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## To Young People Of Texas.

The Texas Camp meeting will soon be in session. We hope to meet a number of young people at the meeting who are thinking of attending Keene Academy the coming year.

This will be a good opportunity to learn about the Academy, for the meeting will be held on the Academy grounds; and other teachers as well as the principal will, doubtless, be in attendance. We will all be glad to do all we can to acquaint you with the school.

Excepting the Keene students, there were very few young people from Texas in attendance during the past year. As the school is located in Texas, it ought to furnish a number of young men and women. We hope our brethren and sisters of Texas will interest themselves in the school, and do all they can to induce consecrated young men and women to attend the Academy.

There is a great field opening up in the countries and islands lying south of us; Keene Academy ought to prepare laborers for this great field.

The Academy has sent some laborers into the island fields; many more ought to be prepared. Who will help us to obtain young people to be trained for these fields?

C. B. HUGHES.

## God's One Purpose.

[Continued from last week.]

**M**OREOVER concerning a stranger, that is not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a far country for thy name's sake; for they shall hear of thy great name and of thy strong hand, and of thy stretched out arm; when he shall come and pray toward this house; hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may

know thy name to fear thee as do thy people Israel." 1 Kings 8:41-43.

Did all the earth hear of that house and that people, and did they have an opportunity to teach them of the salvation of Jesus? Listen: "And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom that God had put in his heart."

But did they take advantage of openings that God had prepared for them? No. Instead of hastening the coming of the Lord, they put it off refusing to do his work, and the kingdom went downward until it ended in the Babylonian captivity.

Had the house of Jacob been faithful in reflecting the light of heaven to the world, how different the results would have been. The difference is seen in the 81st. Psalm. "O, that my people had hearkened unto me, and Isreal had walked in my ways!

I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adversaries. The haters of the Lord should have submitted themselves unto him; but their time should have endured forever." God's purpose would have been accomplished, a people would have been gathered out to populate the earth, and the end would have come.

No lines of prophecy were given previous to the captivity reaching down into the future, pointing out either the coming of Christ in humility or his second coming in glory, but as soon as the kingdom of Isreal was destroyed there was given to the Hebrews and through them to the world, a prophetic view of the unfolding of events both political and religious to the end of time; and Daniel said it was "for their sakes that shall make known the interpretation thereof to the king." In other words they were given for the comfort and guidance of God's people until the purpose in creation and redemption should be accomplished.

We have reached the "latter days"

and the last act in the unfolding of God's "eternal purpose" has been commenced—the hour of his judgment. Let us "look up and lift up our heads for our redemption draweth nigh," and not any longer hinder the consummation of our Lord's glorious purpose in behalf of his children.

L. W. FELTER.

## Privileges of Son-ship.

NO. 6.

**T**HERE is nothing that will inspire one to greater activity in accomplishing any given work than the assurance of success. This is true of the work committed to the remnant people at the present time. This work is the closing work—a work to ripen the great harvest preparatory to the ingathering of human souls at the second coming of Christ.

And from the view point of modern (popular) religionists, this work may seem a failure; but when rightly understood, it is the only thing, religiously speaking, that is not a failure.

## SOME ASSURANCES GIVEN.

This work is under the care and control of angels, hence it will succeed. See Revelation 14:6, 7. The Lord, after giving us the very words, also the extent of the message, and showing what it demands and denounces, also that it, in its great three-fold application is world-wide, He then assures us that it will be a success. He points with seeming delight to a company whom He describes as being patient; and another characteristic He mentions is that they are keeping the commandments of God and exercising the faith of Jesus.

The Lord never reveals to His people the great tests that await them without giving assurance of victory. Just so in this case, He not only describes the commendable character of

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## Arkansas Department.

WE hope that all who are coming to the camp meeting will remember to get a certificate when they purchase their ticket, thus enabling those who go by rail if the number is sufficient to go on one and one-third fare on the certificate plan.

### Extracts from Letters.

WE learn from a sister in Miama that the rains there have done serious damage; their crops which were their sole dependance are under water.

AT Afton not only the grain crops are destroyed through the excess of rain, but the cattle are dying rapidly.

FROM Heavener a good brother who is planning to canvass for fall delivery as soon as he gets through with his crop, writes that the country is greatly damaged by overflows.

SPRINGDALE and vicinity, the fruit belt of northwest Arkansas, will not realize over a third of a crop of the larger fruits, they having been blighted by so much wet weather.

It is thought that the excessive rains will injure the cotton crop, but to what extent has not been learned as yet.

