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A MESSAGE FROM BROTHER BROWN IN BRAZIL

A lump seemed to fill my throat as I read in the RECORD of May 13 of the Latin-American Day in Keene Junior Sabbath school, how they wore a card which said, "I'm backing Latin-America today." Now the lump was not caused by any sadness or disappointment, but with joy to know that you are backing Latin-America and the missionaries who have gone out from S. W. J. C. I am acquainted with the material at Keene and I know it means success to Latin-America.

Since coming to Brazil I received a letter from Sister Corwin saying the children of the Sabbath school at Keene were praying for my success. I was president of the children's Sabbath school and I want to tell them through the RECORD that I received the letter at the very time I needed it most. I was just then passing through the greatest difficulties of my life and that letter seemed to life me up



THE MISSION FAMILY AT RIO DE JANIERO, BRAZIL

Reading from left to right, standing: João Martini da Cunha, Bible worker, Elder J. E. Brown, director of the mission, Miss Catherine Pinta, Bible worker. Sitting: Mrs. J. M. da Cunha, Ora Lauerine Brown, Mrs. J. E. Brown, and Mrs. Regina Braga, Bible worker.

over the critical moment. Keep it up, children! You are a part of the good success God has given me in Brazil.

I am telling these things to the people in the church here at Rio de Janiero and they will respond on the thirteenth Sabbath of the second quarter with a vote and a liberal offering to "back No. America." I wish I could tell you what fine, liberal people we have in Brazil. Do you think they don't love this truth and do not give of their means to support the work? You are mistaken. They are a kind-hearted and liberal people and make the best of Christians.

I have the first two lady Bible workers that the Brazilian church has produced working with me in this city. Now the American girls will have to hurry to beat them. Mrs. Braga is the widow of an army captain and has very little education. Sister Catherine Pinta was a telephone girl about

three years ago, a strong Catholic and had never heard of such a book as the Bible. She also had an education only sufficient to read and write. Today they are giving Bible studies to more than forty persons each and have good prospects of getting most of them into the truth. They are a power in the hands of God for the salvation of souls.

Just a word to tell the students how to work successfully in Latin-America. It would do no good here to go out and hold a six- or eight-weeks meeting because no one would come and if they did they would not know what you were talking about. They do not know the difference between the Bible and universal history. And they are very afraid. You must commence by creating friendship, then a sentiment in favor of the Bible, then get them to buy a Bible, then to receive personal instruction, then invite them to meeting. The majority of them will not come to your meeting until they are pretty well along in Bible study.

You can easily see that this is not the work of a few weeks, but of years. The conversion of most Brazilians can be traced back to from one to one and a half years and upwards of study. Now to shorten this process I have made a great success of the "Home Missionary Work." The Brazilians are the best propagandists in the world. If they know a little of something they can make others know it. Therefore if you can get one you can get others and others and so on. They will follow like sheep if you can get one to break over. Therefore you must be a good Bible worker and a wise general. If you are a good home missionary organizer and have a small church to begin with, the people will spread our literature and get their friends to buy the Bible and create a sentiment in your favor and give the first lessons in the Bible. Then, if you are a good Bible worker, you can step in and after six or eight months of instruction they are ready for baptism.

They all smoke, drink and gamble, and about thirty-five percent are living in concubinage, so you must get them over these vices and get them legally married but many times they cannot marry for they have a legal wife and are living with another and the law here does not give a divorce from a legal wife. We have six cases of this kind in the church here who

cannot be baptized. You can readily see that this slow process is the only safe one.

Five months ago I came to Rio de Janeiro and found the church disorganized. I commenced to organize and make a propaganda for the home missionary work. The church commenced to sell our Portuguese "Signos dos Tempos" (Signs of the Times). In the month of May they sold more than 9,000 copies. We hope soon to raise it to 10,000. We have now the addresses of 150 people who are much interested, and more than forty are ready for baptism. The majority of this forty will be baptized on July 12, if God is willing [this article was written June 20, 1919]. Our offerings are more than double what they were last year. We have beaten our mission goal almost 100%.

