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Educational Department

Conducted by C. Sorenson.

NOTES.

THE machinery owned by the Keene Canning Company has been purchased by the Academy, and is now placed in the building west of the printing office.

WE have been canning peas, string beans and beets. Next week the corn will be ready.

NINETEEN are connected with the different industries of the school during the summer. Evening classes are conducted for those desiring them. Each one is either taking one class or music.

REQUESTS for calendars are coming in nearly every mail. Last week brought requests from California, Idaho, Iowa, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Indian Territory, and New Mexico. Have you sent for one yet?

The Advanced Summer School.

OF the thirty-five attending the institute during the last few weeks of school more than twenty are in the field working for a scholarship. Others are making preparation to enter immediately. A number of those who entered the work earlier in the different conferences are working for the scholarship; and several are reported to have already more than sufficient orders.

These are not only engaged in missionary work of the highest order while gaining means to obtain an education, but are also gaining an education of the greatest value. Are there not other of our young people in the churches who will write to the missionary agent, and

put on the harness, determining to enter school on the scholarship plan?

Canvassing as an Educator.

I HAVE seen a green, diffident, awkward college student, right from the farm, so completely changed by his experiences in book canvassing during the vacation following his freshman year that you would scarcely have recognized him. Confidence and self-assurance had taken the place of timidity and self-consciousness. His canvassing tour had proven a tour of self-discovery. He had developed initiative, and the very discovery that he could sell something had increased his faith in himself.

Before he started out canvassing he was a very poor conversationalist, because of his great timidity and lack of experience; but when he returned to college in the autumn he talked very interestingly. His work had forced him to talk a great deal of the time to state his opinions clearly and pointedly, and to try to be interesting and convincing.

His experience has taught him a great deal about human nature. He had found that every person must be approached in a different way, from a different avenue; that what would convince one person might not have any influence upon another. So he had been forced to study people, to learn to read them, that he might be able to approach different types of men and women in different ways, each according to his peculiar temperament.

It is really remarkable how quickly a canvassing experience develops a spirit of self-reliance and manly independence. There is no leaning here, no depending upon the advice of others. The

canvasser must stand or fall alone.

There is nothing that will bring out the initiative, the resourcefulness and inventiveness in a man quicker than canvassing. Like traveling, it grinds off the hard angles and the rough corners of those who have not had the advantages of society.

Canvassing gives a great opportunity for studying human nature, and there is no other education like this. It is a great thing to learn to read people, to develop sharp discrimination of character, to be able to measure men, to weigh their motives.

The successful canvasser must be a great student of the approaches, the avenues to the mind, for no two people are reached in exactly the same way. One must be reached through cold, logical argument; another is reached through the influence of suggestion, by appealing to his emotions, his sentiment. Some are reached by an appeal to their pride, their personal vanity.

The canvasser must learn the susceptibilities of people, must find their approachable point, whatever it may be. He must learn the power of the first impression. He will soon discover that if he makes a bad impression at first, it will probably take him more time than he can get in the interview just to overcome this unfavorable impression, and to get back where he started. He will learn that with some people it is next to impossible to erase the first bad impression. It clings tenaciously.

Any kind of salesmanship employment is especially desirable for those who have been reared in the country, or who have not had the advantages of mingling with all sorts and conditions of people.

If a certain amount of canvassing were obligatory in all our col-

leges and higher institutions of learning, I believe it would be a good thing for the students, because it would develop resourcefulness and inventiveness; it would show them a side of their nature which a college course does not touch.

It is well known that many students who pay their way in college by canvassing develop a remarkably practical power which students whose expenses are paid by their parents do not possess.—*Orison Swett Mardin in July Success.*

Arkansas Department.

NOTICE.

THE Arkansas Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will convene at Siloam Springs, Ark., July 25th, 1907, at 9:00 A. M. for the purpose of electing officers and transacting such other business as may come before the association.

V. B. WATTS.

Field Reports.