IN lieu of the above what does the present condition of things remind us of?—(a) The time in which we are living. (b) The age of the world in which the fulfillment of the signs are rapidly developing. (c) Where the Spirit of Prophecy tells us that what was not done in times of prosperity would have to be done in times of adversity.

DEAR reader, is not this a foretaste of these times? We know that what affects the farmer in the way of ruined or damaged crops is seriously felt by the merchant and professional man, the circulation of money is retarded, and business becomes stagnant, which is not an encouraging outlook for the canvasser. Nevertheless what could once be accomplished in times of prosperity, will have to be done in times of adversity. "The work of the Lord must no longer be neglected by us and made secondary to worldly interests. We have no time to be idle or discouraged." "The publications containing the light of present truth, are to go forth to all places." The Lord tells us in His Word that He

will cut His work short in righteousness; notwithstanding we have the fullest assurance that every honest soul will be warned, but who is the Lord going to use to give the warning and saving message?—Is it you? is it I? If not, it will be some one. If we fail to do our duty, the Lord will have faithful ones who will meet the needs of the hour, and the crowns of victory will be awarded to the faithful, and not to the dilatory or neglectful ones.

AGAIN, what do these things mean?—That we are approaching the time of the harvest. And what does the Lord tell us the harvest is?—The end of the world. Are we gathering sheaves for the harvest, as well as sowing seed?—Yes there are none exempt there, but the nature of the seed and the number of the sheaves, the harvest alone will reveal. May we not be able to say in that day, "Lo this is our God, we have waited for Him, and He will save us: we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation." Dear readers, there are many precious souls without the saving knowledge of present truth, and we who have been led into this light, will not the Lord hold responsible according to the light and ability given us? May we seek with greater earnestness to gather sheaves for the harvest that we may hear the faithful well done, and that perishing souls may be saved. "It is high time to awake out of sleep; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Again: "The circulation of our literature is one very important means of placing before men and women the light God has committed to His church to be given to the world." Many souls will be saved in the kingdom through the reading of the saving gospel truth, that have not heard the voice of a preacher. In view of this, how important is the message through the canvasser and colporteur, also through the tract work and the "Family Bible Teacher" which has been previously alluded to in these columns—a set of twenty-eight Bible readings, only ten cents a set. With so many ways accessible to us for reaching the people, we have no excuse for negligence in practical missionary work.

### Our Camp Meeting.

THE time for our meeting is rapidly drawing near. We have learned

of several who are planning to go, but we hope to be agreeably surprised by finding many more there. Some who have planned to, write that the way is hedging to keep them away. Friends, that is just as Satan would have it; he knows there is a great blessing in store for those who attend, and don't let him rob you of it, even if it causes sacrifice on your part, for oftentimes the greater the sacrifice the greater the blessing. No cross, no crown. Let us pray for the success of the meeting, also let us support it with our presence as well as our prayers.

F. E. H.

### Feld Report.

RUSSELLVILLE.—At last we are at Russellville and are preparing for the tent meeting which will begin about next Wednesday night, July 27. The camp meeting will begin August 11 and continue till the 21st. We have been able to secure rates on the certificate plan; but this will do us no good unless fifty come on the rail road. Now if you will heed the admonition given you aforetime, and every body come, and I think we will have no trouble in having enough certificates signed. Let all come on the rail road who can, and thus help others. Ask your agent to sell you a ticket to Russellville, no the certificate plan, and the rest will be attended to, at the camp ground. U. BENDER.

### A Letter.

DEAR brethren,—Again we would call your attention to the spreading of the printed page, and the opportunity that will be given to receive instruction in this in this branch of the work at the camp meeting at Russellville. As we see the way opening in every land for this gospel of the kingdom, our hearts are made glad for we know our Master will soon come. But how about the work here and the responsibility God has placed on every one who has named His name here in Arkansas. O, may God place a woe on every one of us and give us no rest till we yield all to Him, trusting the guidance of His Spirit and stepping into the first opening that His providence may offer us. O, may our hearts burn for the unsaved around us, and may God give us no rest till we yield all to

work for Him. God has called us out as a people to give to the world the knowledge of the soon coming of the Saviour, and may God forbid that we should fail in the work He has given us to do. In a personal letter from Brother Pickney he says, "I just came to Tyronza, Arkansas and can not tell you how the good "Bible Readings" will go, but think it will go all right. I know the people need them, and I will endeavor to put them in their houses by the Lord's help. I do love to tell the people the grand truths we have." Are there not others who will go and do their part? Who will respond "Here am I, send me."

