	DR	15	11	52 50		52 50	
A Watson	BR	6	10	45 00		45 00	
R N Kerr	BR,OD	41	15	37 50	85	38 35	28 25
A Pendas	BR	13	1	4 50		4 50	112 00
R W Babylon	OD	25	1	2 50		2 50	17 00
Bibles				5 65		5 65	2 20
Total		344	335	1402 65	8 60	1411 25	164 20

Sabbath school offerings, \$2,169.11; mission offerings, \$2,001.16; Harvest Ingathering, \$1,291.51, or a total of \$14,270.79. This makes a grand total of conference and mission funds gathered of \$175,105.47 for the past four years.

**Our Needs.**

Our greatest need is Spirit-filled workers with a determina-

tion to do their part in fulfilling Matt. 24:14. We need at least one French, one Italian, and one English minister and two Bible workers.

With gratitude to God and faith in the speedy triumph of this message, we enter the new year.

C. N. SANDERS,  
President.

## MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

C R Cannada	DR	31	19	\$105 00	\$19 50	\$124 50	\$221 50
George McGee	DR	47	17	103 00		103 00	4 50
Mrs B W Watson	BR	11	9	50 50	3 09	53 50	
Mrs E Warren	DR	19	9	42 50	4 26	46 75	16 00
Mrs I Harrell	DR	3			5 00	5 00	
M Hastings	BR	4	3	13 50		13 50	
E Clark	OD	17	3	7 50	6 90	14 40	5 00
West Brown	BR	23					10 50
Floyd Booth	BR	3	1	5 00	1 20	6 20	8 00
Bibles						17 85	
Total		158	61	327 00	39 85	366 85	265 50

## ALABAMA CONFERENCE

G W Brown	CK	47	9	\$18 00	\$1 70	\$19 70	\$19 20
B F Harmon	BR	16	9	45 00		45 00	
Clayton McNeil	BR	53	53	251 50	7 25	258 75	4 50
N F Nelson	BR	37	12	52 00		52 00	45 00
E V Sykes	BR	108	66	325 00	22 75	347 75	20 50
M E Whatley	BR	60	30	138 00	8 00	146 00	
Myra Wing	BR	25	8	37 00	12 00	49 00	6 00
Bibles							10 50
Total		346	187	866 50	51 70	918 20	105 50
Grand total		1497	1116	4422 65	187 15	4709 80	701 30

## Dates for Colporteur Institutes

Alabama	White	February 8-17
Mississippi	Colored	February 18-27
Louisiana	White	February 29-March 9
Tennessee River	White	March 10 19
Louisiana	Colored	April 2-11

## Report of Mississippi Conference

Mississippi has a population of a little more than two million.

42 per cent white.

56 per cent colored.

21 churches, 10 white and 11 colored.

Membership, white 229, colored 185, total 414.

There are eight church buildings in the Conference, four white and four colored. Other churches worship in rented halls or private dwellings. Lots have been bought in Greenwood, and Meridian, and Jackson, and we have the money to erect two buildings, one in Jackson and

the other in Greenwood. At Greenwood the church bought the lot and have \$500 now in hand for the erection of the church building.

The Tract Society has erected a nice office just south of the church on Gallatin Street, at a cost of \$3,800.00. Here we can store part of our campmeeting outfit, and also have room for books and a good packing and shipping room, and the offices for Brother Taylor, Schmehl and the stenographer. These offices are well lighted and steam-heated. The brethren have al-

ready moved in. Some new furniture has been installed.

The Conference plans some changes in the old office building that will give us more light and ventilation, thus making it more comfortable than before. Rails will divide the different offices, so that each will have his own compartment. These changes will cost in the neighborhood of \$200.00.

