

Crowned Of Life (Commencement Address, Southern Junior College, 1920)

Mr. President, Members of the Graduating Class, and Friends-

It gives me peculiar pleasure to meet with you on this happy evening, because I see here a fruition of the hopes of years gone by, wherein there were labors many, sacrifices great, rewards few, but faith and courage to the full. When I first came to this field, now thirty years ago save one, there were in the whole South now comprised in these two Unions, Southeastern and Southern, no more than 500 Seventh-day Adventists all told. There was no regular church school of high or low grade, there was no sanitarium or medical institution of any kind, and the sole representative station of publishing work was a the branch office of the Review and Herald just established at Atlanta. Georgia.

Our people were scattered, and poor, and untrained. Our work was new, little known, and strange to a corservative people. We had to meet prejudice and suspicion and scorn. Added to this was the inexperience of practically all the workers, who mostly came from the North into a South which had not yet seen healed the wounds of war and of postwar oppression. The hea.ts of some of these workers were timorous and alien, and their mental at-

titude well represented by the recommendation passed at a certain General Conference concerning one minister, approving his plea that since he had served a term of two whole years in the Southern field, his sentence now be commuted to fifteen days, and he be restored to a post in the blessed North. I have not quoted the exact language of that recommendation, but I have faithfully reproduced its impression.

Nevertheless there were true and staunch hearts among the messengers of those days, men and women like the heroic figure of that early leader, Elder R. M. Kilgore, who gave their lives without stint or reservation, who made themselves one with the people of the South, and who in the midst of poverty and discouragement faithfully continued to sow the seed on a seemingly sterile soil. And today we see the fruits, with a membership advanced from half a thousand to over eight thousand. with a record of literature sales that leads the nation and the world, and with a strong company of young people such as we see here tonight, trained and in training, consecrated to the work of pressing the last gospel message, not alone in the now strongly progressive South, but throughout the world. It is with grati-

tude and pride that we see drafts being made upon the trained membership of the Southern church for service in mission fields the world around; for not only do we welcome the universal comradeship it brings, but in the sight of a field that was once the Lazarus of the Conference table now bestowing its own largess upon the more needy, we have evidence of the speedy completion of the great work of God in all the earth.

Particularly do we thank God for this training school for Christian workers, this Southern Junior College. It is the instrument of aggressive intelligent evangelism and service, a chief agency through which the progress of the gospel work is secured. In its ideal conditions. its magnificent resources for the giving of Christian education. it is at once a pledge of our increasing efficiency and a challenge to our liberality and devotion. Its capability is not to be measured alone, nor chiefly, by its buildings, its equipment, its conveniences and pleasures. No; but by its endowment of the grace of God. in its country environment, its conception of education as preparation for three fold service, and its spirit of consecration to the high ideals of the everlasting gospel.

It was in 1893, when our con-

stituency was still but half a thousand, that the first move was made toward establishing a training school for Seventh-day Adventist youth in the South. In that year Elder C.W.Colcord, of blessed memory, opened with official sanction his private school in Graysville, Tennessee, which laid the foundation for this present college. I had the privilege of being a pupil in that first year, and also, years later, a teacher. It was a day of small beginning. I remember some fellow students coming from far Florida, with the innocent expectation of finding electric lights, and street cars to take them to the school campus. and finding instead that they must pick their way in the darkness over the rocky streets of the little mountain hamlet, amid grunting pigs in convenient mudholes, to homes in private houses and a schoolroom located in the second story of a general store building.

But out of that small and humble beginning have come. not only one noble and beautiful college, in the bosom of which we gather tonight, but a still living and now auxiliary institution on the hallowed site of the mother school, with other similar academies about to be born in the various conferences, and a supporting column of primary schools, all devoted to the formation of character and the training of talent for the last message of the gospel. And above all we may count, as the fruit of that work so humbly bea wide influence for gun. righteousness and salvation being exerted by graduates from America to China, from Africa to the islands of the sea. We have reached a second generation. I see before me here tonight children of some of my former schoolmates, themselves now putting on the harness to join in valiant service those who are already in the field. And in this strong array of workers, actual and prospective, where once was dearth and want, we all together may rejoice with glad hearts, and give thanks to our God, who watches over his cause.

