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## SOUTHWESTERN UNION CONFERENCE SIXTH BIENNIAL MEETING NOW IN SESSION

### Reports of Meetings Being Sent to the Newspapers

WALTER L. BURGAN IN  
CHARGE OF THIS WORK

The Press Bureau of the General Conference was inaugurated on January 1, 1912, and the writer was invited to become secretary of it. The object of the Press Bureau is to give widespread publicity to the Third Angel's Message through the secular newspapers of the country.

Since the bureau was inaugurated many phases of the message have been heralded through newspapers in quite a number of states. The writer has reported the proceedings of the Atlantic Union Conference session, which was held in Brooklyn, N. Y., January 8-21, and the meeting of the Central and Northern Unions which met in joint session at College View, Neb., Jan. 16 to Feb. 1.

It was the aim of the General Conference Committee to have re-

ports published of all the union conference meetings that are to be held in the United States this winter and the coming spring, and, in consequence Elder C. B. Haynes, of Baltimore, was sent to report the proceedings of the Southeastern and Southern Union Conferences because of their dates conflicting with the meetings held in Brooklyn and College View.

The writer is furnishing daily reports of the Southwestern Union Conference meetings to the principal daily papers in the large cities of Texas and also sending reports of particular interest to papers in New Mexico, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Though this is a new departure for the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, it is believed to be something that will spread the gospel quickly and help to cut the Lord's work short in righteousness. The newspaper goes into almost every home in the cities and along every railroad line, and is delivered by the rural mail carrier to homes along every country road and lane. In fact, it is the only thing that goes into every home that can carry

### Representatives of the General Conference in Attendance

SIXTY-FIVE DELEGATES  
FROM FOUR STATES

The sixth biennial session of the Southwestern Union Conference convened at the appointed time at Keene, Thursday, Feb. 1. Most of the delegates from the six conferences arrived the day before and were located and ready for work when the first meeting was called.

As Elder Daniells, the General Conference president, and the other General Conference representatives could not be here at the beginning of the meeting, the reports from the field were given and conference business transacted awaiting their arrival.

Each president rendered the biennial report of his conference and all showed growth in every department. Mrs. G. F. Watson reported the Mission work. The treasurer's report was rendered and adopted Friday. The nomi-

nating committee and other standing committees were appointed the first day of the meeting and the following partial report adopted: President, G. F. Watson; Secretary-Treasurer, C. E. Smith; Field Missionary Sect'y, A. F. Harrison.

Elders A. G. Daniells and G. B. Thompson arrived Friday and have been conducting the meetings since they came. The Ministerial Institute is now in session and conference business is suspended until this part of the program closes the last of this week. All meetings are well attended and delegates and visitors are intensely interested.

A large number of visitors are present from different parts of the Union. The General Conference representatives present are Elders A. G. Daniells, G. B. Thompson, A. J. Haysmer, N. Z. Town, and W. T. Knox, Thaddeus Legg, stenographer, and W. L. Burgan, reporter.

Reports of each session will be sent to the daily papers in the leading cities in this Union Conference for publication. Details of the daily proceedings will be published in future issues of the RECORD.

The delegates present are as follows:

#### AT LARGE

A G Daniells  
G B Thompson  
A J Haysmer  
N Z Town  
W T Knox  
Elder McReynolds

#### UNION CONFERENCE

G F Watson  
C E Smith  
E E Farnsworth  
W W Eastman  
H H Hamilton

#### ARKANSAS

J W Norwood  
V Watts  
C J Dart  
J A Tucker  
Mrs J W Norwood  
Leslie Littell

#### OKLAHOMA

David Voth  
N Clausen  
Miss Mary Baxter  
T J Hickman  
C M McDonald  
R B Coberly  
I A Crane  
A A Meyer  
A J Voth  
J R Bagby  
W R Hanson  
Mrs Carrie V Hanson  
W T Ramsey  
G B Boswell  
C L Collison  
W L Adams  
William Voth  
Miss Almetta Garrett  
Miss Faye Eagle  
H L Wilcox  
U B Dake