W. L. MANFULLA.

## ✦ Texas Department. ✦

### Field Reports.

WEST TEXAS.—We moved from Eula to Clyde about the first of June, where we held meetings most of the time for one month. Our meetings were interrupted several times by other ministers who had standing appointments at the school house where we were having our meetings. Our congregations were never large, but a few came out regularly and became interested. Four have already stepped out in the face of the intense opposition that has been manifested against us and the truths we are teaching.

The four mentioned above are two men and their wives by the name of Griffin. I trust they will make good consistant members, for they have had some severe tests already. They are supplying themselves with good books and are going to prepare to help others to see the glorious truths that God has caused to illuminate their minds. There are a number of others there who are deeply stirred and say they are going to give the subject a careful study. At Clyde we have made many friends for ourselves and for the truth. We trust the seeds of truth that have been sown there may bring forth an abundant harvest.

We moved from Clyde to Baird and held meetings in the court house one week with a very small attendance. We closed Saturday night, and I am now at Buffalo Gap finishing the work of seating the new church and getting everything ready for the local camp meeting. Brother Etheredge has gone to spend a few days with the Coleman

church and thence to camp meeting. I trust that a number of families of Adventists who want to help build up a good school will move to Buffalo Gap this fall. This is a good, healthful country, and we have a nice, new church here, which is about paid for. Some are arranging to come, but we want at least three more families. Land is cheap if you wish to buy. Remember the local camp meeting and come.

W. M. CUBLEY.

MINEOLA.—We closed our meeting at this place Sunday night, July 24, in order to attend our camp meeting. We closed with an interest and have had a good interest from the very beginning. The people paid close attention, and the Lord has blessed us in presenting these truths. We hope to be able to organize a church at this place in the near future. There are ten or twelve who have said that they are going to keep all of God's commandments. Then there are calls coming for meetings all around Mineola, and we expect to make an appeal for more help at camp meeting. We feel that now is the time to work this field while the people are stirred, before the enemy gets in and does his work. The ministers are already beginning to get stirred. Pray for the work still at this place.

T. W. FIELD.

ANDREW NELSON.

OMAHA—I am now holding meetings near Omaha. Two families that belong to the New Hope church live here, and desire very much that an effort be made to bring out others, that they may have a church School and help in their little Sabbath school.

This should be an example to all isolated Sabbath-keepers. I will remain here until camp meeting if I can get a hearing. Only a few as yet have been in attendance, owing to crops not being laid by.

Elder D. U. Hale requests that our local camp meeting, which is to be held at Hermitage, six miles south of Hughes Springs, close August 22 instead of 26. All should try to be on the ground by the 17th and stay until the 22 sure. This change does not effect the tents being put up on the 15th. Pray for us in Eastern Texas.

E. B. HOPKINS.

POETRY.—Since our last report last February we have continued

meetings each Sunday in every month at four different places. The interest to hear has increased some, and yet there are no new Sabbath-keepers.

Some have acknowledged the truth, and this has stirred the wrath of the enemy. A minister from Terrell came to our nearest school house. We thought he intended a revival meeting, but he turned his force against the message for this time, and at the end of a nine days' meeting he returned home complaining because no one was converted. Now we hear that literature written by one who has apostatized from the truth is being circulated among our hearers. We know not what will be the result, but we hope that some seeds of truth have fallen on good ground, and will bear fruit.

The young man who accepted the truth last winter seems to be growing in grace and knowledge. He says he wants to go to our school at Keene next term.

J. G. WILLIAMSON.

ROUND ROCK—It is some time since I wrote any thing about my work, so thought I must say a few words; at least to let you know that I am still in the work.

After leaving Clifton last Fall I came to this place to canvass among the Swedish. I am glad to say that I have enjoyed the work here. I have just finished a successful delivery.

I only failed to deliver two books among the Swedes; one had moved out of the State, and the other had been sick. Several times they met me at the gate with the money, and invited me to come again some other time with different books. One even told me he had been thinking that it was queer that there never came around any book agent, and he had been thinking that he ought to start out but now he was glad I had come.

During my canvassing I sold a good many books for cash, and the neighbors would see the book and read some in it before I would get to their house.

When I would come they would say, "yes I have seen that book, you need not take the time to show it to me. I like it fine: you can bring me one when you come to deliver."

Some stopped me on the road and said, "When are you coming to my house to show your book; you have sold one to my neighbor? Some of them were not at home when I had

been at their house and some lived on another road where I had not been yet.

