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REFRESHING

We sometimes hear people say, "I would like to enter the colporteur work because of the good that might be done, but I am afraid I will not be able to support my family." I am therefore passing on to others the following refreshing news which was in a letter I just received from Brother T. J. Hooper, our field missionary secretary of the Arkansas Conference who, with other laborers in that conference, was asked to do self-supporting work for one month during 1921:

"Yes, I am thankful indeed for the success the Lord gave me while I was canvassing. In four weeks I sold and delivered about \$500 worth of books. It seems that there is nothing impossible these days for those that put their trust in Him who never fails us. I had taken the responsibility of putting my wife's sister in school this year, and I did not know how it could be done, but moved out in faith and the way opened up. I made in dollars and cents not only her scholarship but also what my wages would have been for that time, so you see it does not affect me very much to ask me to do self-supporting work for a month." M. LUKENS.

CHEAP LITERATURE TO USE IN COMBATING THE SUNDAY LAW ISSUE

Present Truth numbers 27 and 28, entitled "Religious Liberty in Danger"

and "Sunday Blue Laws" are excellent literature to spread broadcast now. They cost two cents per copy or twenty-five for 35 cents, 50 for 65 cents, 100 for \$1.25 or \$10.00 per 1000. Every church member and every isolated member may do an excellent work in scattering these numbers of Present Truth. Order from the Tract Society.

AN EXPERIENCE

The Reading Racks and the Signs

A "Signs of the Times" which must have been taken from a tract rack in a railway station, being thrown by someone not interested from the window of a train, was seen by a girl returning from school. She picked up the paper and carried it home, which was in the country. This paper was read by the girl's parents, who, becoming convinced that there was truth in the paper, sent in a yearly subscription, and as a result of reading these papers began keeping the Sabbath, not knowing at the time of anyone else who observed that day.

Later in the providence of God, one of our colporteurs visited that home. After showing his book, the woman asked him why he did not keep the Sabbath. He told her he thought he did. "No," she said; "you keep Sunday, but the Bible says the seventh day is the Sabbath, and Saturday is the seventh day." When she learned the colporteur observed the seventh day, she was so happy she rang the large dinner bell to quickly summon her husband, who was working in the field in order that he, too, might meet the colporteur. At the next camp meeting held in that state both husband and wife were baptized.

What might be accomplished by this valuable paper, "The Signs of the

Times," if we would all work faithfully in its distribution! M. LUKENS.

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE SIGNS AND THE GALVESTON FLOOD?

Immediately after the flood in Galveston in 1900 a lady walking over some debris picked up a copy of the SIGNS and carried it away with her. The Spirit of God impressed her with the truth of an article in the paper and she began studying the message with others, and as a result seven persons including herself, entered our ranks.

Do You Know

That ministers and leaders of thought are being influenced by the SIGNS?

A minister in Texas, not of our faith, writing to the publishers of the SIGNS says:

"I have become a lover and a constant reader of your good periodical, 'The Signs of the Times.' It is a great help to me in my church work. I must admit that 'The Signs of the Times' is equal to any theological course. A little girl here in my town gave me the first copy I ever saw."

Another minister writes: "I have received gratis several copies of your weekly 'Signs of the Times.' I am profoundly thankful for it since I value it highly. I admire your positive stand against Modernism, Evolution, Christian Science, Spiritualism, etc., and also your unique knowledge of our portentous times."

Do You Know

That we have a special duty toward this class as well as others?

"Those who stand high in the world for their education, wealth, or calling, are seldom addressed personally in

regard to the interests of the soul. Many Christian workers hesitate to approach these classes. But this should not be. If a man were drowning, we would not stand by and see him perish because he was lawyer, a merchant, or a judge. Neither should we hesitate to warn men of the peril of the soul. Many in high social positions are heart-sore, and sick of vanity. Many would receive help if the Lord's workers would approach them personally, with a kind manner, a heart made tender by the love of Christ. Those who belong to the higher ranks of society are to be sought out with tender affection and brotherly regard. Men in business life, in high positions of trust, men with large inventive faculties and scientific insight, men of genius, teachers of the gospel whose minds have not been called to the special truths for this time,—these should be the first to hear the call."

Do You Know

That about fifty of our very best writers and speakers are contributing of their very best thought to make the SIGNS what it ought to be to reach the minds of all classes, rich and poor, high and low, and that the Lord holds us as members of His church responsible for giving this publication a much wider missionary field than it now has in the Southwestern Union Conference?

It now has a circulation of 2,000 in our Union Conference. Why should there not be at least one subscription for the SIGNS for every member in the Union? Why should not every church aim to reach this goal?

