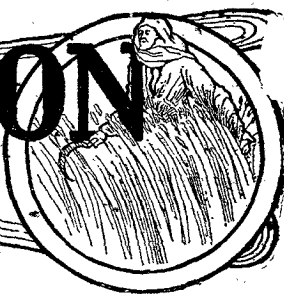


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"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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With the Young People at Our Campmeetings

John C. Thompson

The nineteen hundred and twenty season of campmeetings is now a thing of the past. In four of our five conferences ten day meetings were held, while in Mississippi a three day conference session only was conducted.

It is not my purpose to deal with the general aspect of these campmeetings further than to say that they were eminently successful. Nor is this the opinion only of the writer or of a particular group, but rather it is the consensus of opinion of those who attended, workers and laymembers alike. Two of the meetings were regarded as being the largest in the history of the particular conferences, the other two meetings being a bit smaller than some of the former years. But it is not in size nor numbers that any one campmeeting was judged successful, but rather in the quick, earnest, powerful spirit which permeated the camp. Surely God's presence was at each meeting, being manifest in conviction of and victory over sin.

The young people's meetings constitute one permanent feature of all of our campmeetings. It is the purpose of those in charge of the young people's work to make the meetings of such a nature that they will interest, appeal to, instruct, and win to Christ those who attend. Nor

is this always an easy thing to do.

The above statements regarding the success of the campmeetings as a whole, seem to apply with double force to the young people's meetings. Nothing extraordinary nor especially conspicuous transpired, but there was a prayerful seeking of God together among the youth which brought them much help and victory.

At each meeting in addition to the two services daily in the youth's tent, the prayer bands, which included every young person who chose to belong, met every day to plead for a deeper experience for themselves and others in whom they were interested. In addition, the leaders of the prayer bands and others carrying responsibilities in this branch of the work, met together frequently for prayer and counsel.

Many were our answers to prayer. I could recite some interesting experiences of how God intervened as a result of prayer to change the lives and purposes of different young people. Some came to the camp out of idle curiosity or the desire for association, intent on continuing in their worldly courses, only to have the whole aspect of their lives changed

and consecrated to their Master's use. And how encouraging, how wonderful it was to us who were working and praying for the young people to have direct and effective answers to our prayers!

Few were the young people of the nearly two hundred who attended the meetings who did not get a deeper Christian experience. In one meeting more than thirty-five children and young people were candidates for baptism.

We feel that much of our success was due to the splendid help we had in the persons of Professor Harlan Johnston of Southern Junior College, Doctor Kress and Elder W. F. Martin of California whose success with the young is doubtless due to his self-stated attitude of "I hope the time never comes when I do not look upon life with the vision of a young man." Each one of these men brought messages to us of hope and courage, backed up with successful service in the cause of Christ. Our Conference secretaries were alert and studious for successful meetings, and Elder McElhany was always ready to render assistance.

Personally, I have never enjoyed any season of campmeetings as much as this one. To

my own soul there came a great joy and deep spiritual watering as God's spirit permeated our midst.

In our Southern Union there is a fine class of young people. I mean not to flatter when I state that they are able, energetic, and quite exceptional. I was pleased to hear some of our visiting brethren make similar statements. With this ability and enthusiasm consecrated to God, what a wealth of material we will have for our work here in the South. And I trust these young people plan on laboring no where else, for the South needs every one of them.

May the God of grace who has begun such wonderful work in our hearts, continue it to his glory and our salvation. For the help and encouragement of the young people we invite the interest and prayers of all of our people.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Room 621 Crutcher and Starks Building
Louisville, Kentucky.

Office Mail Bag

Several of our student colporteurs are commencing to rest from their summer's labor, but the following is a good indication that their works will follow them.

Approximately \$5,000 worth of that good book "Heralds of the Morning" have been left in the homes of the people since June 15 by brethren Leonard Vories, G. F. Brown, Fred A. and Roy M. Mote. We rejoice with them over their splendid success. Faithfulness with implicit trust in God will work wonders for others also.

According to a statement from Brother Alex Perry, the

new price on books has stimulated the trade. His largest record for a single week has been made since the new prices came into effect.

Monday the 13th was opening day for the church schools for both the white and colored in Louisville and the one at Covington. Others are in progress in the Conference. This work, combined with launching the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, is keeping Brother F. E. Thompson, the secretary for these departments, very busy these days.