You must remember that we, for lack of finances, have neither tent, theater, nor hall, but only a bad looking hall in an out-of-the-way place which will not hold our people, with nothing but ugly benches to sit on. But we are getting some nice people. All this is home missionary work, so you see it pays.

We need a good church building of our own, and we are commencing to raise the money. Perhaps we will not be able to raise it all. Would you like to help?

May God inspire the young people at Keene to love the Latin people and give their lives for them.

J. E. BROWN.

HARVEST INGATHERING IN OTHER TONGUES

It is undoubtedly of great interest to our people of the Southwestern Union Conference to know that this year we shall have the Harvest Ingathering papers, published, not only in English, but in thirteen foreign languages.

These papers will be made to correspond in size with the English edition. All are published in Brookfield, Ill. except the Spanish which is gotten out in Mountain View, Cal.

Does not this sound like pentecost where every one can hear the gospel in his own tongue? We here in the United States and Canada are somewhat situated like Israel of old with the foreigners around us and in our midst. What are we going to do for these our neighbors, whose house or

farm joins ours? Why has God placed these people so close to us if not for the purpose of giving them the blessings which He has so richly bestowed on us?

These foreign people have not much literature in their own language and therefore receive a paper which they can read as a friend whom they understand. They are far away from old environments and are open to new truth, that is why they came to this country. They readily adopt American ideas and therefore think you are their friend if you come to them with attractive magazines.

This work, however, cannot be left to one or two people. Everyone who has the love of the truth in his heart must do something for the stranger next to him. Do not excuse yourself by saying that you cannot talk to the people. The magazines will do that part. All you have to do is to carry the papers to them. The most of these foreign brothers will be surprised to know how you ever came to have a paper in their language. They will see at once that you are interested in their welfare.

As to giving, you will find the majority of them very liberal. From their childhood they have been taught to give to church purposes so it comes natural for them to do charity work. You must tell them the work you are doing and you will be surprised to see the hearty response. There is no price set on these papers. Tell the people they are free and whatever is donated will be used to send the same light back to their friends in the homeland.

You do not know what this kind of missionary work will accomplish for your foreign neighbor. It might bring him into the kingdom of God. Now why not put forth an extra effort this year and take a survey of your foreign neighbors and order a supply of the above mentioned magazines at once through your tract society. Only one edition will be printed and when that is exhausted your order cannot be filled.

There is so much dissatisfaction among these foreigners. Show them that in this paper they will find comfort for their troubled souls. It is worth while for us to share in the blessings of the Harvest Ingathering of these foreigners in the kingdom of God. Then we will be fellow citizens together with the saints.

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CAMPMEETING IN KEENE

The second local campmeeting in the North Texas Conference was held at Keene, Texas, August 11 to 17, 1919. The constituency of the North Texas Conference is 1,036, and about one-fourth of them reside here. This being the location of their college the people have gathered in and live here. It is getting to be a Battle Creek on a rather small scale.

The meetings were held in the large and commodious church building that the brethren have built here. The dining room in connection with the college was utilized for boarding purposes. Many of the people that attended the meetings lived in their own homes and a number of the brethren and sisters from Ft. Worth, Dallas, Dalworth, Sherman and other places came to the meetings.

Altho the campmeeting was somewhat unique on account of the surroundings yet a full camp-meeting program was carried out during the whole time. Every department of the conference was considered. The heads of all the departments were present and looked after their work with painstaking care, and most successful work was done. Elder Christman from the General Conference was present in the interest of the Home Missionary work. Dr. Truman was present from the Loma Linda college and gave several most thorough and enlightening talks on health and how to live. Elder W. F. Martin, also, was present in the interest of religious and civil liberty, and rendered good help not only in that line but in others as well. Elder M. Lukens, the president of the union, was present and labored much in the interest of the meetings, and most of the other union laborers were present and assisted in the meetings, aside from the president of the conference, Elder David Voth, and other local workers.

The weather was hot but the meetings being held in the large church afforded great relief from its oppressiveness. The brethren and sisters attended all the meetings with commendable faithfulness. Morning, afternoon and night they were most all

there and the house was well filled. Surely these brethren and sisters from the South are about the best and most patient listeners that it has ever been my pleasure to meet. No criticism whatever can be made on their faithfulness in attending the meetings.

