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### IN THE NEW HERBRIDES

Writing to the Australasian Record  
Elder H. M. Blunden, with whom I

Nambus. An uneventful run of two and a half hours took us to the Matanavat landing. On the beach we saw a discarded row boat, built by our late Brother Wiles. The site of the old mission residence is a few yards in from the beach on low land and in the heart of a dense forest. There was absolutely no outlook from the house and the only path was a trail through the bush for about half a mile, which ended in a filthy village, occupied by

graded people, living in as poor dwellings as one could imagine, and they are as forbidding a crowd as I have seen.

"When we arrived a pig festival was being held. There were 200 pigs to be sacrificed, some big tuskers and others of all sizes down to sucklings. A big tusker is valued up to \$250, according to the twist of his tusks. If they have grown to such an extent that they have two full circles, then, nothing



## South Texas Colporteurs

Here they are in the second and third row  
Yes, there are twenty-seven who will go,  
And scatter the printed page from door to door,  
Which gives the message the world must know.

By the side of each one the angel walks,  
And minds are impressed when the colporteur.  
Then by faith he sees Him take his arm, [talks  
Leads him all the way without any harm.

was acquainted while in Australia, relates the following interesting experience:

"The morning follownig our arrival at Atchin we pulled out of the anchorage at 8 o'clock for Matanavat and Big

a vile and dirty people. The flies are as a plague at all times. Such were the surroundings of our missionaries, Brother and Sister Wiles, for one year and a half, before they moved on to Big Nambus. The people are a de-

less than \$250 would purchase them. At a festival of this kind recently held on Atchin no less than 50 of these ring tuskers were sacrificed and 150 others of varying types. There was possibly a total value of \$5000 re-

presented in this pagan offering. A family, or perhaps a village, will work for many years to accumulate pigs for such an affair. Women are bought and sold with pigs, and other traffic also is reckoned in hog flesh.

"Later we reached the little home built by Brother Wiles. Poor Brother Wiles had only just finished this little home when his sad death occurred. We visited the grave on the hillside about one hundred yards from the house. In the friendly shade of an overhanging tree Sister Wiles chose to lay her loved one. To keep the cannibals of that Island from digging up the body Pastor Stewart, who visited the place after the death of Norman Wiles, has cemented the grave and built a picket fence around

it, setting over it a polished, painted stone on which is the simple inscription:

**Norman Wiles**  
Missionary

Born Aug. 25, 1892—Died May 5, 1920

"Greater love hath no man than this"

"This missionary sacrifice calls to us in earnest tones to renew our effort to preach the gospel of God's love for souls to these benighted savages. Our Lord Jesus died for these cannibal people of Malekula, and can we do less than carry to them this wonderful news. We are looking for some one to take up the work laid down by our late Brother Wiles, and ask you to join us in seeking God that the choice will fall upon the right person."

M. LUKENS.

### A GOOD START

The first month in 1922 is now in the past and while our first report is small yet I am glad to report that the prospect is good. I am now at Little Rock, Arkansas and the fifth institute for this year is about to draw to a close but not without results. Likely you would enjoy knowing of how many colporteurs we have drilled so far, who expect to enter the work this year.

North Texas, Keene.....	5
Texico, Clovis.....	13
Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.....	26
South Texas, San Antonio.....	26
Arkansas, Little Rock.....	10

Total 80

Don't that look great? Those are always some who cannot, attend the institute who will canvass. I expect to attend the institute at Clinton, Missouri, College View, Keene and one or two others in our union. So that with our students and others yet to enter the field we expect a good working force this year to sell the dear old printed page. I do not want anyone to get the idea that because times are a little hard that the message or book work is over with. You must remember this is part of the program, for the Lord has told us that what we failed to do in times of peace we would have to do in a terrible crisis. So come on and catch hold and let's do now what we have failed to do in the past. Watch the colporteur's report from now on, Your brother for the completion of this work.

A. F. HARRISON.

### STATEMENT OF SIXTY-CENT-A-WEEK FOR JANUARY, 1922

Conference	Member-ship	Amt. \$2.60 per Member	Amount Received	Amount Short
Arkansas	436	\$1133.60	\$ 345.16	\$ 788.44
*Arkansas	50	105.50	45.06	63.44
North Texas	999	2597.40	1390.20	1207.20
*North Texas	53	115.01	44.44	70.57
Oklahoma	1947	5062.20	5624.62	
*Oklahoma	103	223.51	278.78	
South Texas	487	1266.20	418.37	847.83
*South Texas	58	125.86	61.10	64.76
Texico	357	928.20	453.88	474.32
*Texico	63	136.71	44.29	92.42
Total	4553	\$11697.19	\$8705.90	\$3608.98
Union Shortage			2991.29	
		\$11697.19	\$11697.19	\$3608.98

\*Figured at 50 cents a week, or \$2.17

Union percentage 74.43

In this issue of the RECORD appears the statement of our mission funds as represented in the sixty-cent-a-week plan, for January, 1922.