Where I am now delivering I sold \$22.25 worth of books extra. I have had the same success among the Germans that I have in my territory.

I can truly say that I enjoy the work, and intend to stay in it until my work is done.

Although a canvasser has some ups and downs, he has many pleasant experiences that makes up for all the "downs." We were amused at the statement that one of our canvassers made not long ago about being stuck in the mud in the creek. I had just spent about three hours in the bottom of a creek that same week. It was only a very small part of my time that I spent in the creek, and the Lord was there too. These little difficulties that one has is what strengthens our faith and hope in God. My prayer is that God may bless the work in this state as well as all over the world.

God has some honest souls among these Swedish people and they need your prayers. One man told me the other day, that he was not an Adventist yet as there was no church of that kind here but he had read so many of their books that he was spoiled for a Methodist. Pray for us here.

A. J. JENSON.

STONEBURG—I held quarterly meeting with the Crafton church and also conducted a few other services in school houses. Came here in the neighborhood of Stoneburg last Tuesday, where Brother and Sister Sandefer, a worthy young couple are upholding the light of truth. Brother Sandefer went all over the neighborhood inviting the people to meeting. The attendance increased until yesterday (Sunday) forenoon the Mt. Pleasant school house, although unusually large, would not hold the people. And last night there were still more there. I have not seen the like for years. There is a most excellent interest awakened; prejudice is removed, and the good will of the people is seen for miles around.

J. P. LORENZ.

**Addresses Wanted.**

The Dallas church would like the addresses of the following named persons: Hattie Reynolds, V. A. Halsell, John Gregory, W. L. Gregory, Mollie Miller, M. L. Sosaya, J. C. or M.

G. Taylor, L. S. T. Hockins, J. J. Riley. Anyone knowing the address of any of these will confer a favor by sending it to the undersigned, R. F. D. No. 7, Dallas, Texas.

MRS. J. A. THWEATT.

**Report of Tithe**

FROM MARCH 31 TO JUNE 30, 1904.

Alvord, .....	\$ 3.38
Adhall, .....	16 30
Avinger, .....	16.50
Brenham, .....	20.50
Corsicana, .....	7.80
Cedar Grove, .....	8.92
Coleman, .....	27.30
Dallas, .....	57.40
Denison, .....	23.90
Edgewood, .....	13.45
Fort Worth, .....	8 05
Houston, .....	74 70
Hurnville, .....	4.10
Hutchins, .....	15.75
Hughes Springs, .....	11.40
Jewett, .....	15.00
Keene, .....	268.00
Levi, .....	15.55
Liverpool, .....	90.00
New Hope, .....	39.15
Peoria, .....	18.50
Poetry, .....	17.90
Plano, .....	20.70
Primrose, .....	8.90
Roby, .....	6 07
San Antonio, .....	65.55
Scattered, .....	107.20
Santo, .....	3.35
Trinity Mills, .....	3.25
Valley View, .....	129.14
Total, .....	1,137.71

T. T. STEVENSON, *Treasurer.*

**Rates to the Texas Camp Meeting.**

It was mentioned some time ago that the usual rates had been secured for our camp meeting this year. For the benefit of any who may not have seen the announcement given at that time we again give notice that a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip has been secured for this occasion, over nearly all the roads of the State—presumably over every one where we have any people living. Perhaps all understand what the certificate plan is—You pay full fare coming, taking a receipt for the ticket or tickets purchased, which upon being signed by the secretary at camp meeting will return you at one third fare. Now let every one be sure to get a receipt for each ticket purchased, otherwise you can not get the reduction returning. And if any agent hesitates or seems unwilling to give

receipts for tickets purchased because he seems not to know anything about the meeting, insist on having it any way. It is the duty of any ticket agent to give receipt for money paid for tickets to any point when asked for them, even if they know of no rate on their road. And those who have to travel over more than one road to get here must be sure to take a receipt for tickets purchased over each road traveled. Follow these instructions and you will get a return for one third fare.

W. A. McCUTCHEN.

*Trans. Agt.*

**A Card of Thanks.**

I wish to extend my thanks through the RECORD to some kind friend who left a magnificent water melon in our hall-way during the absence of our family Friday afternoon. Being unable to thank the donor in person, not knowing who it is, I take this means of doing so. Again I say, thanks.

W. A. McCUTCHEN.

**Camp Meeting Notes.**

There will be no choir this year at our camp meeting, but congregational singing alone. It was also voted by the committee that our large hymn book will be used for all singing this year, and all are urged to bring these books. "Christ in Song" will be used only as it may happen to contain what is wanted.