The general tendency and drift of the preaching was not only to unify but to edify and build up the people in the truth and to arouse them to the importance of taking hold and finishing this work. The brethren in Keene are not wealthy, but most of them are the reverse, and yet they are willing to do their part.

The Junior College here last year had an enrolment of about 226.

Under Professor Nelson's management, with his faculty, there has been considerable enlargement and improvement. They are building a new dormitory this summer and they plan to have it completed for use at the beginning of the next term. There is a large constituency of young people in this union, and the college here should be full to overflowing. When our people fully appreciate the difference between our schools and the schools of the world our educational institutions will be full and more.

Near the close of the meetings some over \$1,500.00 was raised for missions and their local work. Nearly \$500.00 worth of books was sold, and thirty persons were baptised and others will be on their return home.

Best of all the Holy Spirit was with us and helped in every meeting. To the Lord be all the praise.

E. W. FARNSWORTH.

CAMP-MEETING AT JEFFERSON

The brethren in the North Texas Conference planned to hold three local camp-meetings this year instead of one general meeting. There seemed to be some advantages in this arrangement.

The first meeting of this series was held at Jefferson, Texas, July 31 to August 10, 1919. Jefferson is located well to the eastern part of the state, and not far from the Louisiana state line. It is an old and rather quaint town. Sixty-five to seventy-five years ago it was an important distributing center of merchandise for all the eastern part of Texas, the boats running direct to New Orleans from here. At that time the city had about 45,000 inhabitants, but after awhile the railroads came in from St. Louis and Kan-

sas City and other places and the steam boat traffic ceased. The railroads and the city did not agree and so Jefferson was left somewhat high and dry. It has about 3,500 inhabitants now.

The dwellings seem very quaint to a person newly come to the city. Most of them are old and very large. Being built when lumber was very cheap and labor next to nothing, the size of the house did not matter much. The brethren had secured me a bedroom in which to sleep in one of these old mansions, and it was twenty-five feet long and twenty feet wide and the ceiling was about fourteen feet high. There were four large windows and a hall twelve feet wide that ran through the house and the bed room opened into this hall. Surely I had plenty of fresh air for it seemed like sleeping in the wild with the blue for a covering. It is needless to say that I greatly enjoyed it all.

The general sociability and genuine kindness with which the people of the town received us was refreshing indeed. They permitted us to pitch the camp in the school grounds where we had plenty of shade trees and also gave us free use of the water. Two of the churches gave us the free use of their church buildings and in every way they seemed to take pleasure in doing what they could to make our stay pleasant and profitable to us. Nothing can surpass southern hospitality.

There were about fifty tents pitched on the grounds and something like 250 sabbath-keepers in attendance. There are not many of our people in that part of the state. From first to last the meetings were good and spiritual. Elders Boettcher and Christman were present from the General Conference and Doctor Truman from the Loma Linda college. Elder Lukens and the other union laborers were also present part of the time.

God gave us good liberty and freedom in preaching His truth. There was some interest to hear on the part of those without. About \$700.00 was raised for missions and also for their home-work to assist the college and to purchase tents and other things.

Several revival meetings were held and many made a start either for the first time or made a reconsecration of themselves to the Lord and His work. Judging from the testimonies of the brethren we should think the people were encouraged to still press on to

IN THE QUIET DARKNESS

She could not sleep. The city's sultry breath drifted in through the open window and the tantalizing fingers of the city's life drummed upon her brain. She tried to put her thoughts away, to withdraw herself into the quiet, soul-soothing atmosphere that sometimes gave her breath, but she could not.

So she rose and went to her reading table. And finding there the July Watchman Magazine, she read it thru from cover to cover. "Then," she writes, "it came to me afterward in the quiet darkness that you might like to know your thought had found its way to one who has sometimes felt its splendid freedom without finding words to express it. . . ."