E. R. POTTER.

BOOK DEPARTMENT

Secretary - - H. R. Gay

LITTLE BIBLE BOYS

All boys and girls like stories, and Bible stories are the best to fill this need.

This new book, containing ninety-one pages, well illustrated, and edited by Professor A. W. Spaulding, will prove a blessing to every home, having children. These stories are written in practically the same form that Professor Spaulding has told them to the children at our campmeetings. The many requests for these Bible stories in book form have led to this publication. •

Some of the chapter headings are as follows: The Boy Whose Dream Came True, A Little Boy Who Listened, The Bad Boys of Bethel, A Boy in the Wilderness, A Lad of Galilee.

If your home has children, by all means, secure a copy. Every Seventh-day Adventist boy and girl should have this book. The price is fifty cents postpaid. Order of your Tract Society.

H. R. GAY.

Arkansas Conf.

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Sec.-Treas. - L. J. Black

A NEW PLAN IN AN OLD WORK

The Signs of the Times. What Seventh-day Adventist is there who has not had his soul fired with the messages that come in this periodical which has become so closely interwoven with the life of Seventh-day Adventists? How many there are among us who can point back to the first dawn of the message that broke into their minds and hearts as coming from the SIGNS. "More SIGNS More Souls" is a fitting slogan. Let us make this campaign for SIGNS the best yet.

With the new plan of allowing agents to go out and take subscriptions at two dollars a year why can not some brother or sister in every church make a canvass of the town, city, or community in which they live and make their distribution of the SIGNS self-supporting? A little time so spent each week, or each day, by those who are otherwise employed can bring the truth to many homes. The SIGNS has a message that people appreciate—let us give it to them. Remember brethren and sisters the Lord has told us that the work of the angel of Revelation 18 will be largely done through the printed page. Let us join in giving the loud cry.

J. I. TAYLOR.

DURING 1922 SPEND

More time in prayer.
More time in Bible study.
More time in soul winning work.
More time in reading.
More time in Christian help work.

More time with nature.

More time in neighborly for God.

North Texas Conf.

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Sec.-Treas. - R. L. Atcheson

NEWS NOTES

Elder Wright has been sick the past few days, but we are glad to report that he is able to be out again. He plans to be with the Dalworth church over Sabbath.

The church treasurers' reports are coming in nicely, and we hope to receive every report before the last of the week.

Brother Dunn left the office Thursday for Valley View in the interest of the church work. He plans to spend the Sabbath with the Dallas church in behalf of the young people.

Brother Van Campen has returned from Dallas where he found Brother McCanliss of good courage. He is having good success in the canvassing work. He has found quite a number of people who are anxious to get the books after they find they are Adventist books. He expects to make his delivery this week.

The little Spanish company at Ft. Worth report that they are of good courage and determined to do more for the Master during the coming year.

We have already received the January missionary report from twelve churches. We wish to thank these churches for their promptness. Has your church reported yet? If not, have a personal talk with your secretary, and ask her to send the report today.

Brother Baker writes from Ft. Worth that he has been sick but able to do something for the Master, and thankful that he has a part in the greatest message that has ever gone to a perishing world.

Attention secretaries! a complete, correct, prompt report is an inspiration! An incomplete report is an aggravation. An incorrect report is a nuisance. A failure to report is a calamity.

What are you doing to meet the Sunday Law question in your community? We wish to call your attention to Present Truth numbers 28 and 29 which were used so effectively last year. Though these issues were printed last year, the principles now involved are strongly presented in them. The fact that new bills are now before Congress

does not change the principles, nor render the situation different from the recent past, excepting intensifying it and bringing the climax closer to hand. Price 85¢ per hundred, \$7.50 per thousand.

OVER THE TOP

In checking over our list of subscriptions for the "Review and Herald" we find that 150 subscriptions came in during the campaign which closed January the 31st. Our goal set by the General Conference is 322. Our list December 31 was 222. So if you add to our December list the 150 subscriptions, it will give a total of 372. Of course some of these are renewals, but we feel confident that we have reached our goal.

Rejoice with us and send us your subscription by return mail.

N. W. DUNN,
Missionary Secretary.

Oklahoma Conf.

Oklahoma City, Okla.
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President - Elder M. B. Van Kirk
Sec.-Treas. - C. L. Stilson

Please make all remittances, whether by check, money order, draft, or registered letter to the Oklahoma Conference, and NOT to any individual

NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Gertie C. Johnson, Aline, Oklahoma, Route A, Box 24, requests that anyone having tracts treating on any phase of our message kindly mail them to her to use in missionary work. They need not be new but should be whole and clean.