SPRINGDALE, EUREKA SPRINGS, HARRISON.—June 17 and 18 I spent at Springdale with Brother Maris, who recently began canvassing for "Great Controversy." We have had a church there for many years and the vicinity has doubtless been well canvassed, yet he finds many people waiting for the opportunity to get more books.

From there I went to Eureka Springs, a well-known health resort in the top of the mountains, a difficult place to build a city, as no two streets could be on the same level, and very few buildings, yet people do this for health's sake. If all were anxious to get the water of life what a change there would be. It seemed to me a fruitful place for work. I met one Sabbath-keeper here.

Passing on through the rolling country of Carroll and Boone Counties, I stopped at Harrison where I found a remnant of the remnant

church. The *Review*, *Watchman* and *Signs* are regular visitors so the light shines steadily. I was glad to see the RECORD added to the list.

C. J. DART.

SILOAM SPRINGS.—The interest here is coming up a little. The average attendance is one hundred. At this time of the year the people of Siloam Springs are all taken up with large celebrations and picnics and running after pleasure, so it is hard to arrest them and get their attention.

Quite a number have expressed their desire to walk in the way of truth. We look forward to the camp-meeting at this place, commencing July 18, to be a great help in finishing up the work here.

We hope our brethren and sisters will not fail in making arrangements to attend this meeting. We need their presence to help on the good work here. We will further say that we have the nicest place for a camp-meeting in Arkansas. There is plenty of shade, the grounds will be nice and dry, with good water convenient. Plenty of ice can be had near by if needed. There is also a good place for wagons and teams, and everything else for convenience we could ask.

We hope our people will come and enjoy this good meeting we expect to have.

M. H. GREGORY,
V. B. WATTS.

✦Texas Department.✦

Field Reports.

HAMILTON COUNTY.—I thought perhaps a word from this part of the state might be an encouragement to others. Crop prospects are good, and we are getting along very nicely taking orders for "Great Controversy."

Out of 122 exhibitions fifty orders were secured for "Great Controversy," and yesterday out of eighteen exhibitions twelve orders were secured, eight for marbled,

three for library, and one full morocco, or \$35 worth of orders. Five "Best Stories" were sold for \$2.50, and \$1.30 worth of mottos for cash. The profit on the helps sold for cash was \$2.20. Three orders were taken for "Best Stories, making a total of \$40.35 worth of orders for one day's work, and a cash sale of helps, which is not so bad a showing for one day's work.

Although quite a number seem to think that "Great Controversy" is a hard book to sell, yet this shows that it can be sold just as readily as any of our other books. One thing I notice is that nearly every other person takes the book, and in some localities nearly every person takes it. Another thing noticeable is that the most of these people are of the best class, and these books deliver well. I delivered ninety-eight per cent here last year.

But there are quite a number who are buying land and have to make the money out of the crops to make their payments. I have been praying that the Lord would send plenty of rain to West Texas, that the faithful canvassers who have worked there may be enabled to deliver their books in the fall. Brethren, do pray for the work and workers in West Texas. We need your prayers. C. P. BODWELL.

Young People's Work.

THE work of our Societies has been advancing and enlarging, and we have much literature that is well adapted to our work.

The Temperance Number of the *Youth's Instructor* was a splendid one, and now the Christian Endeavor number of the magazine, *Liberty*, is out. This is an issue that we should heartily circulate at once, as there will be a Christian Endeavor convention held in Washington state early in July, and we should make an earnest effort to get a copy in the hands of each member of that society.

Let everyone do his part, and

we will sell a goodly number of this excellent number. Now is our opportune time to work. May God help us as young people to do our King's work with diligence.

Order of the Texas Tract Society, Keene, Texas. E. S. TAYLOR.

All Watch for Rates.

UNLESS we hear from the roads in the next day or so, we cannot give the railroad rates to the Texas camp meeting until next week. We expect them on the usual basis, but cannot announce them at present. Watch for notice of rates in our next RECORD.

The Alazan Meeting.

THE local meeting at this place, as has been announced, will commence July 9th. Arrange at once to attend, and do not wait until the opening of the meeting. Good help will be there, and the Lord has promised to bless our assembling together. Parents, bring your children. Children, bring your parents. All come praying for a rich blessing from the Lord.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

To Canvassers.