Young men and women, you go forth from your studies here to represent a great cause. What your conception of that cause is will be a telling factor in your success or your failure. What have you to give the world? What is your mission? What course shall you mark out for yourselves as the ideal of your service? You will find more than one school of thought, and you must choose by which you will shape your course.

By one you will be reminded of the increasing numbers and wealth and energies of our church, and you will be bidden to take pride in the zealous propaganda of our faith, the great comparative liberality of our gifts, the efficient organization which is making possible the speedy evangelization of the world. And you will hear it said and reiterated that your safety and your success lie in maintaining a working connection with this array of power, and in striving, in friendly rivalry with other units, so to increase the returns from your particular field of operation as to make the aggregate ever greater. That is the laudation of might.

Under another influence it will be impressed upon you that your work is solely to proclaim to the world a system of doctrines, by the acceptance or rejection of which every individual in the world will determine his destiny. In that circle the belief is held, expressly or tacitly. that the work of God is comprehended in a verbal proclamation of truths and the resultant increase of the numbers and resources of a people whose faith makes them the peculiar treasure of God, the substance and the sum of the only true church. You will be urged to devote vourselves almost exclusively to the better understanding and more capable expression of those theological doctrines which distinguish us from other peoples. since it is through the extension of our belief that the work of God will be finished. That teaching is an apotheosis of knowledge.

Now we can not condemn a just satisfaction in the accomplishments and prospects of the organized church with which we are connected; and certainly we shall be glad for the mighty power of the spoken and written word in the advancement of truth and the finishing of God's work in the earth. But the danger is that we shall so relate ourselves to these manifestations and receive so distorted a conception of their value that our own lives will respond to our false confidence and the glory of God which should be reflected in us be dimmed into the pale phosphorescence of sectarianism and pharisaism.

Greatest of all the utterances of that master statesman and prophet, Jeremiah, are these words; "Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, let not the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches; but let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth."

To be concluded next week



Alabama News Notes

The effort at Pensacola which is being conducted by Elder Wright and his corps of workers opened Sunday night, the 6th, and word received states that every seat was taken and several people stood up during the entire service. Let us remember this effort in our prayers that many honest souls may be reached.

Brother Rowe called at the office Tuesday and gave us a very encouraging report of their work in Attalla. He states that Sister Rowe has just completed a very successful delivery in that city.

Brethren Bagiey and Nelson and Miss Inez Nelson stopped over Wednesday night in Clanton on their way to the Nelson home in Florida. The young men expect to start canvassing next Monday in Jackson County, Florida.

A letter just received from Brother Carl Holland states that he and his brother are now located in Anniston and he expects to start his brother canvassing this week.

Brother Denslow plans to start his effort at Decatur Tuesday night, the 22nd. Let us remember this effort in our prayers as this is a new field.

Brother Staton is assisting Brother Arthur Hughes this week with his delivery. As soon as this delivery is over Brother Hughes expects to join his brother, Paul, at Springville, where he just started canvassing this week.

Strive not to equal-strive to surpass.

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	Con	ference for	May,	1920.				
Conference	Agents	Hours	Orders	Value	Deliveries			
Louisiana(w)	21	1687	516	\$2437.30	\$5846.50			
Louisiana(c)	1	$\overline{78}$	53	264.50	4.50			