BE careful about your railroad certificates. Get one for each road over which you purchase a ticket, and be sure it is stamped by the agent.

REPORTS seem to indicate a large attendance this year. There ought to be. We are in troublous times.

The campus begins to look like a camp meeting. The pavilion and most of the small tents are pitched and the other work about them is going on rapidly. Able speakers will be here; the Lord will be here; all it needs besides is the presence of every Sabbath-keepers in Texas.

In addition to the speakers already announced for the Texas camp meeting, it is now expected that Elder S. N. Haskell will attend at least the latter part of the meeting. Brother A. F. Harrison, of the Southern Union Conference, will attend in the interest of the book work.

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**Camp Meetings for 1904.**

Texas, Keene. July 27, to August 7.

Arkansas, Russellville August 11-23.

Oklahoma, Guthrie Aug. 25 to Sept. 4.

As we will have no issue next week eight pages were necessary to clear up our hooks. We are therefore late.

**Another Waymark.**

EVERY week we see some signs which to the student of the scriptures are waymarks, showing us where in the world's history we are now living. Among the most frequent of these is the constant struggle between capital and labor.

Another great war between these two forces has broken out in Chicago. The trouble started in the immense packing houses there, and it has now drawn in the allied trades until it is estimated that there are close to one hundred thousand men out on a strike. The daily papers state that these are largely foreigners who can not speak a word of English. Chicago is already torn up with violence of every kind and much bloodshed. Be-

cause of this violence the strikers are losing the favor of the people at large. All negotiations looking towards an adjustment of the matter have failed, and the packers are now putting on non-union labor and building stockades, and preparing to fight the thing to a finish.

The employees of the allied packing houses in St. Paul, Kansas City, St. Louis, and Fort Worth are also out. The daily loss to the packers and men is very great. No one can predict where it will end as both sides are very determined.

**Announcement.**

We are glad to announce to our readers that the Life Boat Rescue workers have opened a house for needy girls and Christian Information Bureau at 2022 Chesnut street, St. Louis, near the Union depot. Go to west end of Union depot, then one block north to Chesnut street and half block west.

Any of our brethren who attend the Fair and wish to stop near Union depot, can find nice, clean rooms at the Life Boat Home.

Those who wish rooms or information concerning the Fair, or who have children in St. Louis, may correspond with Mrs. N. E. Holaday, 2022 Chesnut St., St. Louis, Mo., enclosing postage.

**A New Book.**

"OUR Little Folk's Bible Nature" is the title of a new book just issued by the Review & Herald Publishing Co. The author is Mrs. Ella King Sanders, who wrote the "Easy Lessons for Children" in the "Best Stories." Mrs. Sanders is one of the most experienced primary church school teachers in the denomination, and having had extended observation and preparation in lesson writing for children, she is thoroughly competent to produce a primary book adapted to the needs of the children in the home and the school.

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the ones thus called out of Babylon by this searching message, but He also gives the definite number as viewed by John, surrounding the One whose blood had purchased their redemption. They are now sealed, and are prepared to stand on the sea of glass, and join in the song of victory. This again furnishes the care-worn, self-denying messenger with the assurance of success.

We are not to suppose for one moment that all the blessings, privileges, and victories about which we are studying, are not to be accompanied by trials and difficulties of the most testing nature. No, we are assured that the above glorious and heaven-appointed work will be accomplished under the most adverse circumstances. We will here mention only a few of the many reasons why this is so. (1) Love has given place to iniquity—lawlessness. (2) People are given to appetite and drunkenness. (3) This excludes light and prepares the way for the "peace and safety" cry, and hence "my Lord delayeth His coming." Then follows the "scoffers, walking after their own lusts," who ask for the evidence of His coming. By all these and many more seeming insurmountable difficulties we may reasonably expect to be confronted.

**GOD'S UNMINGLED WRATH.**

With the above condition extant in the earth, and Satan, as the apostle Paul tells us, working just at this time "with all power, signs, and lying wonders, the way is fully prepared for the final and unparalleled visitation of God's wrath upon the wicked of earth, who will have then rejected His last offer of mercy, and thus prepared themselves for vessels of dishonor and destruction.

**GOD'S PROTECTION.**

Then those who have made God

their refuge and strength will have His protection. He assures us that no plague shall come nigh their dwelling. Isaiah in his view of this great testing time sees a company who are saying, "Lo, this is our God, we have waited for Him, and He will save us"—words of confidence. John in his view hears the wicked crying in agony for rocks and mountains to hide them from the piercing gaze of the One whose offers of mercy they have repeatedly refused.