"I am not a Seventh-day Adventist. I was reared, as my family have been for years, in the Episcopalian church. Years ago I outgrew it, and now I rarely go inside any church building. When the war broke out and I found it impossible to think with a herd and run with a mob, I turned to the Bible direct, and putting all preconceived ideas behind me read it with my own mind. You know what I found. Your magazine, accidentally falling into my hands, showed me that many others had found the same thing, and I subscribed. While I am not always in agreement with the writers in the Watchman, the sense of comradeship in fundamental things grows warmer month by month. I wish you strength and courage in your work through the difficult days before us, and again, I thank you."

"When every other voice is hushed, and in quietness we wait before Him, the silence of the soul makes more distinct the voice of God." Ministry of Healing, p. 58. Through nature often comes the voice, through truth-filled pages also. Will you help place these silent messengers where they may speak as the need comes?

The September Watchman Magazine is filled with spiritual instruction, from the quiet teaching of, "He Maketh Us to Lie Down" and the beautiful nature

the end of the work and the race.

About \$228.00 worth of books was sold and the people took them home to sell and distribute among their neighbors, and so the light keeps going more and more to the end of the earth. God is blessing His people.

E. W. FARNSWORTH,

lesson, "He That Serves Is Chief of All," to the vibrant message on education, "Do We Want Schooling or Education?" and "Teaching Democracy." And there are other messages, of the second advent, of new means for extending missions, and of "The Knowledge That Counts." Your neighbor needs this number. Do your part.

ARTHUR W. SPALDING.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE HARVEST
INGATHERING

In harmony with a resolution of the General Conference Committees we are this year publishing the Harvest Ingathering papers in the following languages: Bohemian, Danish-Norwegian, Finnish, French, German, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Roumanian, Russian, Spanish, Swedish and Yiddish. The size of these papers in all the languages will be uniform with the English. Each paper is sixteen pages and cover. To print this beautiful colored paper in thirteen languages is no small task, but our publishing house at Brookfield has handled it splendidly and it is now ready to fill orders for them all.

There is scarcely an Adventist church and family anywhere in this country but has neighbors and friends of one or more of these languages. These people are used to giving to religious work. They generally respond willingly and liberally to a call for foreign mission funds. They extend to the solicitor a kind welcome, such as he often does not get from others. All Catholics believe in sending the gospel to the heathen. Even priests who object to our work among their people as "Protestant propaganda" will often take a paper and give to foreign missions. This is also true of the sisters or nuns.

There is a joy and blessing as well as large donations, in this work among the strangers. The papers are free and are used in the same way as the Harvest Ingathering Watchman. Aside from articles on our missions these foreign papers contain an excellent writeup on present truth. These papers break down prejudice and open many doors for service among the millions of foreign language people in our midst. We are not able to publish more than one edition of these papers, so we hope our brethren will order early. Send all orders to your tract society.

L. H. CHRISTIAN.

LATIN AMERICAN DEPARTMENT

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LATIN-AMERICAN WORK

"South America is the continent in all the world that has no sacred book."
—Robert E. Speer, Pres. Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

In Corpus Christi the American members have assisted in the hire of a little hall where Brother and Sister Carrancó are holding Sabbath school and Bible studies with the Mexican people. Last Sabbath eight adults were present and more promise to come later.

Rafael Flores, one of the Mexican canvassers, delivered his books in Marianna, Texas, and called the people together for a sermon. Sixty responded and he preached every night for a week. Five began keeping the Sabbath and asked for baptism. One of them, a young man of twenty-three, is selling our literature preparatory to going to school. He was in preparation for the ministry in the Presbyterian church. He has changed his theology but not his determination. You will hear more of him later.

Jacinto Castillo, the young man referred to above, with Rafael Flores, who brought him into the truth, went to Beeville and after canvassing began preaching and report seven keeping the Sabbath. They were threatened with prosecution but gave the apostles' answer: "We should obey God rather than man."

These young men need training for the ministry. The only school in the world where they can learn to be Adventist ministers in the Spanish language is in South America. Shall we send them there or put them into the work without training?

"He who is closely connected with Christ is lifted above the prejudice of color or caste." Vol. 9, p. 209. "The religion of the Bible recognizes no caste or color. It ignores rank, wealth, or worldly honor. God estimates men as men." p. 223.