## Tithe and Mission Offerings.

Our tithe shows an increase over last year of \$4,221.33. It totals for both Conference and Mission \$13,830.88. The Mission tithe has increased \$1,673.-51. We reached our quota for missions in Mississippi and some over. Both the Conference and the Mission paid out, though the Mission was until right up to the end of the year doing so. We raised in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign \$1,687.26. Our goal was \$2,000, and we fell short of reaching it \$317.74. We are sorry for this, but still we feel that the brethren and sisters did well, and feel sure they will do better in the next campaign. We raised in the campaign of last year \$536.60 more than in the one of the year before. So you see we are improving, brethren, and you can trust us to do better next time.

## Home Missions

Bro. Chauncy Smith is our Home Missionary Secretary and is doing a good work in the field. Our churches are small and we have many isolated members and his work has to be done largely from house to house. This makes it slow, but he is optimistic and full of enthusiasm and feels that he will be able to make this the strong side of our work if given time. He is organizing societies in the churches, and is endeavoring to enlist the isolated membership in the work too, but

this goes more slowly than the other way. Since so many of our people are isolated it makes more work for him in trying to keep in touch with them from the office, but this has to be done if they are to be kept in touch. Brother Smith is also Medical Secretary and is doing what he can to interest nurses and others to locate in Mississippi and work among the people. He is also trying to instruct the churches and isolated members along the lines of healthful living, etc. We would be glad to get in touch with consecrated nurses who feel a burden for the work in the South, and would like to have them consider Mississippi and its needs.

Miss Nannie May Smith is our Educational, Young People's Missionary Volunteer and Sabbath School Secretary. We have nine church and mission schools in the Conference. Of these four are white, with 59 students, and five are colored, with 81 attending. One colored school is self-supporting, and all the white are so. One hundred forty children are attending these schools. In a few places we have buildings for these schools, but in some places they are taught in rented rooms or in rooms in private dwellings. In Natchez the Mission owns a splendid school room, but has no school and has not had for some years. We hope to see this school in operation again, the Lord willing.

There are seven Young People's Missionary Volunteer Societies in the Conference, with a membership of 97. Many of our young people are isolated, so that it is very hard to get them all organized into societies. Like the Home Missionary work, much of the work in this department has to be done from the office by correspondence. It is about the

only way to reach and keep in touch with them. Miss Smith spends much of her time on the road, visiting these isolated ones, and in this way is able to accomplish more than would be possible in any other way. The societies we do have organized are, of course, small.

The Sabbath School work is prospering. There are 31 Sabbath Schools in the Conference. There are also 22 Home Sabbath Schools. So many of our people are living far from others of like faith, and Miss Smith has tried to get them into the Sabbath School band, so she has encouraged them to organize little home Sabbath Schools. The offerings for the past year were \$3,053.69. Each quarter shows a gain over the preceding one as follows: 1st quarter \$580.27, 2d quarter \$766.87, 3d quarter \$906.59, 4th quarter \$953.79—a total of \$3,053.69. This is an increase over the previous year of \$1,281.20. For this increase we feel very thankful, and hope that the year just entered may show as encouraging an increase at its close.

In the spring of last year Elder McLennan began an effort in Hattiesburg. His meetings were very well attended, and the church there gave him what help they could. Sister Balsbaugh was with him most of the time. Several accepted the truth in this effort, and at its close the brethren felt that the work there would not be finished till a suitable place was provided for the church to worship in. Elder McLennan found a building on a corner lot in a suitable part of the city that was bought for \$600. He then went before the people of the city and raised \$1,800, and with this money a new roof was put on the house, and other needed repairs were

made, a furnace was put in, and some good oak pews were found in the city that were purchased, and this with a new coat of paint put the building in very good repair and it makes a very suitable house of worship. This building had stood vacant for some time, but the next day after Elder McLennan had closed the trade for it, other buyers came with the money in their hands to buy it. Surely the Lord held it there for us.