—Elder C. D. Hein has closed his meetings near Hooker. The weather interfered to some extent. He reports some interest which will be followed up at a later date. Elder Hein will remain with the Okeene church for a time.

—Brother Long reports no meetings at Shawnee for two weeks on account of a smallpox epidemic but he hopes to be able to have service again Sabbath, February 4.

—The colporteurs have returned to their fields of labor. Their goal for 1922 is \$37,500. Seventeen signed contracts and are taking up active work. Their courage is good and we confidently predict that if they will go at their work with the same diligence

they would at running a farm they will far overreach their goal.

—Elder Lach states that the work in Muskogee is moving on fairly well. The Sunday night meeting, January 29, was well attended. There were twenty-one present representing homes where there are no Adventists as yet. Some families are interested. Sister Thomas is busy and is finding some new readers.

—Mrs. Killion has been absent from the office for a few days on account of the sickness of her little son, Paul. We understand that the child is improving.

—Our office workers seem to enjoy the daily morning worship. All take part in prayer when opportunity is given. They study the Morning Watch texts and review them from day to day. Each one is reading his Bible through and is up to schedule, a few are over. Our conference president reports that he is 21 days ahead of schedule and this when he is reading it in two languages side by side which would make about nine weeks ahead if he was reading one language.

—Brother J. P. Hale, elder of the Durham church, writes that on Sabbath January 7, four presented themselves for baptism and church membership. This brings courage to the brethren of that church. He asks for a minister to come and officiate at baptism.

—Sister W. F. Tucker of Lawton asks the conference president to explain whether the earth is entirely burned up when it is cleansed by fire or only the works that are therein. Rev. 20:7-10 reveals the fact that the city of God is on the earth and that the wicked who have been marshalled by their leaders come up about the city to take it, the saints are there when fire comes from God and consumes the wicked. So evidently Peter means to tell us, 2 Peter 3:10, that the earth and the elements shall melt with fervent heat and the works only be burned up. Evidently God must work a miracle the same as when bringing the plagues upon Egypt to protect His people.

—Brother Martin sends word that the Muskogee colored church is "pegging away". Elder Miller plans to be with them soon.

—A letter from Miss Ola B. Powell, an Oklahoma student at Southwestern Junior College, tells us that she has definite plans to teach next year. This is good. We have no more important line of work than that

of instructing our boys and girls.

—Our conference president received a letter from Brother J. F. Stringer, of Grand Prairie, Texas, stating that his daughter who lives near Geary was asking for baptism and membership in the Oklahoma Conference church. We are always pleased to receive letters like this one.

—Elder W. S. North of Tulsa colored church says that in spite of lack of work the members of that little faithful band bring in their tithes and offerings. Elder North has been suffering from la grippe but is better at this writing.

—Sister A. J. Green of Muskogee sends in an order for several pamphlets and tracts to use in her work there. Sister Green is a new member and came in through reading our books.

—Are you awake to the movement that is being launched at Washington for a drastic Sunday Law? Read the bill that was recently introduced into Congress. The "Liberty" magazine should be freely used everywhere now. What are you or your church doing?

—Elder Van Kirk spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Tulsa church. While there he held four meetings with this church and one at Sand Springs. At the latter place Brother Moore was ordained as elder and Brother Claybrook as deacon. The Sand Springs church, while not large, has a neat house of worship paid for. They are an active company.

COLPORTEURS' INSTITUTE

Yes, our colporteurs' institute is over and it was truly a spiritual feast to all of us. The attendance was good usually being over thirty. Twenty-six set their goals and expressed themselves as being willing to do the Lord's will to their utmost ability.

We are thankful for the workers the Lord has called into immediate service and trust others will be impressed with the desire to join with us.

Now, if you want to be numbered with our little band of faithful workers this year we will give you a hearty welcome, and do all we can to help you make a success of the work even though you did not have the privilege of coming to the institute.

I would be glad to hear from all who think of entering this line of work.

C. N. YOUNG,
Box 1077 Oklahoma City, Okla.

LET US MAKE A SPECIAL EFFORT

The Missionary Volunteer leaders of the General Conference M. V. department are swinging in on the circulation of the SIGNS. Every Missionary Volunteer should make a special effort to give this good church paper a wide circulation.

We quote from "Minutes of Fall Council General Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 1921:" We recommend that the month of February, 1922, be devoted to increasing the circulation of our missionary paper, the Signs of the Times, and further; we recommend that this effort begin with all our churches as far as consistent, on Sabbath, February 4."

Let us all do our part and report all subscriptions.