One of our boys from Keene, canvassing in Floresville, met a Mexican who had purchased a "Great Controversy" several years ago. He and a little company there were trying to keep the Sabbath and asked the colporteur to preach to them. He referred them to our department and Brother Camacho spent last Sunday

Southwestern Union Conf. COLPORTEUR'S WEEKLY REPORT

Name	Address	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Val.	Helps	Total	Del.	
NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE,				Week Ending August 16, 1919.					
Frank A. Moran, Evadale		GC	34	46	222.00	7.45	229.45		
Susie Boden, Alba		DR	53	36	155.00		155.00		
E. Nulk, Caro		PG	42	37	152.00	2.50	154.50		
D. D. Clark, Palestine		BR	38	20	99.00	1.35	100.35	13.00	
E. B. Jones, Crockett		DR	54	22	97.00	2.00	99.00	4.65	
Mrs. Josie Adams, Mexia		BFL	23	38	94.50	2.65	97.15		
C. G. Stuart, Nacogdoches		PG	31	17	82.00	6.25	88.25		
O. L. Estes, Center		BR	38	14	67.25		67.25		
Mike James, Aubrey		OD	50	24	63.00	3.55	66.55		
Dr. C. F. Jenkins, Gainville			28	9	42.00	1.20	43.20		
Mrs. E. B. Jones, Crockett		BFL	15	13	22.50	1.50	24.00	5.50	
Lillie Lankford, Tyler		OD	6	4	10.00	13.85	23.85	21.00	
K. E. Graves, Dougless		PG	23	5	20.00	.75	20.75	.75	
H. D. Leavelle, Jefferson			5	5	15.50	1.00	16.50		
Total 14			440	290	1141.75	44.05	1185.80	44.95	
MAGAZINES									
Grace Jenkins			42				81.30		
SOUTH TEXAS CONFERENCE,				Week Ending August 16, 1919.					
J. M. Lopez, Edinburg		PG	60	52	258.00	36.00	294.00	36.00	
O. O. Mattison, Hempstead		DR	43	41	210.00	1.50	211.50	1.50	
S. Salazar, Laredo		PG	34	44	136.50	70.50	207.00	70.50	
H. C. Brown, Corpus Christi		GC	22	33	198.00	2.75	200.75	2.75	
A. A. Prewitt, Austin		DR	47	36	127.00	15.95	142.95	15.95	
G. A. King, Brenham		BR	25	24	128.00	4.00	132.00	4.00	
Ray Guffey, Hempstead		BR	42	26	109.00	1.75	110.75	1.75	
J. W. Wilson, Hempstead		DR	20	21	96.00	2.25	98.25	2.25	
A. P. Castillo, Eagle Pass	Misc.		29	65	97.50		97.50		
A. T. King, San Marcos		PG	32	22	97.00	.50	97.50	.50	
B. Zamora, Eagle Pass	Misc.		27	58	87.00		87.00		
R. P. Castillo, San Antonio		PG	20	12	66.00	7.50	73.50	37.25	
Nannie M. Drake, Yorktown		BR	30	11	49.00	9.50	58.50	9.50	
Helene Suche, Yorktown		BR	32	9	41.00	9.50	50.50	9.50	
Inez Williams, El Campo		OD	7	15	42.50	.50	43.00	.50	
R. M. Flores, Aransas Pass	Misc.		34	29	40.25	2.50	42.75	21.50	
G. G. Williams, Montgomery		GC	31	8	35.00		35.00		
J. R. Carranco, Kingsville	Misc.		12					31.75	
C. W. Pennock, San Antonio						27.75	27.75	27.75	
Merlin Neff, Sab Abtibu	Misc				.50		.50	5.00	
Bibles					39.55		39.55		
Totals 20			547	506	1857.80	192.45	2050.25	277.95	
GRAND TOTALS			62	1017	796	2999.55	236.50	3236.05	322.90

with them. Next week we will report what he found.

At camp-meeting the colporteurs reported that in some Mexican homes they found every Spanish subscription book we publish and that they want to know the explanation of these things. To give them the gospel we have but one native worker. We can have others if we are willing to take untrained men. We have the men to train but no school where we can go for a training.