#### NEW MEXICO

H L Hoover  
I T Repnolds  
W A T Miller

#### NORTH TEXAS

W A McCutchen  
E B Hopkins  
C W Miller  
W M Cnbley  
E W Carey  
W F Field  
Albert Belz  
J W Davis  
H B French  
R L Routt  
J D Matthews  
J H Dortch  
A W Jenson  
W D Dortch

#### WEST TEXAS

T W Field  
H E Giddings  
J L Parnell  
G A Lagrone  
E H Wilcox

#### SOUTH TEXAS

J I Taylor  
J A Leland  
N H Conway  
E L Neff

#### SOUTHERN PUB. ASSN.

R L Pierce

#### KEENE ACADEMY

C B Hughes

#### COLORED MISSION

Charles Lightner  
M Jones  
R H Devreaux

The following visitors and workers are attending the conference:

Misses Artie and Cullie Taylor  
Miss Sarah McBurnett  
Mrs R L Pierce and daughter  
Mrs N H Conway  
Mr and Mrs James Haggard  
Elder H Clay Griffin  
William A Woodruff  
Mr and Mrs J H Monk  
Mrs David Voth and daughter  
Mrs William Voth and daughter  
Miss Hazel Hanson  
Mrs T J Hickman  
Mrs W L Adams and daughter  
Elder W E Baxter  
M S Hubbell  
Mrs A E Daniells  
Mrs V B Watts  
R L Benton  
Mr and Mrs M R Proctor  
Mr and Mrs Frank Weeks  
B rt Bray  
Mr and Mrs J S McMullen  
Mrs J I Taylor  
Mrs E L Neff  
Mrs J A Leland  
J H Wilcox  
C U Taylor  
Mrs L E Cox  
Miss Enie Martin  
Miss Isora Watts  
Miss Robin Hunter  
Miss Maude Dortch  
Dr and Mrs D C Ross  
Mr and Mrs O J Corwin and daughters Pauline and Hazel.

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## CHIROPRACTIC DOCTORS AND SPIRITUALISM

E. W. Wolfe, in Iowa Workers' Bulletin

In visiting among our churches I find some Seventh-day Adventists very much enthused over a healing cult called Chiropractic; some are circulating their literature and advocating their teaching. Believing that they and many others do not understand either the nature of Chiropractic nor its source, I pen these lines.

I have before me the "Annual Announcement from the Chiropractic Head," "The Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa." From this work I quote the following: "Prospective students should remember the P. S. C. (Palmer's School Chiropractic) is presided over and studies are taught by B. J. Palmer, D. C., Ph. C., the developer of Chiropractic." P. 71. "The Palmer School of Magnetic Healing was organized and incorporated years before the Palmer School of Chiropractic was a reality. One was the outgrowth of the other. There is no place where the branch ends and the rose begins; so it was with Chiropractic. It started when D. D. Palmer started, although not so known or so called. Chiropractic's beginning began when the man began practicing Magnetic Healing." Id. pp 71, 72.

What then is Chiropractic? Its "Fountain Head" and author defines it to be Magnetic Healing in revised form. What is Magnetic Healing? Its teachers tell us it is Spiritualism, and later on in this article you will notice that it is so designated by the Spirit of Prophecy.

What Magnetic Healers say: In a letter in the New York Institute of Science, Rochester, New York. I read the following: "Hypnotism, Mesmerism, Spiritualism, Fortune-telling, Clairvoyance, and Magnetic Healing as taught today, were

known a hundred years ago as witchcraft, for that is all they are, and one who taught or practiced them would have been hanged as a witch or wizard, but we have taken a new name and now we are popular." It was at Rochester, New York, modern witchcraft began its work in mysterious rapping and mesmerism, and it has since developed various forms of Spiritualism. God says: "And when they shall say to you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep and mutter: should not the people seek unto their God?" Isa. 8:19. There shall not be found among you any one that useth divination, or any observer of times, or any enchanter, or a witch, or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord. Deut. 18:10-12.