G. F. EICHMAN.

SABBATH SCHOOL

Sister C. D. Hein, the leader of the children's division at Okeene, writes, "We received the beautiful birthday calendar and I do wish you could have seen the sparkle in the children's eyes when they saw it. We had two birthdays the first Sabbath,—the first birthday offerings ever taken in this Sabbath-school."

We have over twenty-six hundred Sabbath-school pupils in Oklahoma. Think what it will mean to missions when every one begins to give a penny for every year he has lived.

Will not every member of every Sabbath-school in Oklahoma esteem it a privilege to give a birthday offering during 1922?

A Sabbath school convention was held at Perry, Sabbath, January 28. The meeting was well attended and we appreciated the hearty co-operation of those present. The Sabbath school goals formed a prominent part of the discussion; and the members of the school there feel determined to reach them.

The summary for the quarter ended December 31 has been completed. The offering for missions amounted to over \$6,000 for the quarter. The following schools reached the Double Dollar Day Goal: Boley, Duncan, El Reno, Isabella, Okmulgee, Ringling, Sand Springs, Sapulpa, Tulsa (Col.), Weatherford. The following schools deserve honorable mention having reached the former goal—"A Dollar for Every Church Member": Ard-

more, Canton, Cashion, Coalton, Elk City, Enid, Guthrie (Colored), Lawton, Okeene, Oklahoma City (Colored), Perkins, Tulsa, Woodward. East Cooper made this goal within less than a dollar.

Three hundred and twenty-six perfect records were issued, one hundred thirty-two bearing both seals.

CARRIE LUKENS.

GUTHRIE

It was my privilege to accompany Elder Potter to Guthrie, Sabbath, January 28th. We spent the forenoon with the church on the west side and the afternoon with the church on the east side. We were glad to see the hearty response as Elder Potter presented the different lines of activities in which we may do our part in carrying the message to others. Plans were laid to place the Watchman in a number of prominent places for public reading during the year and clubs were raised for the Signs of the Times.

Several plan to take up the study of the book, Home Nursing under the leadership of Sister Hindbaugh. We think it is very fortunate where a church can have good help in this important line of work.

It was very encouraging to hear the report of several who took part in the Harvest Ingathering work under unfavorable conditions. They succeeded in raising much more than many expected. When we given ourselves to the accomplishment of the Lor'd work, He will lead us through to victory.

It is encouraging to see new faces at both churches and we trust others will be added in the near future.

C. J. DART.

OKLAHOMA CITY

On January 18, Elder White, pastor of the Oklahoma City church, baptized eight persons and on Sabbath, January 28th, seven were received into the church. During the month of January, twenty-eight new subscriptions and seven renewals for the "Review and Herald" were obtained. The church has started a fund to send the paper to those who are not able to pay for it. Eight families have been thus supplied during January.

Preparations are being made for a general rallying of the forces of the church for home missionary work next Sabbath.

The Missionary Volunteers are

thoroughly organized and are doing splendid work. The interest in the Sabbath afternoon services of that department is deepening as is evident from the attendance which is usually about 125.

The Bible studies being held by Brother Loy in the church on Friday evenings are well attended and good is being done there.

Brother Hampton is giving a special course of studies in the "Testimonies" on "Healthful Living" which are highly instructive and beneficial.

The Ladies' Missionary Help Bands is busy providing clothing and provisions for the needy and many are reaping the benefits of their labors.

The Sabbath school has started the new year with a new inspiration to reach all goals. Definite plans have been laid to secure \$2.00 per member for the next Thirteenth Sabbath offering.

The church school is doing a character of work of which we are justly proud and the present members of the faculty have been invited to serve for another year.

We are thankful for the blessings of God that are attending all the departments of the work of the church and for His manifest presence among us.

G. W. WHITE.

COLPORTEURS' INSTITUTE
AT OKLAHOMA CITY

It was the testimony of every former colporteur that this was the best meeting, ever held in Oklahoma. The institute was very spiritual, and every instructor impressed upon the workers the necessity of being right with God and then perfectly qualifying themselves for service.

Elder Van Kirk gave some excellent studies on "Patriarchs and Prophets." The help of Elder Lukens was appreciated. Instruction was given by Elder Harrison and Brother Young.