As the child of grace recounts and enjoys all these heaven-bought privileges, they thrill his very inmost soul with aspirations as high as heaven, and as pure and holy as can be attained to, by poor, erring sons and daughters of Adam. But as they are showered upon us, we are constantly to keep in memory the enormity of the price paid for them. They cost the best gift heaven could afford—the life-blood of the spotless Son of God.

"Sons of God—immortal name—  
Heirs to endless bliss and fame,  
Arise and shine, they light is come,  
And soon you'll reach that promised home,  
There to join the sweet refrain  
In honor to the Lamb once slain."

W. M. CUBLEY.

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## Oklahoma Department.

### Monthly Report.

THE following is a monthly report of the Oklahoma workers for the month ending June 30:—

Number of workers, . . . . .	20
“ sermons preached, . . . . .	217
“ Bible readings held, . . . . .	296
“ other meetings “ . . . . .	36
“ missionary visits, . . . . .	839
“ persons baptized, . . . . .	2
“ persons obeying, . . . . .	12
“ subscriptions obtained for our periodicals, . . . . .	2

### Rates for the Camp Meeting.

WE have just received word from the rail road company about the rates for our camp meeting, and we will give it to you just as we received it from Mr. Black, the General Passenger Agent. Here it is:—

“For the occasion in question we shall authorize a rate of one fare plus 50 cents for the round trip, except where fare and one-third make less,

with a minimum selling rate of 50 cents, from all points in Oklahoma and Indian Territory to Guthrie and return; selling tickets August 22, 24, 26, 30, and September 1, with limit of September 6.”

Now brethren, I would advise you to see your ticket agent in time to ask him whether he has received instruction from headquarters about the matter. If he has not, he wants to be sure to have it when you are ready to go, for you remember that several had trouble last year because their agents were not notified, or may have carelessly overlooked it. The company promised to inform their agents.

When you buy your ticket, ask for a round trip to Guthrie. If you live on another road, and your ticket agent cannot sell a ticket to Guthrie, you will have to buy to the place where you change, and then buy another ticket and so on until you reach Guthrie. But be sure to get the cheap rates, for it is understood that all rail roads have agreed to give us the same rates. Tickets should be bought on the above dates. In case you should not get this rate as above stated, ask your agent to give you a receipt for your money paid and hand this receipt with the one you take when you return, to Brother Eagle, and we will try to get your money back, but this can only be done in case the agent was not notified.

We hope that there will be no difficulty this year. G. F. H.

### Field Reports.

BARTLESVILLE.—Elder Sorenson and I came to McLoud, Oklahoma the last day of May. On looking around we found a nice grove in a central point, in which to pitch our tent. We began meetings the first day of June with a fair attendance, but on account of heavy rains setting in right away, our meeting was hindered a great deal. As it was in a cotton country and so much rain made the grass and weeds grow so fast, the farmers could not attend the meeting. So we had none but the town people to attend. We had a very good attendance until we reached the Sabbath question, then our congregation began to fall off until only just a few would come. There were three ladies who promised to keep the Sabbath of the Lord. Others believe it to be the truth but

wished to investigate it further. We closed the meeting the third of July, after which we visited the people from house to house and held Bible readings with them for about a week and a half.

From there we shipped out tents to Bartlesville, Indian Territory, where we began another series of meetings July 16, with a good attendance. We have been here three nights and have had the tent nearly full every night. Some are beginning to become interested, and I believe this will be a good field of labor, but we feel the need of the prayers of God's people to assist us in the work in this place. Pray for us that the work may redound to the glory of God. J. B. HAMPTON.

KREMLIN.—The tent failed to get the people out in Pond Creek, though we did much advertising and other work. Two sisters took their stand with us for the truth anyway, and one more promised to obey.

We came down to Kremlin and began a tent effort on July 13. The people here turn out better. We have only spoken twice and the tent has been well filled. Wherever we find the truth lived up to, by our people, there always seems to be an interest to hear, and the work goes easily. It is hard to meet the arguments of those who see the truth held in unrighteousness by us. Pray for us.

W. H. WHITE.

W. E. BAXTER.

STROUD.—We held the quarterly meeting with the Oklahoma City church Sabbath, July 2. There was good attendance, and we enjoyed much of the blessing of God. Five were added to the church, and four were buried with their Lord in baptism.