Those who understand the Bible know that Spiritualism is founded on the false doctrine of the immortality of the soul and though they do, by satanic power, heal diseases, yet who would not rather have a physician who does not need to cover his real character. It would be well for all to consider some of these things before accepting as light the teachings of the people.

Chiropractic doctors claim that, "by adjusting the spine they cure every disease. And that all sickness is cured by a displacement of the spine." S. A. pp 199, 201. This is absurd. Dr. Palmer says: "Chiropractic is not a medical course;" "nor is it Osteopathy," but "a new thing" whose teaching is "negative and mysterious." Id. pp 141, 138, 70. And further, "No standard of education is required to matriculate in this school," and "Seven-eighths of the students are laymen, who after an eight or twelve month's course, go out able,—better qualified than M. D's. or D.O's.

—to cure all human ills." Id. pp 65, 67, 106. All the title this man at the "Fountain-head" has is that bestowed on him in his own school after a twelve month's course,—D. C., Ph. C.,—Doctor of Chiropractic and Chiropractic Philosopher." Id. 46. And what is yet more astonishing is to find this school through this man, branding medical doctors, Osteopathy and Gospel Ministers as being educated in ruts. Id. pp 53, 140.

"Ahaziah fell down through the lattice in his upper chamber that was in Samaria, and was sick; and he sent messengers, and said unto them go, inquire of Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron; whether I shall recover or not of this disease. But the angel of the Lord said unto Elijah the Tishbite, Arise and go to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, is it because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron? Now therefore thus saith the Lord, thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou hath gone up, but shalt surely die." This narrative most strikingly displays the divine displeasure against those who turn from God to Satanic agencies." Testimonies for the church, Vol. 5, p. 191.

"The history of King Ahaziah's sin and punishment has a lesson and warning which none can disregard with impunity. Though we do not pay homage to heathen gods, and thousands are worshiping at Satan's shrine as verily as did the kings of Israel. The very spirit of heathen idolatry is rife today, though under the influence of science and education it has assumed a more refined and attractive form. Every day adds sorrowful evidence that faith in the sure word of prophecy is fast failing. And in its stead superstition and Satanic witchery are captivating the minds of men. All who do not earnestly search the Scriptures and submit every desire and purpose of life to that unerring test, all who do not seek God in prayer for a knowledge of His will, will surely wander from the right path, and fall under the deception of Satan.

"The heathen oracles have their counterpart in the spiritualistic mediums, the clairvoyants, and for-

# STATEMENT of FUNDS

1910---1911

SOUTHWESTERN UNION CONFERENCE S. D. A.