DEAR canvassers, the Lord is blessing you in taking orders, even though in some places the crops have been cut short. Have you thought why this is so? The reason is this,—The Lord has commissioned his angels to hold back destruction so that his servants may be sought out and saved. He has sent you to place in their hands saving truth. It *must* go to them.

Now after taking your orders by the Lord's help, are you afraid that the short crops or drouth will cut off your delivery? God knew about the crops when he helped you to get your orders. If he did, be sure he will be there when you deliver. There is but one way that you can fail. If you fail to implicitly trust the Lord where outward

indications are against you, partial failure will follow.

Our Saviour has made up his mind to give those people the truth before he lets this earth fail. Then will he let a slight crop baffle him, over which he had control all the time? It is said that in one place he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief. Then, dear fellow worker, when Christ must work more mightily to carry out his plan because of outward circumstances, do not let unbelief in you weaken his efforts. He can make the unfavorable things turn to his and your account by impressing the hearts of the people with their need of truth because of these very things that show uncertainty. *He will, do it* if your faith holds firm with him in it.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

Coleman Camp Meeting.

AFTER counsel, we have decided to appoint a local camp meeting at Coleman, Coleman Co., for the central west of Texas. The time is August 22 to Sept. 2. This will give barely time for the tents that will be needed to be sent from Fort worth after the state camp meeting.

Coleman is near the center of the companies and isolated brethren and sisters in that part of Texas, and is easily reached by rail from the east, west, and south by way of Brownwood. We hope there will be a general effort to make this meeting one of blessing and renewing of hope and courage. We will speak more of this meeting later.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

The Secret of His Power.

[Concluded.]

After his short period of personal ministry on earth the Saviour ascended to heaven to enter upon his service as High Priest; but he left the church as his representatives, to take up the work where he left off, and carry it forward till the end of time. Today the sick, the

sorrowing, the distressed literally crowd the thoroughfares of life. The earth is today a vast lazareto. Every breeze is laden with the cries of suffering humanity. The appeals for help—often only for loving sympathy—are pitiable. It was the chief work of the Master while personally here among suffering mortals, to respond to each and every call from suffering humanity. Truly, "he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows." How are his representatives carrying out this line of gospel work? Is it not a fact that in this age of hospitals and sanitariums the disciple is trying to shift responsibility in this particular, and do his work by proxy? The gospel message which recognizes existing conditions of real sorrow and suffering, and earnestly tries to alleviate, as far as possible, the pitiable conditions ever present on every hand, which meets the distressed and suffering with real heart to heart sympathy will never be lacking in glorious results, and will bear upon its banner the unmistakable seal of divine approval, and its divine origin.

W. R. PATTERSON.

How Much Owest Thou?

WE were recently greatly refreshed to know that a brother and his wife had made a donation of five hundred dollars to the \$150,000 fund. Before this we had not known of a larger donation than \$116 made by any single individual to this fund. This was made by a brother in the South who has recently come to the truth. Such gifts are an inspiration. Such examples ought to be contagious, and if the people are made acquainted with them, they will be. These gifts must come freely, as unto the Lord. There is no other merit in them, and their influence is uplifting, inspiring.

Go thou and do likewise. This may not mean that every reader of this article can give five hundred

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OUR space is limited and we do not solicit general advertisements. We are glad, however, to accommodate those who may wish to advertise places, or other matter which it is proper to admit to the columns of such a sheet. Such will be admitted at the above rates per column inch.

Camp Meeting Dates.

Arkansas, Siloam Springs, . . . July 18-28
Texas, (local) Alazan, July 9-15
Texas, Fort Worth, Aug. 1-11
Oklahoma, (local) Woodward, July 23-28
Oklahoma, El Reno, . . . Aug. 22-Sep. 2

News Notes.

CHRISTIAN EGNER, a former member of the Academy class of 1898, and now connected with the Boulder Sanitarium, visited friends here over Sabbath and Sunday.