Goals Set by the Oklahoma Colporteurs

Name	Hours	Delivered
Brother Davis	1,800	\$2,000.00
Brother Williams	1,800	3,000.00
Brother Killion	2,000	3,000.00
Brother Whitney	1,000	2,000.00
Brother Kulp	1,000	1,500.00
Brother Stahl	700	750.00
Brother Syphers	1,600	2,500.00
Brother Craig	1,600	1,500.00
Brother Wilmer	1,800	1,800.00
Brother Almon	1,600	1,500.00
Brother Elder	2,000	2,000.00

Brother Webb	1,000	1,000.00	offense by a fine of not less than \$25
Brother Sikes	2,000	3,000.00	nor more than \$500, or by both fine
Brother Buxton	1,000	1,000.00	and imprisonment in the jail of the
Brother Lockwood	1,600	1,500.00	District of Columbia for a period of
Brother Crawford	1,400	600.00	not less than one month nor more
Brother Young	1,000	1,500.00	than six months, in the discretion of
Brother Low	1,000	1,000.00	the court.
Sister Schilt	800	800.00	Section 5. That all prosecutions for
Sister Field	900	900.00	the violation of this Act shall be in
Sister Clouse	900	900.00	Columbia.
Sister Addington	1,000	500.00	
Sister Dart	500	500.00	
Sister Low	800	1,600.00	
Sister Olson	700	700.00	
Sister Bell	500	500.00	

Total \$33,200 \$35,550.00
H. R. GAY.

HOUSE ROLL 9753 A BILL

To secure Sunday as a day of rest in the District of Columbia

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

That from and after the passage of this Act it shall be unlawful in the District of Columbia for any person to labor or to employ any person to labor or to pursue any trade or secular business on the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, works of necessity and charity always excepted.

Section 2. That from and after the passage of this Act it shall be unlawful in the District of Columbia to keep open or use for secular purpose any dancing saloon, theater, bowling alley, place of public assembly or amusement for secular purposes, or to engage in unlawful sports on the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday.

Section 3. That from and after the passage of this Act it shall be unlawful in the District of Columbia for any person, firm, corporation, or any of their agents, directors, or officers to require or permit any employees to engage in works of necessity or charity, excepting in household service, to work on the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, unless within the next succeeding days during a period of twenty-four consecutive hours he or it shall neither require nor permit such employees to work in his or its employ.

Section 4. That any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Act, shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$50.00 for the first offense and for each subsequent

A NEW SUNDAY LAW MOVEMENT

Recently Representative Fitzgerald introduced a bill into Congress providing for a strict observance of Sunday in the District of Columbia. Should this bill become a law it would quickly open the way for a nation-wide effort for drastic measures in every state.

H. L. Bolby, National Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, is among the sponsors of this movement. Miss Church, lobbyist for the National Reform Association, Mr. Deets Pickett of the Methodist Board of Temperance and Moral Reform, and Doctors Millington and Steward, representing the Pastors' Federation and Sabbath Association of the District of Columbia are among those who signed the Petition to Representative Fitzgerald when urging him to introduce this measure. We are printing the text of the bill in this issue of the RECORD.

Now is the time for our people to circulate Liberty magazine. Price 35 cents a year published quarterly. An Extra of Liberty is being issued to deal with this very measure to be distributed freely. The price of the extra is \$2.00 per hundred, 16.00 per thousand. This number contains very valuable information that should be in the hands of everyone.

There is also a petition to be cut out and circulated for signers. When these names are secured the one who secured them should secure the name of the Congressman from his district and write him a short letter and send him the petition. Letters received from the constituency receive careful attention at the hands of the Congressmen and Senators.

The names of senators and representatives are given below by districts. You should preserve this list. Address each at Washington in care of House of Representatives or Senate as case may be.

R. L. Owen, Senator.

J. W. Harreld, Representative.

Congressmen

District 1. T. A. Chandler.
District 2. Miss Alice Robertson.
District 3. C. D. Carter.
District 4. J. C. Pringley.
District 5. F. B. Swank.
District 6. L. M. Gensman.
District 7. Jim McClintic.
District 8. Chas. Swindall (shorter).
District 8. Manuel Herrick.

Will not you, my brethren, do all you can to circulate the special number of Liberty and write to your Congressman with a petition of protest?

Orders for Liberty Extra should be sent to the Tract Society. It will be out in a little while.

M. B. VAN KIRK,
Religious Liberty Secretary, Okla.

OUR COLORED WORK

IN OKLAHOMA

It is a blessed thought to the earnest, consecrated, sacrificing people of God, that Jesus is soon to come and redeem His waiting church. Many hearts are all but faint, as the closing days of the "last generation, slowly pass away." But we should remember that the prophecy has not yet failed, and that Jesus has said, "heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away." Matt. 24:35. So let us take courage and finish God's work, and truly Matthew twenty-four fourteen will be fulfilled—the end will come.