<i>Union Conference Trust Funds</i>	CR. BAL.	RECEIVED	TOTAL	PAID OUT	DR. BAL.	CR. BAL.
Annual Offering	533 86	5798 36	6332 22	6332 22		
Africa	2 00	32 52	34 52	34 52		
Aged and Orphans		1 00	1 00			1 00
Armenian Fund		6 00	6 00	6 00		
Brazil		1 00	1 00	1 00		
Birthday Offerings		67 30	67 30	67 30		
Blind Fund	11 00	391 67	402 67	288 55		114 12
Bible Teacher Keene Academy		540 00	540 00	540 00		
Canvassers' Fare, India		4 02	4 02	4 02		
Colored Work S. W. U. Conf.	597 59	525 00	1122 59	1122 59		
Colored Students at Huntsville		2 47	2 47	2 47		
Colored Work in the South	16 45	1766 71	1783 16	1783 16		
City Mission Fund		10 75	10 75	10 75		
China		396 00	396 00	396 00		
Chicago German Church		6 00	6 00	6 00		
Clinton German Seminary		3873 06	3873 06	3718 06		155 00
Christian Record		5 05	5 05	5 05		
First-day Offerings	60 40	521 56	581 96	581 96		
Foreign Missions	129 22	5484 25	5613 47	5613 47		
Ft. Worth Church		2 50	2 50	2 50		
Free Will Offerings		32 00	32 00	32 00		
Foreign Mission Seminary		49 65	49 65	49 65		
Deposit Accounts		44 54	44 54	23 75		23 79
German Educational Fund		3 25	3 25	3 25		
Gen. Conference per cent. Fund		4759 41	4759 41	4759 41		
German School, New York		2 50	2 50	2 50		
German Literature		2 00	2 00			2 00
German Mission Fund		3 00	3 00	1 00		2 00
Hindsdale Sanitarium		1 00	1 00	1 00		
Hill Crest School		40	40	40		
India	1 50	18 65	20 15	20 15		
Ingathering	485 64	3352 08	3837 72	3837 72		
Japan		4 00	4 00	4 00		
Keene Academy H. and L. Fund		171 30	171 30	171 30		
Korea		4 50	4 50	4 50		
Keene Church School		3 33	3 33	3 03		30
Loma Linda Sanitarium		60 00	60 00	60 00		
Literature for Soldiers		5 00	5 00	5 00		
Most Needy Field	15 00		15 00	15 00		
Mid Summer Offerings		1561 96	1561 96	1561 96		
Mission Board		677 81	677 81	677 81		
Ministry of Healing	13 30	936 70	950 00	950 00		
Moslem World		14 80	14 80	14 80		
North American Foreign Dept		5 20	5 20	5 20		
Orphan's Home	41 95	1 75	43 70			43 70
Oakwood School	11 68	19 67	31 35	31 35		
Old Mexico		38 05	38 05	38 05		
Poor Fund		6 06	6 06			6 06
Philadelphia German Church	2 30	14 15	16 45	16 45		
Philippine Islands		75	75	75		
Religious Liberty		232 89	232 89	232 89		
Religious Lib., S. W. U. Conf		24 13	24 13			24 13
Southern Pub. Assn., Panama		50 00	50 00	50 00		

<i>Union Conference Trust Funds</i>	CR. BAL.	RECEIVED	TOTAL	PAID OUT	DR. BAL.	CR. BAL.
Sloyd, Keene Academy . . . . .		10 53	10 53	10 53		
Story of Joseph . . . . .	13 35		13 35			13 35
S. S. Offerings . . . . .	174 11	16138 85	16312 96	16312 96		
Self Denial Offering . . . . .		2 60	2 60	2 60		
Southern Miss. Soc . . . . .		54	54	54		
Singapore Redemption Fund . . . . .		25 00	25 00	25 00		
Sustentation Fund . . . . .		2585 21	2585 21	2585 21		
\$300,000 Fund . . . . .		4484 35	4484 35	4484 35		
Tamil Mission . . . . .		3 80	3 80	3 80		
Waco Ch. Papering Fd. (Col'rd) . . . . .	3 00	5 15	8 15			8 15
West Africa . . . . .		7 25	7 25	7 25		
White Memorial Church . . . . .		67 08	67 08	67 08		
Watchman Press, Jamaica . . . . .		127 00	127 00	127 00		
Y. P. Work S. W. U. Conf. . . . .	1 79	3 08	4 87			4 87
General Conf. Appropriation . . . . .		14023 48	14023 48	14023 48		
<i>Mission Trust Funds</i>						
Aged and Orphans . . . . .		2 95	2 95			2 95
Annual Offerings . . . . .		42 68	42 68	42 68		
Birthday Offerings . . . . .		2 21	2 21	2 21		
Colored Work in the South . . . . .		18 01	18 01	18 01		
Colored Work S. W. U. Conf. . . . .		28 05	28 05			28 05
Devalls Bluff School and Farm . . . . .		70 21	70 21	601 44	531 23	
Foreign Missions . . . . .		27 55	27 55	27 55		
First-day Offerings . . . . .		14 59	14 59	14 59		
Free Will Offerings . . . . .		2 05	2 05	2 05		
General Conf. Appropriations . . . . .		5810 47	5810 47	5810 47		
Ingathering . . . . .		5 29	5 29	5 29		
Literature Fund . . . . .		05	05	05		
Mohammedan Field . . . . .		1 05	1 05	1 05		
Midsummer Offering . . . . .		8 71	8 71	8 71		
Mission Board . . . . .		2 83	2 83	2 83		
Orphan's Home . . . . .		2 50	2 50			2 50
Poor Fund . . . . .		55	55			55
Religious Liberty . . . . .		1 50	1 50	1 50		
Sabbath School Offerings . . . . .		299 81	299 81	299 81		
Self Denial . . . . .		1 14	1 14			1 14
\$300,000 Fund . . . . .		3 05	3 05	3 05		
White Memorial Church . . . . .		1 00	1 00	1 00		
Y. P. Missionary Volunteer . . . . .	6 91	83	7 74			7 74
<b>TOTALS</b> . . . . .	2121 05	75366 75	77487 80 89 83 77577 63	77577 63	531 23 441 40 89 83	441 40
Tithe . . . . .	2248 07	23502 15	25750 22	23604 68		2145 54
Trust Funds . . . . .						441 40
Cash on Hand . . . . .						2586 94