E. S. TAYLOR went to Coleman County night after the Sabbath to visit some canvassers.

ELD. C. Sorenson went to Brenham Thursday night to visit the tent company and church there over the Sabbath. From there it is understood he will go to Houston on his way to the East Texas camp meeting at Alazan.

ELD. W. W. Eastman spent the Sabbath and held quarterly meeting with the church at Waco.

THE church at this place held their quarterly meeting last Sabbath, with a large attendance and good interest. Elder Santee was present and led out in the exercises.

A REPORT was received for the quarterly meeting from a former resident, Miss Ruby Hobbs, who now signs herself Mrs. C. W. Jamison.

ELD. W. A. McCutchen spent last Sabbath with the church at Denison.

Miss Nora Hiatt left last Friday night for her home in Winfield, Kansas, intending to remain for a few days with her sister Mrs. E. L. Neff in Fort Worth.

R. G. KELLER and wife went to Whitesboro yesterday to visit relatives there.

J. W. KIRKPATRICK has sold his interest in his fruit farms in North Texas and is at home for the present.

Miss Ava Hopkins arrived home Sabbath to assist her mother in caring for Mrs. Hardin who is very low with consumption.

A JAPANESE gentleman gave a moving-picture exhibition here in the public school building last night, illustrating the habits and customs of Japan, together with many war scenes.

Miss Ollie Taylor went to Cass

county last Wednesday night, where she expects to teach music this summer.

THE *Dallas News* of this morning states that a telegram has been received in Dallas announcing the finding of the body of Eld. A. G. Bodwell, who was drowned in the Gila River on the last day of January. It was found near Simonton, Arizona, and will be buried at that place.

MR. Ward, foreman of the Academy farm, returned Monday morning from a visit to his home at Lufkin, Texas.

MISS Annie Laurie McCutchen has been quite sick this week but is much better now.

ELD. C. Santee is in Fort Worth and Dallas today on business.

EDWARD Wallen starts tonight for Kenna, New Mexico, where he may locate if he finds a place to suit him. Excell Giddings went with him to join his father there.

Miss Almetta Garrett left last night for her home in Oklahoma City. She has been assisting in giving instruction during the Texas church school teachers' institute.

QUITE a number of those who have been attending the church school teachers' institute left last night, some for their homes and others to their fields. Part of them will canvass until their schools open this fall.

Miss Ethel Row, who has attended the Academy for the past two years, is spending the summer with her sister in Shreveport, La. She expects to sell papers this summer, and writes us that the first two days she tried the work in six hours she sold eighty-eight papers. She has good reason to feel encouraged over her start.

THE *Atlantic Union Gleaner* reports quite an agitation for Sunday enforcement at Harrisburg, the capital of Pennsylvania. The ministerial association appointed a committee to call on the mayor and request him to ask the ministers to

preach a sermon on Sunday enforcement. They also appointed four clergymen and three laymen to act as spies on the merchants of the city. A rigid campaign has been marked out.

Read the camp-meeting notices in this issue.

Be Still and Wait.

MRS. SOPHIA V. PARKER.

Just to be still, though earth's dark clouds lower;
 Just to be still 'mid their threatening power;
 Calm and composed in everything;
 Just to be still, and trust in Him.

Just to be still, though earth's rough winds shake;
 Just to be still, though the tempests break
 Over our heads in pitiless din;
 Just to be still, then, and trust in Him.

Just to be still, though we cannot see
 Why that so different it should be
 From our own way in so many things;
 Just to be still, then, and trust in Him.

Oklahoma City, Okla.

Camp Meeting Laborers.

THE camp meetings will soon be here and many are doubtless wondering what general laborers will attend the meetings this year. Of course Elder Porter, president of this union conference will attend them all, and we are notified that Eld. K. C. Russell from the General Conference will attend all. We have some hope that Elder Daniells will attend some or all of the camp meetings, but this is not decided yet. These mentioned, together with some of the local conference brethren who will exchange, will be able to give good help. There can be no question about the attendance of the holy angels and the Spirit of God in a large measure, so that all who come seeking benefit will not need to go away without being filled.