If a Mexican by the name of J. M. Rodriguez meets you asking for a donation to publish literature telling you he is an Adventist or is interested in the Sabbath and is preaching it, tell him you know better and put your money where it will not be spent against the cause. He is not nor ever was a representative of the truth. Our workers are as regular in their methods of working in Spanish as in English. Help us protect the cause by giving no offerings through any chan-

nel other than the regular church and conference officers.

Sister White said in 1910 at the Pacific Union Conference: "Those in responsibility must now plan wisely to proclaim the third angel's message to the hundreds and thousands of foreigners in the cities of America. God desires His servants to do their full duty toward the unwarned inhabitants of the cities, and especially toward those who have come to these cities from the various nations of earth. Many of these foreigners are here in the providence of God that they may have the opportunity to hear the truth for this time and receive a preparation that will fit them to return to their own lands as bearers of precious light shining direct from the throne of God."

MISSION WORK AT HOME

The following stanza is often sung in a spirit of resignation and comfort by the faithful light-bearers along the home shores:

"If you cannot cross the ocean
And the heathen lands explore,
You can find the heathen nearer,
You can help them at your door.
If you cannot speak like angels,
If you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus,
You can say He died for all."

There was never a more opportune time than just now for the work of the foreign missionary to be duplicated in every church community in the homeland. In the providence of God the Harvest Ingathering paper for 1919 is now available in the following languages: Bohemian, Danish-Norwegian, Finnish, French, German, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Rumanian, Russian, Swedish, Yiddish and Spanish.

People of these nationalities are scattered everywhere throughout the United States and the obligation rests with the home missionaries to reach them with the light of the third angel's message. The most simple, interesting and successful way of doing this is through the Harvest Ingathering work. Experienced workers state emphatically that there is no more interesting line of work. These people are "home folks" and they appreciate the manifestation of kindly Christian interest in their welfare, and the beautiful, well-illustrated Harvest Ingathering paper in their own language is a happy surprise.

When they understand the object of the work and the effort which is being put forth for people in their home country they are glad to assist financially. It need not be surprising, however, in view of prevailing sentiment, if some of these strangers in our midst do not understand our interest and that barriers of suspicion and mistrust have to be broken down. We would not fully share the experience of the foreign mission worker is this element, testing our tact, patience and love, were lacking in this work. It is a task of more or less magnitude, but the Spirit of God can speak thru the worker to the heart of any nationality, and friendship once established will be of the deepest and truest type.

Try it for yourself. Place yourself where you will get the viewpoint of these people by finding out how they live and what they need. The Harvest Ingathering work is simply the knock at the door. When the door has been opened the introduction of foreign books, tracts and papers should follow in due time.

A letter from Elder L. H. Christian, superintendent of the bureau of Home Missions, is just at hand in which he states, "We hope to push this foreign language Harvest Ingathering work with all our might this year. The papers are now ready."

The Spanish Harvest Ingathering paper, "El Centinela," enters the field for the first time this year. It will be used not only in the United States but will be shipped in large quantities to Spanish-speaking countries. According to latest reports an order has been received from South America for 16,000, from Cuba for 2,500, and Mexico, 1,000.

From other countries the word is received that plans are being laid for pushing the Harvest Ingathering work with the Spanish paper and that orders will be forwarded as soon as council with the workers is held.

The present printing order for the Spanish Ingathering papers stands at 25,000, subject to increase in any mail. This Spanish paper is published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association, Mountain View, Cal., and should be ordered from them, but the papers in the other twelve languages mentioned above are published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association, Brookfield, Ill., and should be ordered from there.

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GOOD REPORT FROM THE ADVENTIST SABBATH SCHOOL

Our membership for the Clyde Sabbath school was only a little better than twenty-three for the quarter ending June 28, 1919, and the average attendance was twenty. Each one gave his mite every Sabbath until the thirteenth Sabbath when we gave a hearty offering of \$17.83 to send the glad tidings of great joy to those in the Philippine Islands.