*C. E. Smith*

*Treasurer Southwestern Union Conference*

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I hereby certify that I have audited the books, vouchers, and papers of the Southwestern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for the two years ending December 31, 1911. The statement hereto attached is a correct statement of receipts and disbursements, and cash on hand January 1, 1912. The books are correct and in balance.

**Harry H. Hamilton**

Auditor Southwestern Union Conference.

Keene, Texas, January 1, 1912.

tunetellers of today. . . . "The prince of darkness has appeared under a new guise, his agents still claim to cure disease. They attribute their power to electricity, magnetism or so-called sympathetic remedies. In truth they are but channels for Satan's electric current. By this means he casts his spell over the bodies and souls of men.

"The mother watching by the sick bed of her child, exclaims, 'I can do no more. Is there no physician who can restore my child?' She is told of the wonderful cure performed by some clairvoyant or magic healer, and she trusts her dear one to his charge, placing it as

verily in the hands of Satan as if he was standing by her side. In many instances the future life of the child is controlled by a Satanic power, which it seems impossible to break." Id. 192, 193, 194.

"It is not safe to trust in physicians who have not the fear of God before them. . . . Angels of God will preserve His people while they walk in the path of duty; but there is no assurance of such protection for those who deliberately venture on Satanic ground. An agent of the great deceiver will say and do anything to gain his object. It matters little whether he calls himself a 'Spiritualist,' an 'electric

physician' or a 'magic healer.' By special pretense he wins the confidence of the unwary' . . . 'disguising himself as an angel of light' . . . soon they are completely in his power, sin, disgrace and ruin is the terrible sequel. Our only safety is in preserving the landmarks, to the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according this word, it is because there is no light in them." Id. 194, 195.

In conclusion we would recommend our readers to study and heed the counsel given in the testimonies, "Shall We Consult Spiritualist Physicians," found in Vol. 5, p 191. E. W. WOLF.

# MISSIONARY WORK REPORTED

## DECEMBER 1911, NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

(Including Report of the Missionary Volunteer Societies)

	DALLAS	EDGEWOOD	KEENE	AVINGER	CED'R GRV'E	NEW HOPE	TOTALS
Number missionary visits	35	35	57	10	5	5	147
Meals provided	30	7					37
Hours Christian help work	30	2	31	20			83
Sick persons assisted	5	6		2	3		16
Treatments given		4					4
Articles clothing given away	5	5	38		1		49
Papers received	230	57			24		311
Papers lent or given away	145	71	718		2		936
Books lent or given away	8		20			6	34
Number of Reading-racks			2		2	1	5
Missionary letters written	9	15	124	19	2	2	171
Letters received	2		10	51			63
Bible read'gs or cottage meet.	33		5			5	43
No. attending Bible readings	20					20	40
Number of periodicals sold	200		279				479
Periodical Subs. taken	1		14				15
Number books sold	50						50
Children brought to S. S.	1	1					2
Tracts lent or given away	223		407	200	7	9	846
Signatures to Temp. pledge		1					1
Times reading racks filled			2				2
Retail value of literature sold		\$ 1 20					\$ 1 20
Retail val. literat. given aw.		2 98			\$ 3 85		6 83
Am't collected for missions	\$10 00	2 25	\$ 8 73		9 65		30 63
Home missionary work		5 25	18 16				23 41