The past year has brought us strong evidences that the work of God in the earth is closing up very rapidly. Already it seems that but little can be done in many of the

cities, except by personal work, and even that is not easy.

While the storm-cloud is plainly to be seen in the distance we still have a little time of peace in which to work and carry the message. How important it is that there be a grand rally of our people at the camp-meetings this year, and that all who come should come expecting a blessing and fitting for more active service. Who can predict of a certainty how many more such occasions we shall enjoy unmolested? Let us improve the opportunities before us.

From the Other Side.

IT has been quite common, and very necessary for the ministry among Seventh-day Adventist to warn the churches against lowering the standard of church order and discipline. This has been a God-given duty that has not been carried too far. It is one of the important safeguards the Lord has thrown around his church. Today there was handed to me the following copy of an action taken by a church and addressed to the ministry:

"It was voted that this committee does most earnestly protest against some of our ministers giving advice to other churches which tends to break down the discipline this church is trying to maintain.—Action of Keene Church Advisory Committee June 27, 1907.

We are glad to hear from the other side, and as there are more ministers than those in Texas who may be benefitted by this protest, we pass it on through the columns of the RECORD. Fellow ministers, let us not become slack on these matters. We are the watchmen upon the walls and will not be guiltless if we give the trumpet an uncertain sound. Sometimes we become faint hearted, believing that the churches do not appreciate our efforts to maintain the standard of order the Lord has given us. But from the above reasonable view we can see that our churches are not asleep to these dangers, but that when we slacken our efforts

they see it and are troubled.

The larger share of perplexing trouble that comes to our churches grows out of slackness and carelessness in maintaining proper discipline and order, from the first request for membership to the last request for a letter to some other church. The ministry must be an example in word and act.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

Of Interest to All.

FROM various quarters come words of commendation of the plan that has been inaugurated by the *Watchman* to collect and preserve suitable quotations bearing on different points of our message.

The president of one of our conferences says, "It will be of untold value to our workers."

The secretary of one of our Sabbath school departments wrote a few days ago, suggesting that all our young people should secure copies of the scrap-book, saying that it would educate them into being more observant of items published in our papers, and would prove of value to them in after years. We heartily endorse these sentiments, and believe that this plan would also be a source of encouragement to them to take hold of the work, and use the matter thus placed in their hands.

Many of our brethren, who are not actively engaged in the work, have written that they wish to preserve the excellent matter contained in the *Watchman*, and others of our papers, and desire one of the scrap-books for that purpose. So, it is evident that the *Watchman* scrap-book plan is "of interest to all."

The first edition of the books is entirely sold out. The books, composing the second edition, is a little larger, a little better gotten up, and will be furnished for 65 cents or two new yearly subscriptions and 15 cents for postage. These books are sold at practically their exact cost, the object being to assist our people in preserving the

valuable matter that will be published in the *Watchman*.
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dollars, or even one hundred to this work, but you can make the same gift in proportion to that which God has given you. We call to remembrance, while the \$100,000 fund was being raised for the work in Washington, a brother in New York state who gave something like eleven hundred dollars to that fund; and we understand that this gift represented nearly all the worldly goods this brother possessed. Such gifts preach a powerful sermon.

Some widows in Israel, also certain widows among us as a people, have also made gifts smaller in quantity, yet larger in sacrifice, that have constituted a mighty appeal to those who have much to give much.

How much owest thou? You can never measure your debt by that of another. To whom the Lord has given little, of him but little is required. To whom he has given much, of him much shall be required. Shall we not have during the raising of the remainder of the \$150,000 fund, a large number of gifts which recognize the principle that we owe our all to him who gave us in the beginning our life, and finally gave us his life to redeem us? How much owest thou?

J. S. WASHBURN.

Oklahoma Department.

Encouraging Reports From Two of the Keene Students.