We have started off quite nicely. The Oklahoma Conference is in the over column. All other conferences are short. Our Union reports 74.43

per cent, which is the largest per cent reported by any union in North America.

Let us all unite in an effort to keep the average up month by month, and by so doing we will not have a large shortage to make up at the close of the year. C. E. SMITH, Treas.

### MAGAZINES

State	No.	Amount
South Texas	350	\$ 87.50
Oklahoma	1900	425.00
Total	2250	\$512.50

### REPORT OF THE SOUTHWESTERN UNION CONFERENCE FOR JANUARY, 1922

State	Agts.	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Helps	Bibles	Total	Bilb. Del.	Bks. Del.	Value
Arkansas	5	370	211	\$866.15	\$42.25		\$908.40		128	\$642.40
South Texas	4	137	125	530.15	25.75		555.90		40	181.20
North Texas	4	225	109	305.95	32.50	58.90	397.35	45.35	52	217.40
Oklahoma	13	318	147	276.00	89.40		365.40		25	195.25
Texico	9	406	72	297.40	38.30	26.00	361.70	13.00	12	60.80
Total	35	1456	664	\$2275.65	\$228.20	\$84.90	\$2588.75	\$58.35	257	\$1297.05

# COLPORTEUR'S WEEKLY REPORT

## NORTH TEXAS COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

FEBRUARY 17, 1922

Totals	Agts.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
Total	3	49	13	\$65.25	\$3.90	\$82.15	\$23.00

## TEXICO COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEBR-

UARY 4, 1922

Total	8	278	45	\$212.75	\$48.40	\$261.15	\$33.75
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## TEXICO COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEBR-

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Total	10	395½	68	\$268.50	\$72.00	\$340.50	\$69.00
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## TEXICO COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEBR-

UARY 18, 1922

Total	9	282	50	\$207.25	\$44.75	\$252.00	\$245.15
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## ARKANSAS COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEBR-

UARY 18, 1922

Total	4	106		\$146.00		\$146.00	\$299.75
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## OKLAHOMA COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEBR-

UARY 18, 1922

Total	17	439	150	\$602.90	\$116.50	\$829.90	\$133.75
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## SOUTH TEXAS COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FEBR-

Total	14	499	141	\$706.45	\$31.70	\$733.16	\$192.70
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## NORTH TEXAS COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

FEBRUARY 24, 1922

Total	4		30	\$81.50	\$32.00	\$120.75	\$16.50
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### HIGHEST RECORD IN HISTORY OF THE SOUTHWEST

The Review and Herald subscription list stood at 1138 January 31, which is the highest record in the history of our Union Conference.

Many of the subscriptions turned in during the last week of January are not included in this list. We shall watch with interest for the record at the close

of February.

From January 1 to February 8 the Review and Herald office received 10,845 subscriptions, the highest month's record in history of the Review and Herald.

During the year of the General Conference let every church plan in some way to place copies of the Review in every home.

E. R. POTTER.

## Arkansas Conf.

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### COLPORTEUR NEWS

The Arkansas Colporteurs' Institute began its studies on Wednesday, February 15. It was one day late on account of Brother Harrison being sick. There was only a very small number at the first meeting, but the number kept increasing until there were eleven in attendance on the closing day, February 23.

Each morning there was a Bible study given by Elder Taylor. This was a great help, as we know success in the colporteur work comes only with a close connection with the Father. The instructions given on the principles and methods of salesmanship, as conducted

by Elder Harrison and Brother Hooper, was very good. Brother Gay, of the western branch of the Southern Publishing Association, located at Fort Worth, was in attendance the last two days and gave some good helps to the colporteurs. Elder Lukens rendered very efficient help.

Each one in attendance, felt better equipped to go out and meet with the trials found in in this line of work and to enjoy the pleasures and blessings that are sure to come to the faithful worker.

### ARKANSAS NEWS NOTES

—Since the institute the colporteurs have gone to their respective fields. We shall expect to get some good reports from them soon. Mr. Kinder and Mr. Brinegar have returned to El Dorado.

—Mr. George Kloss will continue his school work at Hope, Arkansas, until the close then he will enter the canvassing work.

—Mr. Joseph Nelson has returned to Perryville, where he will take up the colporteur work.