The Red Circle Club, a commodious building in the heart of Hattiesburg, has been recently secured through the efforts of Elder McLennan, and we are planning to begin an effort there the first of March, with Elder McComas in charge. Elder Gray will assist him in this effort. This building will seat 1200 to 1400 people easily and is well lighted and heated, and we consider ourselves very fortunate to get it. We shall use the papers and in every way endeavor to get the people out to the meetings. It is hoped in this effort to greatly strengthen the church in Hattiesburg. Other efforts will be held in the State, but just at present our plans have not been all worked out. The membership of the Conference was increased by the addition of 30 members above our losses. For this we feel thankful to God.

God prospered the book work in the field perhaps more than the work in any other department. While we give God the praise for it all, yet we feel that Brother Schmehl was the instrument God chose to use most largely to accomplish the truly wonderful results achieved last year. Fifty-two colporteurs worked all the time, and 25 worked part time. This was a total of 77 colporteurs out of

total membership of 414, or a little more than 20 per cent of our entire membership. The colporteurs took orders for \$110,000 worth of books during the year, and delivered \$70,000 worth. The Tract Society sales totaled a little more than \$81,000 for the year. Brother Schmehl hopes to have one hundred colporteurs in the field this year, and we hope to sell \$100,000 worth of books, and are working and praying to this end.

I could tell you some truly wonderful experiences if I had the time. I could tell you of a black boy 16 years old, who in four months took orders for \$5,930 worth of books. I could tell you of Aunt Emily Billups and her work, how at 75 years of age she walks through the country selling our truth-filled books. I could tell you of another woman who can scarcely read or write, who in four months took orders for more than \$4,000 worth of books. I could tell you of Brother Cannada, who delivered almost \$7,000 worth of books, but I will not take your time now, except to say that I have heard nothing of God's providences in the foreign fields that has not been fully equalled down in old Mississippi. Down there God has absolutely demonstrated that His strength is made perfect in weakness. The great volume of business done has kept Brother Schmehl very busy in the field, and Brother Taylor, with Brother Lager and Miss McIntyre to assist him in the office, is kept quite busy filling orders and replying to communications from the field, together with the business of the Conference. Brother Taylor has had to work many times until late at night, often until far past midnight, to keep up.

Mississippi Conference has two ordained ministers, the Tract

Society Secretary and his assistant, the Field Secretary, Home Missionary Secretary, Sabbath School, Y. P. M. V. and Educational Secretary, two Bible workers, and one stenographer. The Mission has one ordained minister, one licentiate, and two Bible workers. Elder Dow was with us, but his health gave way and he was obliged to leave us. He and his wife are now in Colorado. The Mission also pays a good share of the salary of the teachers of the colored schools.

Elder Buhalts was president of the Mississippi Conference for a little over two years, and it is largely through his labors that the work in that field has prospered so lately.

W. R. ELLIOTT.

## TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

### Tennessee River News Items

Brother W. C. Franklin, from the Oakwood Junior College, has come to Tennessee to canvass. He is now working in Mt. Pleasant with Brother Herron. You will see his first report in this issue of the WORKER.

Brother Herron is getting along splendid in his work. Last week he took \$110.80 worth of orders. He has just started in the canvassing work the last few weeks.

Bro. Louis Rayford has given up his work assisting the colporteurs and is now out with a prospectus. Bro. Henry Cheshier is taking his place. Bro. Cheshier is assisting Brethren Herron and Franklin at Mt. Pleasant. He has also been to Murfreesboro to see Brethren Price and Nicholson, who are doing faithful work there.

Brother Brooks left the office

Thursday morning, after the Workers' Meeting, for Franklin, Tenn., to see Bro. G. F. Knapp, who has just started in the canvassing work. From there he is going to assist Brother Schneckloth, who is over at Clarksville.

Virgie Wilson and Mollie Hurdle, who are canvassing at Paducah, have been doing excellent work. Sister Wilson took \$122.50 worth of orders last week. She started in the canvassing work after the colored institute.

Brother R. H. Sheirich, from Washington, D. C., attended our Workers' Meeting in Nashville during the past ten days. Bro. Sheirich has been chosen as our Home Missionary Secretary. He is very enthusiastic over the work here in this field. After the Workers' Meeting he left for Washington, where he will spend several weeks getting his work finished up there and then he will come to our field.