Summary of the Colporteur Work In the Southern Union

Louisiana(w)	21	1687	516	\$2437.30	\$5846.50
Louisiana(c)	1	78	53	264.50	4.50
	22	1765	569	2701.80	5851.00
Mississippi(w)	13	1029	646	3158.25	1669.75
Mississippi(c)	14	746	458	2361.05	505.40
	27	1775	1104	5519.30	2175.15
Kentucky(w)	15	1558	799	3365.10	2290.40
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Alabama(c)	6	465	193	880.25	464.85
	20	1725	990	4488.45	2740.75
Tennessee(w)	12	1438	503	2137.45	1980.30
Tennessee(c)	5	559	189	656.55	640.65
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	1919		1920	Gain	Loss
Louisiana	\$4924.40	\$2701.80			2222.60
Mississippi	8673.12	5519.30			3153.82
Kentucky	8789.95	4067.60			4722.35
Alabama	6945.95	4488.45			2457.50
Tennessee	2809.70	2794.00			15.70
Total	32143.12	19	571.15		12571.97
				V. O. Cole, Union	Field Secretary

You may have heard of the "Broken Stone" mission, the story of how an Indian Chief met by Missionary F. A. Stahl in a remote section of the Andes begged that a teacher be sent to his tribe. After three years one came, carrying the half of a pebble as means of identification. Now two schools are in operation there, with a church of more than two hundred members. This is only one of hundreds of interesting incidents given by Brother Stahl in the new missionary book "In the Land of the Incas." It provides one of the most thrilling chapters in the record of modern missions. Price \$1.25 postpaid (10 per cent) higher in Canada.

He who has misgivings at the start will never finish anything. The language of the face and manner are the instanterecus shorthand of the mind which is very quickly read.

Never for an instant admit that you are sick, weak, or ill unless you wish to experience these conditions, for the very thinking of them helps them to get a stronger hold upon you. We are all the product of our own thoughts. Whatever we concentrate upon, that we are.

Make this day count. Don't let any opportunity slip. Seize it, wring every possibility out of it. Don't shrink from responsibility, no matter how hard or disagreeable, if there is valuable discipline in it, if it will help to make you more efficient, more self-confident. SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

News Items

Sister Cox and her thirteenyear-old daughter, Lillie Bell. are selling "Coming King". Lillie Bell is on the Honor Roll this week, and her orders for the week amount to \$30.50.

We are sorry to learn that Sister Wietlauf is in ill health and not able to put in full time in the colporteur work.

Sunday, June 6, eight of the Tennessee River colporteurs met at the Publishing House where they spent an hour in talking over their work.

Brother W. C. Starkey, from Collegedale, has begun work. In three days his orders amounted to \$118 with \$28.75 advanced payments.

Miss Winnie Allen is now working with "Bible Readings" in Coffee County. One man bought a book who saw it four years ago in another county and has been wondering why some one did not come along selling it before.

Brother Elton Chapman writes, "I am glad to be out with my prospectus again."

Brother Jessie Miller has just delivered over \$400 worth of "Great Controversy" in Stewart County. He expects to work in Lawrence County with Brother Mann and Brother James Gordon. We wish these brethren good success.

Brother Paul Keele sent in two subscriptions for "Present Truth" for people in his terri-He must believe the tory. statement made that ninetv per cent of the Seventh-day Adventists read themselves into

Colporteurs' Report Southern Union

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J W Browning	BR	6					35 25	
Elton Chapman	GC	26	7	34 00	1 00	35 00		
Paul Keele	DR&CK	22	6	2050		20 50		
R J Hyatt	BFL	9	11	18 00		18 00	8 00	
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G F Knapp	GC&CK	33	5	$23 \ 00$	6 00	29 00	14 5 0	
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Campmeeting

Dates

Kentucky, colored	June 18-27
Tennessee River, colored	June 25-July 4
Tennessee River, white, Nashville	Aug. 19-29
Alabama, white	Aug. 26-Sept. 5
Mississippi, white	Sept. 2-12
Louisiana, white	Sept. 9-19
Mississippi, colored	Sept. 17-26
Alabama, colored	Sept. 17-26
Louisiana, colored	Sept. 24-Oct. 3

the truth.

Two of the Oakwood students are with us this summer working for a scholarship. Let us remember these young workers at the Throne of Grace.