—Brother W. W. Ridway will work in and around Hot Springs this spring. He is an old time colporteur but he is new to this field. We look for good reports from him soon.

—Brother C. A. Roose has been a worker in this state, but at present he is connected with the colporteur work in the state of Louisiana. However, we expect to count him among our own workers before long.

—Miss Wilcox is out on an extended trip through the north eastern part of the state. She will visit Hardy, Mt. Pleasant, and other churches in that section.

—The auditing committee met in Little Rock, at the office the 15th. The following, with the Little Rock members, were present: Brother Swartz, of Hot Springs; M. V. Downing, of Hope; O. C. Wakenight, Searcy; Elder N. R. Hickman, of Ft. Smith; Elder J. W. Allison, of Fort Smith.

—A letter from Brother G. E. Norwood of Fayetteville, states that Brother Pifer has been sick with pneumonia, but is now on the road to recovery. We are glad to hear of this improvement.

—Elder Taylor was absent from the office for a few days, including last Sabbath. He visited the Mt. Pleasant church. He is back now.

—Even though the sun is not shining this morning it is rather bright outside, since the ground and everything is covered with a heavy sheet of snow. It reminds us of the snow-balling days. We would still enjoy that for awhile. The rain fell steadily for about two days, and all the trees had a heavy coat of ice on them. It is really a beautiful sight.

How about using the SIGNS in your missionary work? Don't go out day by day only half armed to fight the battles of the Lord. It is not a long range conflict these days that gets the best results, but a hand to hand, or rather a heart encounter. You need more than one weapon. Take the sword of the spirit, which is the Word of God in one hand and a club of the SIGNS in the other.

C. L. STILSON.

PAPERS WANTED: Papers are desired for reading rack work and distribution by Mrs. J. L. Rettig, 2900 Live Oak St., Dallas, Texas; and Mrs. H. M. B. Hardin, Ola, Arkansas.

## North Texas Conf.

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### DO YOU KNOW?

That the Saviour said go ye therefore, and teach all nations. Matt. 28:19.

That the best method for reaching the people is through the printed page. C. E. page 33.

That the time has come when a large work should be done by the canvassers. Test. Vol. 6, page 315.

That the canvassing work properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order. Vol. 6, page 314.

That the canvasser occupies a position equal to that of the minister. Test. Vol. 6, page 321.

That we will have to give an account of the work which we might have done.

That many of the sisters could sell one or two dozen magazines each month, among their neighbors.

That we should get in line and try to do something before Jesus comes. Think it over.

D. VAN CAMPEN.

### SPECIAL OFFERING

The General Conference committee asks that Sabbath, March 18th, be set aside as a day in behalf of our Spanish work. A program has been prepared and at its close an offering for this work will be received. Please remember the date and the call and respond as liberally as possible.

J. F. WRIGHT.

### AMONG THE MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER SOCIETIES

My first visit was at Waco. Here I found the young people organized into a Missionary Volunteer Band, as they do not have enough young people to organize a regular society. Most of the members are taking the Reading Course and Standard of Attainment and all are interested in missionary work. The older members are assisting the leader in training the juniors to do missionary work.

Leaving Waco at 10 p. m., I arrived at the Salmon church about 2 o'clock the next day. I enjoyed a very profit-

able visit with the Salmon church and school. The patrons and teachers are cooperating nicely, and the pupils are doing splendid work. Anyone who is interested in a good school, and who wishes to live in East Texas "where the ribbon cane grows" should correspond with Mr. R. Frymire, Elkhart, Texas.

From Salmon I went to Willis Point where Myrtle Springs our newly organized church is located. I was delighted with the interest both young and old showed in planning for missionary work, for although the weather was awful, we had a good attendance at every meeting.

N. W. DUNN.

### THE READING COURSE

The following young people of the Dallas Missionary Volunteer Society finished the Reading Course this week:

Fannie Mitchell, Martin Pettey, Burt King, Leona Neff, Chester McDonald, Margie Brooks, Margaret Courtney, Homer Baldwin.

If you have finished the course, report the same to your society secretary and you will receive a certificate.

N. W. DUNN.

### MYRTLE SPRINGS, SMALL CEDAR GROVE

After assisting Elder Wright in the Myrtle Springs church, I answered a call to preach in the M. E. church at Wallace some six or eight miles away. On Friday I returned to Myrtle Spring where I visited and held meetings until the following Sunday night. The outside attendance was encouraging in these last meetings, Sabbath February 18, we held the first quarterly meeting with this church. There was good attendance and many expressed there pleasure in once more having the privilege of quarterly service. One more was added to the church. Others expect to unite soon.