THIS week we are getting in a few good reports from some of the students who went out from the Keene school. It might be interesting to give an itemized report of two of the boys who are working for "Daniel and Revelation." The report of C. H. Chenault runs as follows:—

Monday, 12 hrs, 8 ord, val,	21.00
Tuesday, 12 " 6 " "	26.00
Wednes, 12 " 1 " "	2.00
Thurs, 12 " 7 " "	22.50
Friday, 7 " 6 " "	12.00
Totals, 55 " 27 " "	74.50
Value of helps sold for cash,	.75
Total,	\$75.25

Brother Chenault is canvassing in a very thinly settled portion of the Indian Territory, near Okmulgee. He has, however, been putting in good time, and the Lord is blessing him for it. You will notice that he worked fifty-five hours during the week, and then had nearly one-half the day Friday left to be used in preparing for the Sabbath.

The other report mentioned is that of Brother Abe Miracle. It might be said that his report is also a "miracle,"—a miracle of God's grace, for this is his first report, and certainly the Lord has blessed him. Brother Miracle is working in Indian Territory near Wewoka, and his report is as follows:—

Monday, 10 hrs, 9 ord, val	28.50
Tues, 10 " 8 " "	22.00
Wednes, 7 " 8 " "	22.00
Thurs, 10 " 9 " "	28.50
Totals, 37 34	101.00
Helps sold for cash,	3.75
Total,	\$104.75

Yes, this is Brother Miracle's first attempt at selling our books, and surely the Lord has added his blessing to his work. It is gratifying to know that the Lord is no respecter of persons, but is just as willing to bless all who will "trust and obey." V. O. COLE.

PAPERS SOLD.

Report from June 2-22, 1907.

Name	Place	Hrs	Signs
Mrs. L. Kaiser	Claremore	8	42
Lottie Fittro	Oklahoma	32	203
Ula Fittro	"	21	84
Dula Stilson	"	25	194
Mrs E A Goss	Enid	9	56
Mrs. Taylor	"	4	30
Nettie Newton	"	10	35
Alice Pickett	S McAlister	5	190
Lula Robinson	Marlow	1	10
May McFarland	Marlow	2	8
Lula Henry	Muskogee	4	6
Totals, 11 agents		123	858

		Watchman
Ula Fittro	Oklahoma	98
Lottie Fittro	"	99
Mrs. Stilson	"	136
Mrs. Goss	Enid	112
Lula Henry	Muskogee	48
Nettie Newton	Enid	36
Total, 6 agents,		529
Special Instructors sold		45

This report is quite encouraging, and the workers with our papers are of good courage. It is a demonstrated fact that papers can be sold, and we hope to have many more engaged in this line of work. We ought to have some one in each of our large towns selling the papers.

ANDREW NELSON.

Field Reports.

NOWATA.—I am enjoying the work of the Lord at present. I meet with many good experiences. I will relate one.

As I drew near a house I said, "Lord, I can carry the work to the door, but cannot sell it. This is thy work, and I am thine; thy will be done." On entering the house, I drew out my prospectus in a business manner and began to work. Before I hardly knew it, I had given the canvass. I got his order for the best binding, and sold for cash \$2.50 worth of helps. He told me that if I would get him a family Bible he would be very glad. I received a few words of recommendation from him, as he was an influential man. All this was done in about twenty minutes, then I was gone.

The Lord is certainly in the work. I am of good courage. Pray for the work and canvassers everywhere. OLEN D. KAISER.

TECUMSEH.—Brother Rupert and I came to Tecumseh, pitched our tent, and commenced meeting on the 5th of June. We have had a good interest, the attendance ranging from sixty to 250 until last week. We had four days and nights of rainy weather. The Southern Methodists also held their conference here from Wednesday until Sunday, so our crowd was greatly diminished; but there were some interested ones who came anyway, and now the weather has

cleared up and the people are coming back again.

There have never been any Adventist sermons preached here before we came. The people say they are enjoying the meetings fine. Of course we have not reached the testing truths yet, but we hope that some will take their stand for the truth.

Pray for the work here in this place that precious souls may take their stand for the truth which we all love so dearly.

J. B. HAMPTON.

Church School Teachers' Institute.