Brother Otto Christensen writes of an interesting experience as follows: "One lady when I called, said they had just been talking about the Bible. She asked what denomination published my book and I told ber. She said she wanted to know because she had read enough to know which one put out the best literature and said she knew the Adventists books were good, so she gave her order in the half-leather. R. R. BROOKS.

Magazine Briefs

Never in the history of the world or of the Third Angel's message has this truth gone with such rapidity as it is at the present time. God is surely impressing the hearts and minds of the people to search everywhere for truth, and too, He is impressing the minds of our young people to go out and place the truthfilled papers and magazines in the hands of these honest hearted souls.

Last week a business man 'n Baltimore, Md., wrote Brother Hooper, of the Southern Publishing Association, about the Watchman saying, "I bought a Watchman Magazine from a young lady here who said she was selling the Magazine to earn her way through school next winter. I bought it merely to help the girl. After looking over the Magazine I found it was well worth the money spent, and would like to have it sent each month to some of my friends." This shows that God is surely

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working on the hearts of the people.

Some of the girls that work at the Southern Publishing Association, ten hours a day, go out and sell Watchman Magazines at night in order that they may earn a scholarship, with an average sale of from 30 to 50 magazines in one evening.

Several weeks ago Miss Dora Samson started to sell the Watchman and the Lord has certainly been blessing her. The following is her report for the past three weeks:

Hrs. No. Sold Value Week ending May 22 1920 28 500 \$125.00 Week ending May 29 1920 31½ 413 105.25 Week ending June 5 1920 18½ 350 62.50

Misses Knox, Gordon, Pierce, and Tolman are coming from Southern Junior College to sell Watchman in the Tennessee River Conference. Also Miss Dorris Dorman of Nashville is selling the Watchman this summer.

We are not only looking for a large number of magazines to be sold, but that they will be put in every home as far as possible and God will impress the honest in heart and bring them to a decision. IRA R. SHEIRICH.

Rentlement CONFERENCE Room 621 Crutcher and Starks Building Louisville, Kentucky.

Kentucky Campmeeting

About twenty years ago I took a batch of poor orphan boys from the famine district of Central India. They were naked, half-starved heathen lads. How glad they were to find a Missionary who was personally interested in them! The most of them were naturally bright, intelligent fellows, but without education whatever. any Among this group was one we named "Leon." Leon was full of boyish pranks and at times

caused us some anxiety. Once or twice he ran away but soon returned with a sorrowful heart and a promise to obev orders and be a good boy. I had been told that frequently the most mischievous lads turned out to be the most useful men, especially when they received the grace of God into their hearts. So whenever Leon became a trial to us, we praved the more earnestly for him and planned the wiser to lead him to be a good and noble young man. He finished the studies of the primary mission school, then the local Government school, after that the High School and a Junior College. About that time he secured a position in the revenue department of the British Government in India and held his post for eight years, or until he heard and accepted the third angel's message of Revelation fourteen. Then he resigned and spent two years in our Seventhday Adventist Training School at Lucknow, India. During his service for the Government, he was married to a native girl by the name of Martha Bai. Martha had also been trained as a nurse and midwife so that she was able to be a real helpmeet to her husband.

This young couple now have five plump little children all being brought up in our mission day-and Sabbath schools at Kalyan, India, where Leon is one of the workers of that station.

Leon now holds a preacher's license and is teaching in the mission school and is also in charge of the literature work of thatlocality. He speaks Hindu, Marathi and English. He is a noble young Seventh-day Adventist worker. Today I received the following letter from him:—

"Kalyan, India. April 18, 1920. My dear Papa:— We read

your letters from the United States with so much pleasure. It just seems like Fapa talking and we enjoy them so much. Weare glad to hear from you and to know you are having a pleasant time. Glad to know you are having such good meetings for us Indians. That is right. Just tell about us and may God pour his spirit upon their hearts to hear the last crv of India's need and come to our help and rescue. so that the people of India may be saved. It will be their joy to see many of our people saved in eternity. We are glad to see you standing before your people to tell of our need here. You have lived in India over twentyfive years and your aim is to give your life to the dear Lord's service. You love India and its people. If there was no love for us you would not have worked so hard. I need not write more for youknow all about us. Had I written to another American gentleman I would have changed my thoughts, but before you I feel a little awkward to drop even a few lines. Papa, may the Lord bless you in your efforts and "keep thee and cause his face to shine upon thee and give thee peace'' is my prayer. We pray for all who attend your meetings that they may give liberal offerings to this work. We do thank them for even small donations. All is counted in the treasury in heaven.