The following brethren attended some of the Workers' Meetings: Dr. Will Mason, Brother Munn, Brother H. G. Miller and wife, and Brother Frank Artress.

Elder Martin left Wednesday evening for Ooltewah, where he is to attend the Board Meeting. He will return to the office Thursday. Immediately after returning he expects leave on a business trip to New York City, where he will be for several days. As soon after his return as possible he plans on visiting a number of our churches throughout the conference.

### LEST WE FORGET—

Those sending in orders to the Tract Society should accompany their orders with cash, as the Tract Society is operating on a cash basis, except to its regular accredited colporteurs. By accompanying the orders with cash this will save some delay in your

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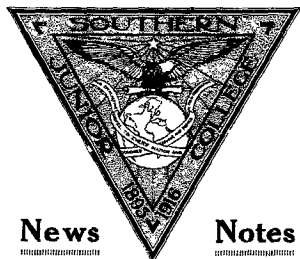
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Notes

Sunday, Feb. 8.

Last Wednesday night Elder E. E. Andross gave a stereopticon lecture on Africa. The pictures of the mission stations were very similar to farm scenes in this country, and really didn't seem so very heathenish; but as we looked upon the pictures of the natives in their darkness and superstition, we could appreciate the fact that they are heathen, and need the gospel.

A number of the delegates from the Union Conference sessions stopped over at Collegedale en route to their homes. We were glad to have these friends visit us.

"Our Teeth" was the subject of a very interesting talk by Dr. J. R. Mitchell at the chapel hour last Wednesday. He told us how important a place our teeth fill in relation to one's health, and

some of the means by which we can keep them from being a door through which disease enters the system.

Collegedale Sabbath School offerings for Feb. 7, \$45.

Elder C. V. Leach, Secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, occupied the eleven o'clock hour on Sabbath. One thought brought out was that the coming of the Lord does not depend so much on the events to transpire in the social and political world as it does upon the finishing of the work of giving this message to all the world. Then he outlined some of the ways by which we can help in spreading this truth.

## Oakwood College Constituency Meeting

The constituency meeting of the Oakwood Junior College will be held in the second Seventh-day Adventist church in Nashville, Tenn., at 10 o'clock Friday, Apr. 2, 1920.

The constituency of this Association are the Union Committees and Mission Committees of the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences, the Faculty of the Oakwood Junior College, and such members of the General Conference Committee as may be present.

The meeting is called for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of such business as the constituency deem advisable.

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order, as we will be unable to fill orders that are not accompanied by cash.

The Workers' Meeting which has just closed has been a very helpful one to our workers who

gathered there. Wednesday morning our workers here in Tennessee all met together and Elder Martin laid before them some of our plans for this year. If these plans are carried out, it will mean that all of our people must be faithful in the paying of their tithe for the support of the work. We believe that during this year great things will be accomplished, and that ere its close we will see a good many who have accepted the truth as the result of this year's work. The goal was set of 300 souls for the year. When we stop to think during the past four years there have only been reported 292 baptisms, we are sure that this goal will look a little large, but with the Lord's help we believe it will be accomplished. As the workers go to their different fields it is their determination that this shall be accomplished.

## Obituary

BOM—Helen Bonenberger was born May 18, 1866, at Shawneetown, Ill., and died of blood poisoning January 11, 1920, at her home in Barlow, Kentucky, aged 53 years, 7 months and 24 days.

She was married July 1, 1883, to Mr. Jacob Bom. About 16 years ago Sister Bom learned the Present Truth and since that time has been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, often expressing while on her deathbed her faith in the near coming of Jesus.

There are left to mourn, Mr. J. Bom, the husband of the deceased; ten children, three brothers, six sisters, seventeen grandchildren, besides a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at Henderson, Ky., Jan. 13 by the writer, assisted by Elder C. C. Webster.

G. C. RUSSELL.