**REPORT OF MEETINGS BEING SENT**

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the truth with it. The newspaper was started to be used by God's messengers and its columns are open for the publication of the truths of the last message of warning to the world. The opportunities before us to spread the gospel through the newspapers are immeasurable.

Not only is the writer attending the Southwestern Union Conference session, but also, to bring to the attention of the brethren, especially the ministers laboring in the cities, the possibilities before us to have our truths published in the daily press, a class in newspaper reporting will be organized, at which all the essentials in writing for the newspapers and the many sources of news we have in our denomination will be brought out.

WALTER L. BURGAN.

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Keene, Tex., Feb. 6, 1912.

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fruiting period which makes it an excellent home berry. C. B. HUGHES.

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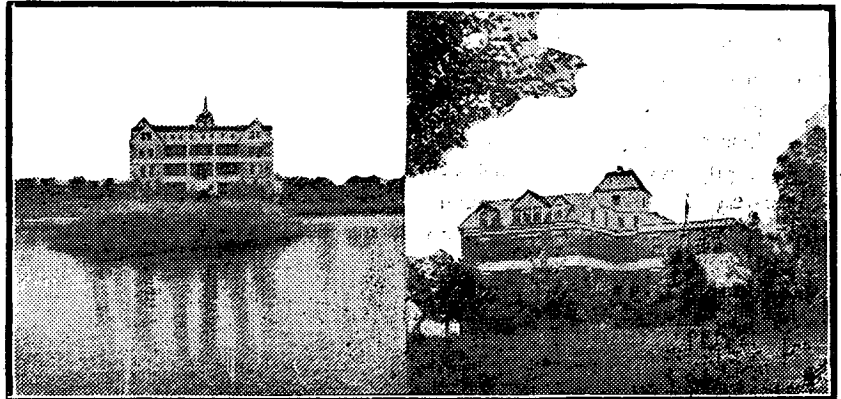
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

## Prayer

RESTRAINING prayer, we cease to fight;  
Prayer makes the Christian's armor bright;  
And Satan trembles when he sees  
The weakest saint upon his knees

## NEWS NOTES

Miss Inez Patterson is visiting her father W. R. Patterson, and family this week.

Miss Letha Taylor is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. L. Taylor, and attending Union Conference.

B. F. Smith and W. W. Smith and families, formerly of Waxahachie, Texas, have moved to Keene. They have rented the C. E. Davis property and will take possession soon. Bro. Davis and wife will enter the canvassing field.

Dr. W. A. Ruble, of Loma Linda, California, gave a stereopticon lecture at the Keene church after the close of last Sabbath. A large congregation attended and all were interested in viewing the scenes and hearing of the work in the college of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda.

## CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the good people of Keene and vicinity for their kindness to me during my recent illness. When I arrived in Keene on New Year's day I was in good health, and little dreamed of the misfortunes in store for me; however the Lord, who "doeth all things well," knows best. May God's richest blessings rest on each and every one of you is the prayer of your humble servant,  
W. B. COLLINGS.

## BEGIN NOW

Begin now to make your offerings in behalf of the Religious Liberty work, which is to be taken up Sabbath, Feb. 24, 1912, and make it the largest you have ever given:

1. Because it is the only general offering that is to be given the Department for its work during the year.

2. Because the forces which are arrayed against the cause of religious freedom are rapidly increasing.

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