Papa, I am the fruit of your labors and so glad that you came to India over twenty years ago. By the power of God you equipped me for the storms of this life to be a victor through God. When you see our faces you are not disappointed that you worked so heard for us poor Indians.

Now Ram as preacher. teach-

er, and have charge of the book work here. Please prav for my people who are still heathen and in darkness. Many "Salaams" to you all." "Leon."

ELDER M. D. WOOD.

Office Mail Bag

Even though showers and cool weather prevailed. the campmeeting began June 3 with a goodly number of believers encamped on the grounds. The first sermon of the meeting was preached by Elder I. M. Martin, of Nashville. President of the Tennessee River Conference. Elder J. W. McComas, evanglist from Nashville, preached to a large audience Friday evening.

The Union Conference workers present are Elders Cole and Staines. Professor J.C. Thompson was present a few days. Dr. Sutherland was with us on Tuesday. He gave two sermons on the topic of health and diet and gave personal attention to fifty-five persons who desired help for their physical needs. Elder T. G. Bunch, Union Conference evangelist, spent a little time with us.

The Dining Tent, under the careful management of Mrs. E. A. Sutherland, Mrs. Sargent, Brother Sibert, of Madison, Tennessee, and Erctler Bossing of Louisville, is giving excellent attention to the physical needs of the people.

The workers from outside the Union are Elder M. D. Wood who is on a furlough from India, and Elder M. C. Wilcox, from California. The work of these Conference Sunday, May 24th. able men is greatly appreciated by the people start in provide the start of the

On Monday June 7, the nom. inating committee rendered a complete report which was as in the Seminary chapel, and alfollows:

SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

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Medical and Home Missionary Sec., Frank E. Thompson Educational Supt. and Y. P.

M.V. Sec., Frank E. Thompson Religious Liberty Sec., Elder

R. I. Keate Excutive Committee: Elder R. I. Keate Burton Castle Wilbur Moore H. U. Jacobs E. A. Williams Frank E. Thompson Dr. C. A- Hansen The Constitution of the Con-

ference was changed so as to provide for a Conference session annually instead of biennially.

The spirit of consecration and devotion has been present since the very beginning of the meeting. The believers have been unanimous in their expressions of thankfulness to God for his prospering hand which has been manifested in the Conference and for His love and care for His people. BURTON CASTLE.

An Unusual Field Dav

Fourteen languages are represented in the Miscellaneous Language Department at the Broadview Theological Seminary located near Brookfield, Illinois. Students in nine of these languages took part in a most unusual field day held in the Chicago

Sister Hazel V. Leach, who has charge of the magazine work in the Chicago Conference, conducted a very interesting service though the closing exercises. President, Elder R. I. Keate. took place the Sabbath before مى مەركىيى بىرىمىيى بىرىمىيىنى بىرىمىيىنى بىرىمىيىنى بىرىمىيىنى بىرىمىيىنى بىرىمىيىنى بىرىمىيىنى بىرىمىيىنى بىر بىرىمىيىنى ب بىرىمىيىنى ب

a an an an ta ta ta ta the date set for the field day and many of the students were anxious to hasten to their homes. more than twenty responded. In addition to the student body, several of the sisters from various Chicago churches, Elder E. C. Townsend, home missionary secretary of the Chicago Conference, G. L. Culbrandson, circulation manager of the International Branch, and the writer joined in the effort.