Elder C. C. Webster expects soon to locate at Richmond. He has gone there to search for a house. He will have oversight of the interest in that part of the state.

Elder Keate has just returned from Covington, where he helped to close a deal for a \$7,000 building which will be used for Chapel and Church School. Accompanied by his wife and sister, M. Lucas, Louisville's successful Bible worker, he has gone on to Madisonville where he will spend this week helping in the effort which is in progress there. Sister Lucas will remain longer assisting in the Bible work.

Elder J. G. Dasent has closed his effort for the colored people of Bowling Green. Thirty took a definite stand for the truth. Others are expected to, later. He is rejoicing over this success. And to add to his delight, since that, a baby boy has come to his home. Mother and babe are getting along nicely.

A splendid way to give the message to our friends and acquaintances is to send them a year's subscription to "Present Truth." For all orders sent in from now till October 29, the Special October list of 25 con-

secutive numbers will be sent as a weekly for 25 cents. The only weekly list in the year. After the passing of the above date the regular price will apply; 25c for 12 copies. Bear this in mind and act.

Make any selection from the books in our circulating Library. We mail it to you. All that is required of you is to read it in a given time and return to Conference office postpaid.

In response to a call from the Oklahoma Conference, Brother Castle left Louisville for Oklahoma City on the night of the eighth. He will take up work as Secretary and Treasurer of that Conference. Although his valued experience and labor will be much missed from the Kentucky Conference and the pleasant association with him and Mrs. Castle by their many friends, we wish them well as they go to their new field of labor. And may more friends be added to their many friends.

Keep in mind the individual "Harvest Ingathering" goal \$10. Already several have reported having reached this amount. Some have passed the goal considerably.

Elder Keate has returned from Madisonville and finds office work enough to keep him busy for a few days. He is filling the pulpit each Sabbath at the Louisville church until the new pastor arrives.

Sister Nellie Stewart passed away at her home in Louisville September the 12th, after a brief illness. She had suffered for eight years with the disease that took her away. She had been a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church at Louisville for two years.

Sister Luzerne Thompson of Bowling Green has had another

stroke of paralysis. It is hoped that it will not prove serious.

Elder C. C. Webster visited the Hartford church last Sabbath and Sunday.

Just recently a man who is not a church member, sent in tithe to the amount of \$700.

Remember the Special October list of "Present Truth." Twenty-five consecutive numbers for twenty-five cents, mailed weekly to any address. Offer good until October 29th.

Brother Jeff Hickman reports \$15 for three hours in the "Harvest Ingathering" work.

A brother recently sent in \$1000 tithe. The smaller items count also. "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things."

The effort at Madisonville is being transferred to a church house. It is hoped that before the effort closes there will be sufficient believers there to organize a church.

Do not forget to report what you have done in the "Harvest Ingathering" work.

Church clerks, take notice; be sure to have quarterly report back to the Conference office not later than October the 7th.

There are ten new Sabbath keepers at Danville, where Brethren Chas. A. Howard and E. S. Jordan have been laboring during the summer.

Brother Page, one of our faithful colporteurs, reports an excellent interest at Baskett, Ky. Some more results from the reading of our good literature.

Brother Brownlie has gone to Lockport to help Brother Ira O. Wallace to follow up the interest which his work there has developed.

The Conference has been laid

out in districts. Each district will have its leader in the Harvest Ingathering work. Find your place at once and get busy.

Brother W. H. Moore is busy this week, helping the boys on the front line. He will make three places: Winchester, Ashland and Cynthia.

Alice Mae Crutcher a little girl of about eight years has already reported \$14.64 received from her efforts in the "Harvest Ingathering" work. And "a little child shall lead them".

Brother Frank E. Thompson has been very busy in the office the past few days. He is leaving the city for Hartford where he will help in the educational interests.

The following is a conversation while making up these notes: "How do you do sister? How is everything?"

"I have \$6, just received for four 'Harvest Ingathering Watchman.'"

"Good. I wonder who will be the next to report."

A. SCHROADER.

News Items

In Covington, as we found our way blocked at every turn, we finally gave up the idea of the large effort that we had planned for that place. It apparently was not the Lord's will.