Our conference has a large number of people in her borders who have not heard God's last message calling them back to the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. This call is the last to this dying world and must be sounded. Our part is to warn Oklahoma, and to help finish the work in all the world. Brethren, this work must be sounded in both the streets and lanes, and in the highways and hedges. And at the same time be finished in you and I.

In order for God's work to progress in this earth, men must give themselves, their children, and their money. All must be laid upon the altar of God. If we withhold either, ourselves our children, or our means, it means delay all along the line, and we ourselves will be lost, for to withhold from the cause of God at such a time as this, is covetousness. God's word declares that no thieves, nor covetous, nor

drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 1 Cor. 6:10. If all will do what we can, everywhere, will we not soon see our blessed Saviour come to redeem His faithful people?

The colored believers of this conference are of good courage and struggling hard for the kingdom. We had no tent meeting this past summer, therefore no church or company was raised up among us. Our church at Guthrie is increasing spiritually under the service of Brother C. S. White. He writes of their good services, and a young man having lately embraced the truth. Brother Martin is having a good interest at Muskogee, and a number have lately took their stand for the message at that place. Tulsa is one of our discouraging fields. We lost our place of worship in this city, and owing to this, and the unsettled condition of the people we do not see any great thing having been done there. Yet we see our faithful minister, Elder W. S. North pulling with all his might to spread God's message there, and trying to provide a place out of the coals for our faithful and loyal church members to worship in.

Our work at Oklahoma City has a bright future. Our church school is proving a great blessing. The Bible is one of the most interest studies in our school room. The student body is composed very largely of children who are not of the faith. And they are not ashamed to bring their Bible, large or small, to and from school.

Three nights of every week, studies are being conducted by the writer for the adult people. We too, make the Bible our chief study. At first two nights were given them, but because of a desire to give more time to the Bible, we all gather on Tuesday night for its study alone. We have nearly as many students who are not of the faith to attend these study periods, as of our own people. No large number of believers have been added to our church here, but I am sure that our school work, together with other Bible work will result in the building up of our membership. I might add, however, that four have been baptized since I last reported anything to the RECORD.

We feel very grateful to our white brethren for their financial help given us in establishing our church school.

This is the first, and they are greatly needed everywhere.

H. J. MILLER.

SAPULPA

The work at Sapulpa continues to grow. We have seen marked evidences of divine leading, for which we are thankful. However, we have been made to realize many times that Satan is putting forth great efforts to counteract the work of the Lord.

We have a strong company of men and women whose hearts are bound up in the message, and they are making sacrifices for it. These have been drilled in Bible doctrine, and now a home missionary society will be formed under the leadership of Sister Burger.

All the different branches of the work are represented by the different members. Some are giving their attention to canvassing others to Bible studies, while still others do nursing and healthful cooking. Sister Tabor, one of the new members, is conducting a cooking class in her home which is attracting a great deal of attention of many ladies in the city.

And last but not least, we have our new church building which requires a great deal of our time. Eight denominations in the city are building at this time; and our church is the only one that has made any material progress during the financial stress. We have a beautiful two-story brick building that is, as one merchant says, a credit to the city and denomination. This is one little monument that has been erected by faith and prayer.

The ladies plan to furnish the church by means of health food sales. These are conducted down town in the different stores. One editor, a Catholic, has offered us his office for our sales for thirty days, and has promised to advertise for us free of charge.

If the Lord continues to prosper us, we shall soon be in our new church where we can do more efficient work for the Master.

MRS. W. E. BARR.

WANTED: A man and women to do bath room work, Adventist. Address Mineral Wells Bath House, Guthrie, Oklahoma. 7

WANTED: Clean copies of our papers for use in reading rack. Can also make good use of foreign literature. Address Mrs. M. E. Dollarhide, North McAlester, Oklahoma. 6

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President-Eld. R. P. Montgomery
Sec.-Treas. Etta Hewgley

AUSTIN

Sabbath January 21, I spent with the company at Austin. Although small in number they are faithful in their work. This small company of about ten members, gave to missions during the past year \$447.71. They went over the top in their 60c per week goal \$132.71.

I was especially interested in the work the Junior members were doing in the Sabbath school. Evalyn Jensen, Mary House and Mary Vern Emerson are very faithful in their work for the Thirteenth Sabbath. The superintendent told me that these little girls have never failed to have their two dollars each for the Double Dollar Day, they told me that they had to do without candy and many things that they would like to have in order to raise their dollars, but they never failed, and they look forward with eagerness to the Thirteenth Sabbath.