OUR church school teachers' institute will be held at El Reno, Okla., beginning July 15. Brother Hiatt, of Kansas, is expected to be with us and also Sister Garrett, and we are expecting to have a good institute.

I have secured the examination questions used in the Central Union Conference, and we will use the same questions here. We hope our institute will be a grand success. We are going to do all we can to this end, and hope that all who expect to teach the coming year will attend. Tents will be furnished those who attend the institute free of charge. ANDREW NELSON.

Have You Read It?

I HAVE just read the leaflet, "A call to service," by Sister White. I find it the most helpful and encouraging message that has come to me in a long time. I wish that every Seventh-day Adventist in this conference would secure a copy and read it over and over until all would become filled with its spirit, and then labor as never before for our friends and neighbors who are lost in sin, and whose probation is fast closing.

Let us go to work first for those who are around us. You need this leaflet; and if you want it, send to the Oklahoma Tract Society, Box 1198, Oklahoma, Okla.

E. L. MAXWELL.

Muskogee Young People's Society.

ON May 18, the young people of this church met and organized a Young People's Society. For our lessons, we follow the instructions in the *Youth's Instructor*.

We are sorry to lose one of our young men, but he has gone into the canvassing work and is doing well. Brother and Sister Wales are devoting two days of each week to the "Family Bible Teacher." Each member of the Society has his readers, and in this way about 700 families are taking and studying these truths.

The Society ordered 250 of the Temperance Number of the *Instructor*, and in two weeks were ready for more. One little boy in an hour and a half sold fifteen papers, and averaged in a week sixty-four papers and twelve subscriptions. We are partly supporting two families with food.

We are paving the way for a series of tent meetings. I feel that now is the time to work here in Muskogee. It is a city of 27,000, and surely it is not Sodom and Gomorrah, for quite a number are saying, "What do these things mean? and What will be the outcome of all this?"

We are of good courage, as there are three new ones keeping the Sabbath; and we feel that now is the time to work, for the night cometh when no man can work.

Some in this city are inquiring the way of life, and if it is not given to them now, I fear it will be too late in a few months. Pray for the work here, and that we may receive help before long.

VIDA DOWNS, Sec.

Obituary.

DIED, of typhoid fever, June 23, 1907, Joel Raymond Ward, son of Mack and Susan Ward, aged 11 years and 7 days. Little Raymond suffered, struggling with the dreaded disease for about thirty

days, being delirious a part of the time, but when in his right mind was patient and seemed to enjoy hearing the *Little Friend*, which he was having bound together and read to him.

Because of the sickness of a smaller brother, who took sick about the same time, there were no services held except at the cemetery, where a large company gathered, to whom the writer made a few brief remarks from Matt. 18: 1-3, showing that such as become as a child in obedience to God's word, and with the simplicity of a child, held on in simple, trusting faith, sorrow not as those who had no hope. We then laid him away to wait the call of the Lifegiver, with confidence that we shall meet him again if faithful in the morning of the resurrection.

J. R. EYMAN.

Notice.

ALL mail intended for Brother C. M. McDonald or myself or anyone who will attend the teachers' institute, which begins here soon, should be addressed, 462 N. Bickford, El Reno, Okla.

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Weather Report

Week ending June 29, 1907.

Date.	Temperature		Rainfall, in inches and hundredths	Character of day.
	Highest	Lowest		
23	92	74		Clear.
24	93	72		"
25	91	72		"
26	94	73		"
27	94	71		"
28	96	71		"
29	102	75		"

These readings are from government standard instruments exposed in the manner recommended by the Chief of the Weather Bureau. H. T. CURTIS.

Farm for rent.

I desire to rent my farm of 160 acres nine miles southwest of Oklahoma City, to some good Adventist. Ninety-five

acres under cultivation, forty acres pasture, the rest hay land. Frame house, barn, plenty of good water in well at the door; living water in pasture. Will rent reasonable for cash. Can give possession August 1st. Address Berrien Springs, Mich. J. B. BLOSSER.
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Canvassing Reports for Week Ending June 22, 1907.