However, since giving up this plan, the Lord seems to be opening the way in another direction. We have purchased a fine piece of property in an excellent locality, with an 87 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet front, 110 feet deep, with a two story nine room brick house in good condition, on it, for \$7,000. Our plan is to use this building for church and church school purposes, while providing a home for the workers. We expect the

rent to about pay the interest. Then, too, the advertising that we got while endeavoring to get our other meeting started has secured for the workers there an excellent class of readers, and it appears as if we have now secured an opening among a class of people that we have never been able to get hold of before in Covington. Mrs. F. T. Jacobs is now in Covington starting in the Bible work. Sister Hornung has been there for some time, but as she is in the employ of the Union, she will probably leave us before long.

The church school is in session in one of the rooms of this house with Maggie Weeden as teacher.

It was a very bitter disappointment to the believers there not to have the effort that was planned for that place, but they are of good courage now over the present outlook.

At Madisonville the meetings which were being held in the tent, were brought to a close Sunday night, September 19. In spite of the opposition which we have met with at that place, there are about sixteen keeping the Sabbath as a result of the efforts made in and around Madisonville. There are still a number of fine people interested, and we hope to organize a church there before long. We have rented a church building in a nice part of the city, in a different neighborhood from where the meetings were held in the tent, and expect to continue the services there. Sister Lucas, who has been laboring in Louisville, is now connected with this effort, helping to bring it to a successful conclusion. The writer has twice spent the larger part of a week in this effort, assisting and helping to get results. Elder Videto has certainly preached a series of excellent

sermons, and a number of these have been printed in the daily papers. He has made an excellent impression on the town, and the truth is well spoken of there.

Brother Ira O. Wallace has stirred up an excellent interest at Lockport, and it appears as if several might be added to the church. Brother Brownlie and wife have gone to join them in this effort, and we must remember this place in our prayers.

Brother Noah Bennett has had a good interest at Laurel Hill, and Elder C. C. Webster spent a short time with him at this place.

About thirty are keeping the Sabbath as a result of Elder Dasant's efforts in Bowling Green, and ten or eleven are keeping the Sabbath as a result of the effort in Danville. The outlook generally is quite encouraging. I hope we will all unite in putting forth our best efforts to make the Harvest Ingathering campaign a grand success.

R. I. KEATE.

The Outlook in Lexington

Let the heavens be glad, let the nations rejoice and let men say among the nations, The Lord reigneth. 1 Chron. 16:31.

For some time I have entertained the desire of passing on to the believers scattered abroad a report of our work in Lexington and vicinity. But being pressed with duties appertaining to our work we could scarcely find the time before now.

The writer and his wife have been laboring in this field about nine months now, and during this time we have had the satisfaction of seeing many advance

in the cause of God in this place. The result of the recent Gospel Herald Campaign is in itself an evidence of the working of the Lord for this people, and it may be a source of encouragement to some to know that despite the absence of some of our most active Home Missionary Workers and the inability of the writer to do but very little in the campaign being then engaged in a tent effort in Danville, Kentucky that the work has prospered. The last report received from Oakwood, showed that we were leading in the Kentucky Conference and a good many others, having raised an average of 25 cents for every paper used, turning in \$175.00 with a membership of about 38. For this we give God the glory.

This our last achievement is but a stimulus for the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. We are planning and attempting great things for God, and surely we are expecting great things from Him. Already some have reached their goal of \$10.00

Our church school has recently opened with the largest enrollment in its history. Under the leadership of Miss Inez Brice, who until recently was one of our Bible workers in this Conference, we are expecting this department of our church to be greatly improved.

Plans for extensive repairs and improvement on our church property is well under way. The Home Missionary Society has systematic plans in operation for the scattering of the printed pages preparing the field for a strong hall effort as soon as the Master opens the way. On a whole, the outlook is bright for this place.

May we not ask an interest in your prayers that the Lord will continue to bless our labors, and

that many precious souls may be gathered out here before the reaper comes.

CHARLES A. HOWARD.

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

News Items

Brother C. Ray Kinney, who has been canvassing in the Tennessee River Conference since the first of the year, has been elected Field Secretary for Louisiana to succeed Brother B. E. Wagner, who has been called to a foreign field.

Enthusiastic reports are coming into the office from those who are pushing the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and there is every indication that by the time this reaches the readers the rank and file of our members will be heartily engaged in this important work. Sister W. O. Burch, one of the new Sabbathkeepers in Paducah, secured \$117.50 as the result of her Harvest Ingathering soliciting last week. We trust that all the churches will report promptly the first of each week just the amount raised in the Campaign, as we desire to get out a News Letter each week showing the standing of each church.