Mary House, ten years of age, raised five dollars in the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

Here I think is a good example for many of our Juniors, and for some of the older members too. I wonder if there are not more of us who could deny ourselves some of the things that are not necessary, and join with these faithful girls in bringing our dollars for the missionaries next Thirteenth Sabbath day.

C. C. WILCOX.

WHAT I HAVE OBSERVED IN THE USE OF THE "SIGNS"

In the first place I wish to say that the SIGNS was the agency more than any other except the Bible that kept me in the truth. I took the SIGNS when I accepted the truth and I read every number through and through and prize it very highly. It was the only paper I took for a long time.

I have observed that many others have had the same experience. When one comes into the truth the best reading matter he can have is the SIGNS. It will be his best reading instructor aside from, or I should say, in co-operation with the Holy Spirit. The

articles in this periodical are brief and right to the point and seem to be just what a person who is hungry for the truth wants. It will satisfy the longing desire for God's message for this time.

The SIGNS is a great missionary. It is a pioneer. I have met many people who came into the truth through reading the SIGNS. I have found it an excellent paper to arouse an interest in the truth.

So I would advise without any hesitation whatever to use the SIGNS freely in home missionary work. Be sure to see that all who accept the truth get this most valuable instructor.

R. P. MONTGOMERY.

ENCOURAGEMENT

With my morning mail I find the following letter:--

Gentlemen:

Please find 25c for which send the "Present Truth" as I am interested in it's Bible teachings and valuable lessons. I get more out of it than ordinary sermons and expect to read it as long as it can be had.

I am 76 years of age and belonged to the M. E. Church S. 48 years and want and need all the spiritual food available. Will write the editor later.

A. W. Reeves,
Box 35. West Point, Texas.
P. S. Please send at once.

Referring to our records here we find that this paper was given out by Brother Dunks, of Elgin, and I am sure that Brother Dunks will be encouraged to know that his faithfulness in distributing "Present Truth" has interested at least one soul in the truth, and may this also be an encouragement to the rest of us to more faithfulness in distributing this little truth filled paper wherever we have opportunity. We can never tell where our work will do the most good, so let us do all that we can and leave the results with Him who is all powerful, and has a continual watch care over the faithful.

O. D. SLATER.

DISAPPOINTED?— Because you cannot go to school? Cheer Up! There is a way to study which is the next best thing to going to school. Write for our catalog, and let us tell you all about it. C. C. Lewis, Principal Fireside Correspondence School, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

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TEXICO NEWS NOTES

—We must not forget to pray daily for the colporteurs. They are out in the country tramping the roads to place the printed page in the homes they find. They do not always have the privilege of associating with those that believe the truth and your prayers will help them in their work. Word comes in from the colporteurs that they are of good courage and are pressing the battle. We rejoice in their success.

—The workers in the office are working hard to keep the work going. We are all planning to answer letters and fill orders the same day they are received. We ask you to be charitable if we should fail occasionally as there is a great deal of work to be done in the office and only a few to do it. Don't forget to pray for the office workers as they will appreciate your prayers and it will encourage them to know that you are remembering them.

—Last Sabbath the Clovis church raised enough money to get 1000 of the special Sunday Law number of Liberty.

Truly we face a crisis just now, as four strong organizations have joined their forces and introduced into congress a very stringent Sunday bill. If this bill should become a law it would cripple our work much. Let each one order as many of the Liberty special as they can and circulate them and get signers for the petition. Price \$2 per 100; \$16 per 1000.

—If you have been doing any missionary work, please send your report to Brother Soper.

—We heard Mrs. Schick say that "A great many had received a perfect attendance card for the past quarter." Good. Let the rest of us plan to get one next quarter.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

To those of us upon whom the light of the third angel's message has shined, the current events of the day speak in eloquent language, proclaiming the near coming of the Lord and

the need of preparing for that event. Because we have opened our hearts to God's truth we can see, in the "Strained Industrial Relations," "The Financial Depression," "The Increase of Crime," "The Lack of Morals," "The Swiftly Changing Political Conditions," "The Religious Indifference," "The Destructive Voice of the Elements" and in many other ways—in fact in every circle of life, The Signs of the Times.

There are those who, unfortunately, have shut their eyes to the evidence of the Book and are "Willingly Ignorant" saying "where is the promise of His coming". To this class Christ directs His rebuke and asks, "Can ye not discern the Signs of the Times?"