Name.	Address.	Book.	H'rs.	Ord's.	Value.	Helps.	Del'd.	Val.
Texas.								
J B Baker	Austin Co	G C	16	3	7 50		1	2 50
Helen Baker	"	G C	10	4	10 00	25		
W A Henderson	Harrison Co	B R	16				2	4 50
Mrs A E Hammett	Comanche Co	D R	6			4 10		
Elijah Taylor	Coleman Co	D R	32	24	66 00			
V E Cleckner	McLennen Co	G C	13	6	15 00	2 50		
H J White	Monday	B R	32	14	33 50	5 25		
J D Reider	Marshall	B R	28			50	5	13 25
A J Jensen	Round Rock	B R	30	11	41 75	7 75	1	3 25
S R Creel	Angelina Co	B R	23				19	53 25
O Wade	Young Co	G C	38	3	9 50	5 50		
A Prewitt	Avinger	B R	34	4	10 50	1 00	8	18 00
W M Sandell	Stonewall Co	D R	1	2	6 00			
T A McFarland	Ellis Co	H H	36	9	27 50		3	10 50
Oren Durham	Ellis Co	H H	47	34	105 00		1	3 50
C P Bodwell	Hamilton County	G C	47	24	68 00	4 00		
J H Monk	Rockwall Co	D R	58	27	105 50	1 65		
J W Davis	Rusk Co	D R	43	12	33 00	5 70	8	25 00
E F Seat	Glenrose	G C	41	22	59 00	8 23		
Adella King	Bosque Co	G C	31	8	22 00	1 25		
Grace Eastman	Bosque Co	H H	38	8	20 00	2 75		
G E Smith	Acquilla	B R	30	25	80 25			
A T Jones	Hood Co	B R	22	17	51 25	1 00		
W A Long	Hood Co	D R	33	18	58 00	7 25		
Totals	Agents 24		705	275	829 25	58 68	48	133 75
Oklahoma.								
*W R Brewer	Seminole	G C	74	21	61 50	14 25		
Ed Wiswell	Choctaw	G C	25	12	35 00	1 50		
F M Garner	Seminole	D R	22	41	53 50	1 25		
R Y Pickett	Choctaw	D R	8	4	10 50	2 25	8	12 50
C H Chenault	Okmulgee	D R	55	27	74 50	75		
B F Heifner	Okmalgee	D R	35	1	4 50	20		
A Miracle	Wewoka	D R	37	34	101 00	3 75		
W D Glass	Washita	B R	21	7	16 75	4 50		
Mrs E E Glass	Washita	B R	20	4	9 00	1 75		
Eddie Taylor	Choctaw	C K	10	1	2 50	25		
Ola Watkins	Busch	C K	15	7	7 50			
*A H Owen	Bartlesville	H H	36	36	121 00			
W, R Wright	Bartlesville	H H	31	23	61 50			
A R Hill	Poarch	F L	36	18	19 00	3 00		
Totals	Agents 14		425	236	577 75	33 45	8	12 50
	* Two weeks.							
Arkansas.								
Ira Newkirk	Crawford Co	B R	51	38	103 50	3 75		
H J Post	Grove	H M	40	4	7 00	1 00		
C E Rudisaile	Crawford Co	D R	48	10	25 00	3 50		
S O Gunn	Grove I T	H M	40	8	16 50	2 75		
W B Maris	Springdale	G C	26	1	4 35			
F Pruet	Sebastin Co	D R	48	11	32 50	3 25		
J Tucker	Sebastin Co	D R	48	20	58 00	3 25		
D M Twiggs	Sebastin Co	B R	37	6	16 50	3 00		
C E McSarrow	Independence Co	G C	14			25	6	16 00
Eltie Newkirk	Clay Co	C K	12	5	5 00	1 75	2	2 00
Lou Oliver	Pettigrew	H H	11	9	25 50	2 60		
O H Rudisaile	Batesville	C K	13				7	10 50
Totals	Agents 12		388	112	293 85	25 10	15	18 50