A letter from Brother A. A. Davis states that they have secured a teacher and are starting a church school in Paducah with an enrollment of twenty.

Encouraging reports come from both the Memphis and Paducah efforts. About twenty-five have already started to keep the Sabbath in Paducah.

A Call to the Work

In view of the times in which we are living, I cannot see how

any one can remain out of the work. It seems if we are ever going to awake, the time has come. Sometimes I often wonder if we believe what we teach, then these beautiful texts come to me: "Not as though the Word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel." Rom. 9:6. "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?" 2 Cor. 13:5. Therefore, I shall continue to work.

I fear for those that will have to be begged and encouraged to take up the work. I am sure they are deceived and will have only a short time to wait and find themselves. "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt." Dan. 12:2.

LOUIS RAYFORD.

A Bookman's Experience

I began to canvass a lady and when I told about the second coming of Christ, and the signs show it near, she said, I would be afraid to be here then. Well, I said, you will have to meet Him face to face anyhow, and explained at length how good it would be to be here and be ready. Her husband was present and three little ones. I exhorted them to give their hearts to Jesus, and the Holy Spirit touched their hearts and they wept bitterly. I invited them to bow with me and we would give ourselves to Jesus. While we prayed I felt the presence of the Holy One. When I finished praying they remained

bowed. As she arose, I asked her if she loved Jesus, and she replied she did. I asked if she would be afraid if He would come to take her home, and she stated, not now.

R. J. HYATT.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Colporteur Work in Louisiana

(As presented at the campmeeting)

The past two years have been years of marked progress for the colporteur work in this Conference. We are very thankful for the blessing of God that has attended the work and realize that it was only by His power that it was accomplished.

At the close of 1918 there were only five workers in the field and there seemed to be no prospects to secure others to enter the work. So we all prayed that the Lord would roll the burden of service upon others to help us carry the message filled books to the many thousands in Louisiana who had not as yet had the privilege of knowing the truth for this time. In answer to these prayers recruits came from the Atlantic, the Pacific and the Canadian border. Others from our own ranks appeared upon the horizon and joined the ranks against the enemy. Then too, some who had just accepted the message, put on the armor and joined the colporteur army. What a noble example to those who have long been in the message and are still following wordly pursuits.

These men have not gone forward in their own strength, but the Lord, our Captain has gone

before them and accomplished through them a work which only eternity can reveal. How I wish I could tell you the results of their work, but the best we can do this side of the Kingdom is to give a few figures.

Actual deliveries for the year 1918 were \$15,660.00

Actual deliveries for the year 1919 were \$29,204.00 which is nearly double.

Deliveries for first six months of 1919, \$6,610.00

Deliveries for first six months of 1920, \$17,315.00.

The average profit per hour during 1919 was \$.75.

Brother Thiele, a student from Berrien Springs, Michigan, delivered over \$3,000.00 worth of books for his summer's work.

In three weeks during the month of March we sold enough books to lead the Southern Union.

During the month of April we sold \$2,000 more than any other Conference in the United States, with the exception of one conference which is comprised of two states.

5,414 large books have already been placed in the homes this year and counting five to the family, the message has gone to over 26,000 people.

More books were delivered during the first seven months of this year than during the six years previous to 1917. For all this we thank our Heavenly Father who accomplished this work through our faithful colporteurs.

As to the future outlook we are glad to say that it is bright. Twenty workers were in the field last month and others are planning to join the ranks very soon. Louisiana has a vast amount of unworked territory and we know that these people will have the opportunity to re-

ceive the message and for that reason alone the colporteur work will advance in Louisiana and go forward with "increasing success" as the servant of the Lord has said.

Even though nearly \$30,000.00 worth of literature was delivered last year, this would only be about two cents' worth to each individual in the State, so you can see that there is a great work to be done. I am sure that by the blessing of God the sales of 1921 will double those of the present year. Let each one work and pray to this end. We are living in a time when we should expect big things from God.

I am sorry that I can not be with you during this meeting, but it seems that the Lord has willed it otherwise. Since coming to this Conference, three calls have come for us to go to foreign fields and we felt we must go when the last call came. I am thankful for the faithful work and co-operation of each colporteur. My association with you has been very pleasant indeed. The Lord has been with us and solved our problems. We have enjoyed our work in this Conference very much and reluctantly leave those we have learned to love.