Our offerings for the whole quarter were \$36.33 and we hope and pray that God will so bless the work in those islands that at least one soul will be brought to the knowledge of the truth for each dollar given for that purpose.

We, as a little Sabbath school, are getting anxious for the Lord to come and we know He will not come until every nation, tongue and people have been warned and have had opportunity to prepare for that great day of judgment, so we take new courage and give freely to the support of our missionaries in foreign lands till Jesus comes to gather us to that eternal home.

THE CLYDE SABBATH SCHOOL.

[The above report was published in a local paper and shows the spirit of missionary endeavor in that school. This is a good sermonette and an excellent entering wedge for a Harvest Ingathering effort there. Such efforts persevered in will return certain results.—Editor.]

WHY THEY GAVE TO MISSIONS

The Missionary Volunteer secretary in one of our conferences, who is also Sabbath school secretary, writes:

"Such large offerings came in from one Sabbath school that I wrote the superintendent asking her to tell what she did to cause such liberality. She placed the letter before the school one Sabbath and asked for volunteers to answer the question I had asked. One sister said, 'Tell them to read "Fruit from the Jungle" and "On the Trail of Livingstone" and they will understand why we give. The reading of these two books has greatly in-

creased my own Sabbath school offerings.'"

We know that the reading of good missionary books does increase one's interest in missions. Missionary information is the fuel that feeds the missionary fires. As Pierson says, "Facts are the fingers of God. To know the facts of modern missions is a necessary condition of intelligent interest."

Not only do our people give more liberally to missions when they read good missionary books, but many are thus led to dedicate their lives to the proclamation of the gospel in foreign lands. We have missionaries on the field today who first became interested in missions through the Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses.

Have you seen the folder describing the Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses for 1919-20—senior, junior and primary? You can get one from your Missionary Volunteer secretary. And you can get the books from your tract society. The four books in the senior course, including the two mentioned above, cost \$3.50. The junior course (four books) is \$2.30 and the primary (two books) is \$1.45.

Nobody regrets having spent money for good books.

M. E. KERN.

NOTICE

All having a copy of the Home Circle Library Prospectus please note the following books which are discontinued from the list:

Steps to Christ	Cloth
Return of Jesus	"
Gospel Story	"
Other Side of Death	"

The following books have changed prices as given below:

Making Home Happy	Cloth	\$.85
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H. R. GAY.

FOR SALE.—6-room house. Three screened porches, bath room, good well of water, cement walk, 2 1-3 acres of excellent land. Located two blocks south of campus. Correspond with W. F. Field, Fresno, California, Box 1304. 344.

FROM BROTHER AND SISTER
STABEN

Just a year ago today we left Morrison, Okla., Mrs. Staben's home, to answer the call of the Lord to take up the work in this field. Thinking that it might be interesting and encouraging to some to know how the Lord has blessed us and helped us in our work, I take the privilege of writing this letter.

We spent twenty-seven days on the way, a week of which was used in Guatemala, visiting Elder Thurber and that mission, and I can say we truly enjoyed our visit. We were a little surprised to find that in August we had to sleep under several blankets. Guatemala City being of such a high altitude and in the middle of the rainy season made the weather real cold. Here we learned our first lessons in real patience, without which you cannot do much in these "Latin-American fields." It took us over a week to get our baggage through the custom house and then we had to go without it because the day we left happened to be one of their feast days. They are all feast days, they have no fast days, and on these feast days nearly everybody gets drunk, from the highest ecclesiastical authority to the lowest government official so that about two months later our trunks arrived in Salvador.

We arrived in Salvador on the 20th of August, and at about five o'clock we were in Santa Ana where we met Brother and Sister Cooke, Brother and Sister Murray and some of the native believers, who gave us a hearty welcome to our new home. It was with grateful hearts that we bowed our heads and thanked God for a safe and pleasant journey. The next few days we could do nothing more than answer and ask questions, so it took me about a week to get an inventory of the field. After much inquiry and listening to many strange tales I found that we had two organized churches with thirty-eight members, paying about \$20.00 tithes per month and Sabbath school offerings amounting to about \$5.00. I also found many little petty fusses to settle and many strange doctrines to weed out, in order to get the members in working order.