We meet with the Shawnee church Sabbath, July 9, and held quarterly meeting with them. The brethren have moved away till there are only a few left. They have no ordained officers, so they have not had a quarterly meeting for about two years. We feel that something should be done to build up the work in Shawnee.

We closed our tent meeting at Chandler July 17. There were some six or seven who began to keep the Sabbath. We organized a Sabbath School and expect that there will soon be some ready for baptism.

We are now at Stroud and began meetings July 19. We hope to see a good interest developed here. We trust that we will have the prayers of God's people. A. E. FIELD.

**Notes from the Canvassers.**

I AM glad to say the Lord is wonderfully blessing the canvassing work in the Chickasha nation. We are having many interesting experiences here. I have already delivered some books. Two parties are almost keeping the Sabbath. I took in six hours, \$31.50 worth of orders. This is my first year in the canvassing business. The Lord will bless all who will go to work in earnest. Brethren, take courage, the Lord is our strength. It is those who hold out to the end that receive a reward. May the Lord bless all His workers, is my prayer. I intend to stay in the work until the Master comes. F. M. GARNER.

THE brethren in the northern part of the Chickasha nation are planning to have a church school, and they wish to correspond with any who desire to have church school privileges. They are located in a good farming country and would like to know how much land each one would like to have. They mean business. Correspond with R. L. McFarland, Paul's Valley, Indian Territory.

**\*German Department.\***

**Summarischer Bericht von den Arbeitern in der Oklahoma Konferenz für den Monat Juni,**

Anzahl der Arbeiter,.....	20
Vorträge gehalten,.....	217
Bibellesungen gehalten,.....	296
Anderer Versammlungen gehalten,.....	36
Getauft wurden,.....	2
Der Gemeinde zugethan,.....	.....
Missions besuche,.....	.....
Solche die in der Wahrheit wandeln aber noch keiner Gemeinde zugehören, Abonnenten für unsere Zeitschriften gewonnen,.....	12
Seiten von Traktaten verschenkt,.....	2
Besuche gemacht,.....	839

**Billige Eisenbahnfahrt zur Lagerversammlung.**

Wir haben eben von der EisenbahnGe-

fellschaft die Nachricht erhalten, daß sie uns auch dieses Jahr wieder halbe Fahrt giebt. Die Tickets werden an folgenden Daten verkauft: 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30 August und 1 September, und sind gut bis zum 6 September. Dies gibt euch genug Zeit wieder Heim zu kommen. Be-fragt euch in Zeit bei eurem Stations Agent, auf daß er von der Sache Bescheid weiß wenn ihr eure Billette löset. Letztes Jahr hatten manche keinen Nutzen davon, weil ihr Agent nichts davon wußte.

Wir wurden von der Haupt-Office ver-sichert, daß sie ihre Agenten davon in Kenntnis setzen, aber leider übersehen Letztere es. Wenn ihr eure Fahrkarten nicht direkt bis nach Guthrie kaufen könnt, so kauft sie bis dahin wo ihr umsteigt: von da wieder ein neues Billet u. s. w. Aber seht euch vor, daß ihr, wie man sagt „round trip“ Tickets kauft. Der Preis ist so viel als eine Fahrt nebst 50 cents ex-tra. Sollte jemand auf diese Weise seine Fahrkarte nicht bekommen können, so verlange er eine Quittung (receipt). Vor der Heim Reise wieder so. Beide Quit-tungen überreiche man dann Bruder Eagle. Wir werden dann versuchen das Geld wieder zu bekommen. G. F. H.

**Die Lagerversammlung.**

Die Zeit für unsere jährliche Zusam-menkunft rückt immer näher. Bald wer-den wir uns wieder von nah und fern zu-sammen befinden. Es werden manche vom fernen Osten und Westen kommen. Laßt uns alle zusammen kommen und den Herrn gemeinschaftlich suchen. Es ist dem Herrn wohlgefällig wenn Seine Kin-der zusammen kommen; hat er doch auch Israel befohlen drei mal im Jahre sich zu versammeln. Wenn es damals notwen-dig war, wie viel mehr jetzt, am Ende der Welt, in einer Zeit, da wir der Hilfe des Herrn besonders bedürfen. Niemand der im Lichte des prophetischen Wortes die Zeichen der Zeit erkennt, wird noch daran zweifeln, daß wir in den letzten Tagen leben.