Knowing that Brother Coble and wife, Brother McWilliam and wife, the writer and family are leaving from Louisiana for the fields beyond, may this inspire some who listen to this report, to arouse and help to spread the message in the homeland so that the work may be quickly finished in the earth and then we may all go home. My prayer is that we may all meet at the glad reunion and praise the Lord with those for whom we have labored.

B. E. WAGNER.

Field Day at the Louisiana Campmeeting

Yesterday our people gathered on the Louisiana campground, went out on a Field Day, visiting the homes of the people, inviting them to our meetings and taking to them some of our good literature. While the attendance is small, 65 people went out and reported having visited 1011 homes in less than two hours' time, the giving away of 851 papers and magazines, the sale of 180 Crisis books and 99 magazines, besides other smaller items. Over \$34.00 was raised for missions.

Every person who went out felt amply repaid and anxious to get into this sort of work often. With 25 of these it was their first experience of this nature. We wish you all could have attended the experience meeting that we had on our return. Truly we have reached the time when the text is being fulfilled,—"Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Would it not be an excellent plan for your local church to have a Field Day in opening up your Harvest Ingathering campaign? Surely the need for funds was never greater nor was there ever a time when the people were so anxious to know the truth that we have for them.

Let us all enter this campaign with more earnestness than ever before and the determination that we will not only gather funds for the mission fields but that we will watch for souls as one who must give an account. May not each of us adopt the goal of "At least ten dollars for missions and at least one soul for Christ?"

O. R. STAINES.

A Day With the City Workers

Caroline Louise Clough in the Life Boat.

Just now, we are living in prosperous times. Money is plentiful and free, wages are high, there is more than enough work for all who can and wish employment, and to add materially to these times of thrift—there are no saloons to tempt the men to waste their earnings and to degrade them below the brute creation. In view of all this, we are apt to console our conscience by thinking there are no real cases of poverty and want. But after a day's jaunt with our city workers we are compelled to change our mind.

In the very first home we visited, near the outskirts of the city, we found a brave little woman trying to mother and train a family of six, and at the same time go away to work every day. The children of school age have to each take their turn in spending one day a week at home looking after the little tots, Billy and Jimmie, two bright-eyed darlings. That mother is making a desperate struggle to give to the world doing six splendid men and women. Her husband is what he can, but his wages are not enough to keep the wolf from the door. She appreciated our offer to help with some clothing and also our invitation to take her and the little ones to the country for a rest, but best of all, she said at times she felt very much the need of spiritual help, and she was glad she could call on us.

Next, we visited a dear, old grandmother who thought she had suffered her full share of sorrow in life, and was grieving over her loved ones who had passed away. Her greatest burden, however, was her daughter

with seven children who had been deserted by the husband and father. Here was a home of real need which our workers will visit. We brought some cheer to this dear soul and sought the Lord earnestly for her and her daughter and family, and we left her with tears of gratitude in her eyes.

Several other homes were visited. We were glad to see the welcome which greeted our nurses as the homes were opened to us. We visited several homes of affliction. We found another mother with a large family of children and talked with her of the great missionary opportunities she had to train her children aright. She told us of one child that had taken sick and before she realized its serious condition it died. "But now," she said, "every time anything gets wrong with my children, I take them over to the dispensary and there they tell me just what to do. I think that is fine, and now I know my

children are well." This home was bare and cheerless. But when I asked the mother if she loved children she said, "Oh yes, I love them, every one! Before I was married, I didn't care for children, but now there is not one I would part with." And she had seven. One little bright-eyed boy kept behind his mother and was too bashful to speak. But his mother said, "He is a dear little fellow."

What an opportunity for our nurses to teach this mother how to keep her children clean and prepare wholesome, nourishing food for them, and also to teach her how to economize so that the husband's salary will cover the family's needs. When asked if she was a Christian, this woman replied, "Well, yes, sort of one. I think when anyone does what is right and tries to do their best, that is all the Lord requires of us." We trust this mother will learn that time spent in getting acquainted with Christ and pray-

ing for His Spirit to rule our lives will help us to not only do our best, but His best. We cannot of ourselves be good for "The carnal mind is enmity against God, for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then, they that are in the flesh cannot please God." Rom. 8:7, 8. We must each one receive power from outside ourselves to do right, and that the power comes from God. "For without me ye can do nothing." John 15:5.

To be continued

Someone has defined happiness as "the constant pursuit of an agreeable object with a sense of continual progress."

Success.

Live one day at a time, and be kind.

Success.