On Monday I visited Brother Gross, an aged brother, who lives five miles north of Edgewood, near Small. The following day I walked several miles farther to the Lane district where Roy Beaty lives. Sister Beaty is the only Sabbath keeper in the community. I preached in the school house Tuesday and Thursday night to an interested congregation. Rain prevented meeting Wednesday night. I am urged to return here again and feel that their interest should be fur-

ther developed.

On Friday I came to Cedar Grove where I had for some time planned to answer a call for meeting. Rain prevented the meeting Sabbath. However, I was able to visit the few believers in the community. These brethren have rebuilt their church which had blown down a few years ago and now rejoice to have a neat though small building all ready but furnishings. The seats, organ, etc., are arranged for and I have been appointed to return and begin a meeting there, Friday, March 10, the Lord willing.

I earnestly ask the prayers of God's people that God may give me the grace and power such as the times demand to make known the truth for this time and that He will water the seed as it is sown.

I. A. CRANE.

### SPANISH WORK IN NORTH TEXAS

We are pleased to report that work among our Mexican believers is moving along quite nicely. Sometime ago, Brother Lopez was caused to leave the field and since then we have had no one to take his place, however the believers have been faithful to attend their Sabbath school each week and send in their tithe and offerings.

Now we look for a brighter day. At a committee meeting not long ago, plans were laid for the strengthening of this phase of our work here in this conference. It was voted to invite Brother Salazar to come to us in the spring. He is attending school at the present fitting himself for better service. He has responded to the call and will come sometime in May. We hope to see a good strong work established both in Fort Worth and Dallas. Let us pray that the Lord will greatly strengthen this part of the cause, and that many of the Mexican people will soon be brought to a knowledge of the truth.

J. F. WRIGHT.

### BURCHFIELD-SCHMIDT

Tuesday evening, February 28, 1922, at 7.30 o'clock the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Woodward was the scene of a pretty evening wedding when Mrs. Anna Burchfield and Mr. Henry Schmidt were united in marriage in the presence of about thirty-five guests.

Miss Klostermeyer sang a solo entitled "I Love You Truly" which was followed by a solo "The Little Gray

Home in the West," by Mr. Belz.

Professor Isaac performed the ceremony. He was assisted by Elder Wright. After best wishes and congratulations were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt, ice cream and cake were served.

The happy couple expect to make their home in Keene for the present.

### NEWS NOTES

Brother Henry Schmidt was a pleasant caller at the office this week.

Elder Lukens spent Monday, February 27, in Keene. He stopped at the office to see the workers and plan with Elder Wright for some work.

Brother Van Campen was in Fort Worth the first of the week to assist Brother Baker in making his delivery.

We were pleased to see Eld. McCutchen and wife in Keene for a few days.

Elder Crane has returned from Cedar-grove and reports that the church there is about ready for their new building to be dedicated. He will return there again in a few days for some meetings prior to an organization.

A letter from Brother Malorey brings the cheering news that his Sunday evening services are well attended and that a goodly number are becoming interested in the truth. He is enjoying his work with the churches in Sherman and Denison.

Doctor Jenkins reports some encouraging meetings being held near Gainsville.

We are made sad to learn of the death of Brother Waits, who recently moved from Egan to Fort Worth. More concerning this will be given later.

Elders Lukens and Wright spent Tuesday in Fort Worth meeting with some Railroad Officials concerning the trip to General Conference.

Brother Kettle has just sent in his first report. \$33.75 for only a part of a week's work. This is good for a man who has had no experience.

A colporteur while waiting for a train a few days ago, gave a copy of the "Signs" to a traveling man. This man said he had seen something like it before and was glad to get it. In talking with the man the colporteur learned that he had known something of Seventh-day Adventists and was interested. His name was secured for literature. This may mean a soul saved in the kingdom. You too may do as much. Be a missionary.

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## South Texas Conf.

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### NEWS NOTES

The good rain was certainly appreciated throughout the conference we are sure. This will fill our hearts with renewed courage as we undertake our work for the year. This will be fine for our book work.

Our band of colporteurs did splendidly the first week after the institute, over \$700. This is only part of a week too.

The meetings in San Antonio are progressing nicely. Tonight the Sabbath question will be presented and the test will come to many. Pray that many will decide to obey God's commandments. The attendance is holding up well and our courage is good.

Brethren Miramontes and Nicolas are planning to pitch their tent this week and begin meetings for the Mexicans March 5. Brother Nicolas expects to baptize seven next Sabbath. Isn't this good news? Let us pray that many Mexicans will accept the truth during this campaign.

We would like to see this year the best year South Texas has ever had in the winning of souls to the truth. To this end let us work and pray.