About this time Brother Bodle, who is our secretary and treasurer, arrived and it was such a relief to me to have some one that could look after the financial side of the mission. Another

blessing was added to this that helped matters a great deal: the arrival of Elder Parmele, the president of the union. He brought means and authority to purchase mission property, which was done after deciding that it was best to establish headquarters in San Salvador. Now we have a lot here, but the last earthquake left the house in very bad condition. We have also a lot in Santa Ana where we have built a small chapel.

I am glad to report the following progress that has been made in this field. Our membership has increased to fifty-eight and we have organized another church in Cojutepeque, our tithes have increased to \$61.99 monthly and our Sabbath school offerings to \$13.00. Our book sales have increased about double, and the prospects are that we hope to double this.

Brethren, the Lord is good, and I want to thank the loved ones that remember us in their prayers and hope that you will find grace to keep the fires burning that we might do all we can to finish the work and that we all may go home and rejoice in the things that the Lord has prepared for those who love Him.

MR. AND MRS. C. F. STABEN.



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THIRTEEN ACCEPT THE TRUTH
AS THE RESULT OF ONE
HARVEST INGATHER-
ING PAPER

Referring to the Harvest Ingathering work in the Australasian Union, Elder Cecil K. Meyers, the Union Home Missionary secretary, writes:

"Apart from the value this work is in getting money for missions, it is a great help to fire the missionary spirit in our people. We are having definite results in winning souls from the circulation of these magazines also. The giving of one paper in Victoria last year brought thirteen people into the truth."

This is the story: "One of our sisters called upon a lady in her territory in the interests of the Harvest Ingathering work. At first, the visit was resented, but the resentment was broken down by the talk on missions which ensued, and finally the door of the home was thrown open for Bible studies. Our sister took one of our Bible workers with her and as a result of the Bible study the lady in this home, and her mother also, accepted the truth. Two of the lady's sisters living in another state were communicated with, and now these two women, with their husbands, living in New South Wales, are in the truth. In addition to these six adults, seven children belonging to the families represented are in the truth. This all started from the giving of this one paper. We have many other cases of individuals coming into the truth as a direct result of the work being done by our 'Appeal for Missions' workers."

The opportunity to engage in this work, so far-reaching in results, has again returned. Upon every man, woman and child in our ranks rests the responsibility of doing his part. Not only in America, but in the mission fields as well, the Harvest Ingathering work is being carried on with marvelous results. The present time of cessation from war, with prosperity on every hand, is most opportune for the children of God to gather funds for investment in heavenly treasure. Let each be faithful in doing his part, and results will be manifold.

C. V. LEACH, Sec.

Gen. Conf. Home Miss. Dept.

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A COLPORTEUR LETTER

Dear Fellow-workers:

As I read the many good letters from different workers I am made to rejoice. The Lord surely is blessing His faithful laborers, and it shows that He is going to make a short work in the earth.

As I go from house to house and find some of our good books it is a sign that some colporteur has been there, and I have found as many as four books in one home.

The Mexicans as well as the others are awakening to the importance of the times in which we are living and I believe it is because of our good books that they are thus aware of our state.

The Lord has blessed me with \$2,500 worth of orders to date of which the greater share are for Spanish books. I am praying that I will make a good delivey—not only I but also every colporteur in the harvest field.

Many of the colporteurs have had trying experiences, but let us press onward until the end. Let us pray for each other each day.

We realize we are in perilous times but through prayer and faith we can have success in the work. I find it easier to take orders this year than in former times and that is a sign the work is growing rapidly. I have met many people this year that are anxious for our good books.

I am of good courage and esteem it a great privilege to have a part in the finishing work and aim to remain in the work until it is finished.

A. A. PREWITT.

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Because of ill health, the editor is taking a vacation for a few weeks. In his absence, Brother W. F. Schultz, of Dallas, who was formerly connected with the office, has kindly consented to take care of the typographical work on the RECORD.

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Dallas (Colored)	Sept. 2-1
OKLAHOMA	
Guthrie (Colored)	Aug. 26 to Sept. 1