COLPORTEUR'S REPORT

FOR SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 18, 1920. KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Name	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Deliv
Carl J Ashlock	40			288 00
J F Ashlock	30			183 00
G T Ashlock	26			112 50
Chas Barrows	57			236 00
Voy Blair	24	22	76 50	18 50
Claud Hughes	34	28	135 00	9 00
Jeff Hickman	25	2	10 00	69 00
R Y Howard	52	12	59 50	36 00
Fred Mote	2	1	4 00	8 00
Roy Mote	75			719 75
Roscoe Moore	15			120 00
Lee Page	15			140 50
Lyndon Skinner	30			203 50
Delmer Talmage	24	13	42 00	
COLORED				
A I Bishop	11	8	15 00	4 50
Wm Martin	51	13	68 50	
Total	511	99	404 50	2147 75

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

W C Starkey	68	11	63 50	389 00
C Ray Kinney	15			145 00
Elton Chapman	36	5	27 50	48 50
R J Hyatt		3	4 50	27 00
G E Jenkins	52	29	134 00	
Louis Rayford	18	8	45 50	
Virgie Wilson	11	6	21 50	
Bibles			22 20	7 75
Total	200	65	318 70	617 25

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

Robert Pagley	44			170 00
R D Capps	36	27	171 50	
J E Foley	39	16	43 00	208 00
J C Goodner	27	21	112 00	22 50
D M Holland	42	24	112 50	28 00
J C Holland	46	36	172 00	
E J Lloyd	20		11 25	14 50
C McNeill	29	35	172 50	
R L Smith	32	23	108 75	4 50
E V Sykes	33	18	111 50	5 50
Bibles			15 00	11 50
Total	347	200	1030 00	464 50

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Offering for the Colored Work

Sabbath, October 9, has been set apart by the General Conference as the time for the taking of the offering for the Colored Work. All our churches in the Southern Union Conference should be especially interested in seeing that we receive a large offering on this day.

There never has been a time when so many opportunities have presented themselves for carrying on the work among the colored people. In order to measure up to these needs, more money is necessary. This offering is to apply on the fifty-cent-a-week fund, so all that is given at this time will help our churches reach their goals.

The following quotation from the Testimonies shows the importance the Lord attaches to this work:

"God has not placed us in the world simply to please and honor and glorify ourselves. The character of our Christianity is tested the dependent ones

who are around us, who are ignorant and helpless. It is not proper to pile building upon building in localities where there are abundant facilities, and neglect fields that are nigh and afar off, where there is need of starting missionary enterprises. Instead of closing our eyes and senses to the wants of those who have nothing, instead of adding more and more facilities to those that are already abundant, let us seek to see what we can do to relieve the distresses of the poor, bruised souls of the colored people. Those who are heaping advantages upon advantages where there are already more than ample facilities, are not doing a work that will strengthen men in spirituality, and for neglecting destitute fields they are weighed in the balances of the sanctuary, and are found wanting. The Lord has given abundant light upon the subject of diffusing the knowledge of the truth, and no one is justified in following a selfish course. Those to whom God has intrusted much, who command the largest resources in doing a good work in behalf of the needy, and who yet have failed to do it, have withdrawn themselves from their own flesh, and have neglected their ministry to God's purchased possession, in order to gratify their own inclination. How does God look upon those who have left the poor to their poverty, the ignorant to their darkness and ignorance? How does He regard those who are willing to let the lost remain the slaves of circumstances which could have been changed in such a way as to bring relief to the distressed? God calls upon men to become Bible Christians, to represent the example given them by Christ. Who can tell what will be the result of a self-denying, cross-

bearing life? Eternity will reveal the result of following Jesus, and all will be amazed at the fruit that will be made manifest."

May we not look for the largest offering that has ever been given in the Southern Union Conference to this needy work? We earnestly pray that the Lord will bless his people with a spirit of liberality.

J. L. McELHANY.

Nurses Wanted

The Kansas Sanitarium, Wichita, Kansas, will be glad to receive applications from those interested in a Missionary Nurses Course. Class work begins October 1st and applications should be sent in at once.

Will be glad to welcome my friends in the Southern Union who are interested in this line of preparation for service in the Lord's work.

G. H. CURTIS, Manager Kansas Sanitarium, Wichita, Kansas.

Notice

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Farmer boy, chore boy, every boy,—look—

What you need is a Christian education.

"One example is worth a thousand arguments."