Although full reports of the number of magazines and "Worlds Hope" series books used in the effort have not yet been summarized, those reporting state that the foreign-speaking people were very anxious to secure the literature in their own language, and all were fully cognizant of the special blessing of the Lord. One brother, who had never sold a small book before, sold ten Polish "Worlds Hope" in less than an hour at thirty five cents a copy.

Is it, not wonderful that we have reached a time when a single Seventh Day Adventist school is able to send students representing nine nationalities into foreign districts of one of our large cities to bring to the people, speaking these various languages, literature in their own tongue? This should give us new courage and inspire us with greater zeal to bring the message to the millions of "strangers within our gates".

H. W. SHERRIG.

Whatever we long for, struggle for, and hold persistently in the mind, we tend to realize just in exact proportion to the intensity and persistence of the abought

Was originated by a lazy man. used by a lazy man; and was the death of him.

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Commencement at Southern Junior College

The Commencement exercises at Collegedale were very interesting and something to be long remembered. Our unique "auditorium" (the new barn) was well filled during each program. This class is the only one known to have "graduated from a barn!" With such an humble beginning in life we hope that they will rise to a much higher plane in the future.

On Sabbath, the 5th. the Baccalaureate sermon was given by Elder W. T. Ashton, President of the Ohio Conference. His talk was as good as any class could ever wish for.

Sunday evening was class night. A very interesting program was rendered by the class.

Monday evening the closing exercises were rendered. Professor Arthur W. Spalding gave the address, his subject being: "Crowned of Life." The diplomas were awarded to four young men and sixteen young ladies.

The Class

Martha Lucile Bowen Cecil Esther Branson Mabel Agnes Branson Alice Theodosia Case Clarence S. Field Joseph Warren Franklin Jas. L. Gordon Jeanetta Mai Hardin Noble LaRue Harrell Julia Elizabeth Inabinet Mamie Elmyra Jones Rosa Anna Meister Bessie Lee Morgan Ethel Lillian Mullikin J. Mabel Wood Cecil Lamborn Woods

Southern Junior College Notes

_____ Sunday, June 13

Dr. and Mrs. Honeywell of Punta Gorda, Fla., are now visiting the school. The doctor is probably the oldest colporteur in the denomination.

Among the visitors here during the past week were: Robert Woods, from Berrien Springs; Miss Rochelle Philmon of Union College; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowen and Corliss Bowen of Alpharetta, Ga.; William and Roger Tinsley of Washington Missionary College.

Summer school began last week with an enrolment of about 30.

Almost all of the regular students have gone canvassing or to their homes. We wish them all the best of success.

This past week we were very sorry to lose Brother J. P. Mc-Gee, our printer for the past four years here at S. J. C. and two years at Graysville. He was one of the pioneers in the work here. B. W.

"Who is the richest of men?" asked Socrates. "He who is content with the least, for contentment is natures riches."

President For Louisiana Conference

It is probably well understood that Elder C. N. Sanders, formerly president of Louisiana, resigned the office some weeks ago and this conference has been without a president since that time.

At a recent meeting of the Louisiana Conference Committee, together with all the workers of the conference, the question of supplying this vacancy was carefully considered, and in counsel with members of the Union Conference Committee, who were present, it was voted to invite Elder D. P. Wood, of the Tennessee River Conference, to come to Louisiana and take the presidency of this conference.

Elder Wood was called by telegram and met with the committee, and plans were laid for the work of the conference for the coming summer season. Elder Wood has been for some years pastor of the Memphis, Tennessee church and has had a wide experience in other fields and is well fitted to take up the responsibility of this work. Elder Wood has the confidence and support of the Union Conference and we bespeak for him the hearty cooperation of all our workers and our people in the Louissana Conference.

> G. H. CURTIS. Sec. Southern Union Conference.

"Konsider the postage stamp, my son; its usefulness konsists in its ability to stick to one thing until it gets there."

No man is using his full strength until he is doing the thing he was born to do. No man who allows Doubt and Fear to keep him from his own, is a real man. He is only an apology for one.