Da der böse Feind weiß, daß er nur noch wenig Zeit hat, arbeitet er mit des-do größerer Macht, Seelen in sein Netz zu ziehen. Sogar solche, die sich seinen Ban-den entzissen haben, bekommt er nur zu häufig wieder in seine Kontrolle. Liebe Geschwister! laßt uns aufwachen und den Ernst der Zeit wahrnehmen. Manche wird der böse Feind dadurch zurück halten, daß er ihnen Hindernisse in den Weg legt, damit sie den Segen, den der Herr ihnea spenden will, nicht empfangen. Aber laßt uns die Sache ernst nehmen und

dem Herrn im Gebete unsere Verhältnisse vorlegen. Er weiß Mittel und Wege. Wenn es des Herrn Wille ist, daß du kommen sollst—und es ist Sein Wille, Joel 2, 15-17—dann wird Er auch Wege öffnen.

Wir werden gute Hilfe bekommen. Wir erwarten Bruder Schulz und noch ein oder zwei unserer Prediger aus ande-ren Konferenzen. Kommt nur alle. Bringt eure Kinder und Nachbarn mit. Es mag sein, daß ihr sie dadurch retten könnt. Der Herr helfe einem jeden die Sache ernst zu nehmen. G. F. H.

**Konferenz.**

Die erste Sitzung der Oklahoma Kon-ferenz wird in Verbindung mit der Lager-versammlung zu Guthrie, 25 August—4 Sept. tagen. Fragen wichtiger Natur werden zur Besprechung kommen. Auch werden bei dieser Gelegenheit die Beamten für das nächste Jahr erwählt. Wir möch-ten deshalb eine jede Gemeinde vertreten sehen. Es wurde letztes Jahr beschlossen, daß wir wieder auf den alten Plan zu-rück gehen und Delegaten als Vertreter wählen. Ohne Rücksicht auf die Gieder-zahl ist jede Gemeinde zu einem Abgeor-neten berechtigt und ferner auf je fünfzehn Glieder einen. Laßt eine jede Gemeinde danach sehen, daß die Zettel, die zu diesem Zwecke versandt wurden, rechtzeitig ausgefüllt und dem Schreiber der Kon-ferenz zugesandt werden. In ungewissen Fällen, ist es ratsam ein oder zwei Ver-treter extra zu wählen.

G. F. Haffner, Präsis.

**Zur Beachtung.**

Es wird sich auf dem Lagergrund ein Speisesaal befinden, in welchem gesch-mackvoll zubereitete Mahlzeiten zu 20 cents pro Mahlzeit, oder sechs für einen Dollar, verabreicht werden. Auch wird ein

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da sein in welchem ihr eure Groceries kaufen könnt. Wir werden versuchen alles nötige zu halten, so daß ihr nicht nach der Stadt zu gehen braucht. Wir möchten wünschen daß unsere Geschwister diesen „Store“ begünstigen. Der kleine Profit wird zur Deckung der Unkosten ge-hen. Im

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könnt ihr alles bekommen was von unserer Gemeinschaft herausgegeben wird. Sollte man es nicht vorcätig haben, dann wende man sich frühzeitig an die betreffenden Angestellten und sie werden euch das Ge-wünschte besorgen. G. F. H.

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E. F. Seat,	Kenedale	G C	30	46	15	37 50	5 00		
Artie Taylor,	Erath Co	D A					5 50		
Lydia Springstead,	Ereth Co	D R	19	22	5	12 00	1 00		
A. J. Jensen,	Round Rock	C K	20	17	13	19 00	4 25		4 00
J. L. Jones,	Comanche Co	D R	48	40	31	78 00			
Cullie Taylor,	Comanche Co	D A	32	41	15	55 50	5 85		
Elijah Taylor,	Erath Co	D R	58	61	28	63 00	4 25		
Total,	Agents, 7		207	202	170	275 00	25 85		4 00

**Oklahoma.**

W. L. Cooper,	Springer	B R	30	34	26	73 00	4 75		
Mattie Braley,	Hulen	G C	49	37	81	53 00	2 25		
A. R. Hill,	Sulphur	D & R	43	49		22 50			
Mrs. L. E. Hill.	Sulphur	L G	43	49		37 75			
F. M. Garner,	Tussy	D & R	36	32	16	54 75	10 90		
W. E. Birdenstine.	Hulen	G C	36	62	10	29 00	2 50		
Lyman Braley,	Hulen	G C	41	28	18	44 25			
J. B. McConell,	Claremore	B R	23	22	4	9 00	8 40		
Nellie Southard,	Ponca City	D of A	17	34	1	3 50	2 25		
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T. E. Bates,	Port	D & R	24	25	8	19 00			
Annie Bridenstine,	Hulen	G C	46	44	18	48 00	3 00		
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