But what about our friends and the multitudes who, perhaps, have never had the opportunity to view current events through the eyes of the Book and do not understand the true significance of "these things"? Do we not owe them a duty? Should we not do all we can to get this knowledge, that we prize so highly, to them? We may not be able to make a full explanation to each one personally, but there is a way that we can help them to get the truth, without a great deal of expense and that is to put the weekly Signs of the Times into as many hands as possible. The Signs with its clear cut articles, explaining the prophecies and current events in varied and interesting ways by different writers is one of the best ways we can give the truth to those that do not know it. The Signs is worthy of a big circulation. Shall we not do much more than we are? Each believer should plan to distribute as many of the Signs as possible among his neighbors and friends. Why not order a club now for your own or the church's use?

L. B. SCHICK.

ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED: Good mechanic would like to locate in a warmer climate. Can do most anything—expert painter and decorator. Write Henry Janssen, in care of the Seminary, Hutchinson, Minnesota.

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S. W. J. COLLEGE

ORATORY RECITAL

The first year oratory students gave their first public recital Sabbath evening, January 28 at 8 o'clock.

It is the aim of this department to train speakers that they may present "truth in the simplest manner, with the least effort, and with the greatest effect."

The recital showed that the students are making a gratifying degree of progress towards that end, and reflected credit on the careful training of the oratory teacher, Miss Crump.

Miss Eunice Huber and Brent Zachary added to the program with a vocal and violin solo, respectively.

The readers were Gerald King, Wm. Wilson, Mr. Zeroth, Marie Wilcox, Mr. Anderson, Ruth Beamer and Ray Guffy.

THE GRADUATES OF S. W. J. C. ORGANIZE

The junior college and academic seniors met Tuesday afternoon, January 31, 1922, to organize the classes. The following officers were elected:

Junior College Class

President, Toral Seat.
Vice-president, Lawrence Martin.
Secretary-treasurer, Mary Woodward.

Academic Class

President, Clarence Smith.
Vice-president, Elba Black.
Secretary treasurer, Mary Heim.

There are ten members in the junior college class and twenty-six in the academic class.

MISSIONARY FROM HAITI TALKS TO S. W. J. C. STUDENTS

Mrs. Dora Ranson Parkins gave an interesting talk on life and customs in Haiti, at chapel, Friday, January 27.

Mrs. Parkins stated that there are approximately 690 Seventh-day Adventist on the island, and that our people, although persecuted by the Catholics, are of good faith. Though many of their customs seem strange to Ameri-

cans, the natives when converted, become sincere, earnest Christians. Superstition abounds everywhere and the most of the inhabitants are devil worshippers.

Mrs. Parkins is a former student of Southwestern Junior College. She was called home by the recent death of her father, and since then has been visiting relatives and friends in Keene. She started on her return trip to Haiti Sunday, January 29. The students wish her God-speed.

THE LIBRARY EXTENSION FUND

Since the last report the following persons have contributed to the Library fund.

W. F. Rentzel.....	\$50
James Leland.....	1.00
W. C. Day.....	3.00
John Cole.....	5.00

NEWS NOTES

—Our chapel period Wednesday, February 1st. was given to the magazine workers. Miss Mullens and Miss Neal told us of their experiences in the canvassing field.

—The canvassers' band meets every Wednesday, during the chapel period. Prospective canvassers are finding it profitable to attend these meetings which are now being given to model canvasses, talks on present conditions, and studies of the fields.

—Correction—Through an oversight the names of Toral Seat and Claude Hughes were omitted from the list of students who made 90-94 per cent in all of four subjects during the first semester.

—NOTICE: The field secretaries of the book work of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and New Mexico are urgently requested to send in some reports of experiences in the field, to be used in the canvassers' band of Southwestern Junior College.

—Professor A. D. Field, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Keene, left Wednesday for California. He will stop a few days in Oklahoma

where he will be joined by his family.

—Miss Ola B. Powell has been unexpectedly called home.

—Orie Madden is in school again after having been home for several days.

—Mrs. Cram is again in school after having been ill for a few days.

—A students' music recital was held in the chapel at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. These recitals are held for the purpose of giving experience preparatory to playing in public.

—The music department reports that eight new members entered at the beginning of the second semester.

—Our violin teacher reports three new students.

—Mrs. Whitfield visited the college last week.

—The Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society gave an unusually interesting program last Sabbath afternoon, presenting a miniature city campaign.

Perly Van Landingham and Homer Clouse, as evangelists, delivered two doctrinal sermonettes. In two scenes Mrs. Ross, as Bible worker, showed how interest in the meetings is first aroused and how the interest is followed up with personal work and Bible studies.

—The Junior department of the Keene Sabbath school is using a unique device to stimulate its members to work for a hundred per cent record in every phase of the school. A pennant for each class is used to register the weekly percentage. Five of the thirty-two class reached the hundred per cent mark Sabbath, January 21, 1922.

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