This would mean of course that all the tithe should be brought into the storehouse. Are you bringing yours in?

We have just ordered the Liberty magazine sent to the judges, legislators and editors of our field for one year.

Let us do all we can to let the people know in regard to the principles of religious liberty. In this way many will be led to the truth. So keep the good work going.

If any of you who read these lines have something interesting for the rest of us please send it in to the office and we shall be glad to put it in our notes for the Record.

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### AMONG OUR MEXICAN BRETHREN

It was my privilege recently to make a few trips among some of our isolated Mexican believers. The results were so gratifying that I thought my brothers and sisters of the Southwestern Union would appreciate a report of a few of my experiences.

At Yorktown there are four families of believers, making a Sabbath school of about seventeen members. I found these dear people extremely poor in the things of this world, but very rich in faith. Our American brethren of San Antonio sent these people a gift of a hundred pounds of rice, and when I told my Mexican brethren of Yorktown that they could expect it in a few days, they all wept for joy and said, "How can God be so merciful to us, poor, ignorant Mexicans," and then one of them turning to his brethren, said, "How can we ever pay back or show our appreciation to our American brethren for this great gift?" To see how these, my brethren, showed their appreciation for this gift which was comparatively nothing, made my heart rejoice and I assured them that their brethren counted it a great joy and privilege to do something for them and that they did not look for any remuneration.

These dear brethren are faithful Seventh-day Adventists, living up to all the light that God has given them. Though they possess very little means, yet they are faithful in paying an honest tithe. While I stayed with them I gave them instruction along the lines of the message, and how their hearts responded, and their faces beamed as they listened from day to day. One young brother, Pablo Cirilo, age 21, died while I was there. Two months previous he had contracted that dreaded malady of tuberculosis but as he went to rest in death, his faith and confidence in his Heavenly Father was strong, and as the writer brought a message of comfort to the sorrowing relatives, they became reconciled to the trial and said, "The will of the Lord be done."

In Corpus Cristi, where there are at present only four members, all sisters, I found a keen interest among those not of our faith. In our nightly meetings which we held in our humble little hut, there were from thirty to forty present every meeting, and the young people took a real active part in the rendering of special music, which

helped greatly in our services. These dear people are hungry for the truth and when I had to leave them after a four days' visit, they all expressed their regrets and said, "Be sure and return soon, Brother."

Hearing of an interest down in Mercedes, among a company of ex-Baptist people, I went down to look the field over. In arriving I looked up the leader of this company and told him the purpose of my visit, and he said, "Do you know, brother, for the last week I have been seeking God most earnestly that he would send us a minister to instruct us in the way of truth?" and then he added, "I believe God has sent you in answer to my prayer." We arranged for a meeting in his home that night and when I arrived, to my happy surprise I found twenty-six waiting to give me a welcome. As I explained the prophecies to them and spoke of the soon coming of our Saviour, a new light seemed to enter their hearts and I never in all my experience had a more attentive and interested audience than I had in Mercedes for the next four nights. Although the room in which we met was only ten by twelve yet every night between twenty-five and thirty crowded in to hear the presentation of the truth. When the unhappy hour came for leaving they said, "Come back just as soon as you can for we want to hear more of this message."

Having to assist in a tent effort, for the Mexican people in San Antonio I was compelled to return home much earlier than I desired to. Surely the harvest is ripe and the laborers are few; let us pray that the Lord of the harvest may send forth more laborers into the field. We especially solicit the prayers of our brethren as the San Antonio tent effort is launched, headed by Elder Carlos Nicolás and the writer. We believe that under God we will be able to gather a rich harvest of souls and to this end we are working.

W. B. MIRAMONTEZ,  
Secretary of the Mexican Department  
of the Southwest.

#### READ THIS

I received my pamphlet yesterday afternoon on Sunday Laws and the Papacy, I did not stop until I had read it through. It is excellent and most timely instruction for us as a people for here in Fort Worth alone we have recently seen evidence of how all

these experiences could surely come to the Lord's remnant people.

I feel every church member should have a copy of this pamphlet to keep and study. I am truly glad I had an opportunity to get it. I am enclosing 30 cents for three more copies to give away.

Much more might be said about this most needed help contained in this condensed form from the Spirit of Prophecy.

Mrs. K. F. DAZEY.

### Texico Conference

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#### TEXICO NEWS NOTES

It is with regret that the Conference reports Elder and Mrs. Richards leaving for California. The good work they have done will never be forgotten and the hearts they have won here will follow them in their new home. Though, we are sorry to lose Elder and Mrs. Richards, we feel that our new president Elder Schick and his wife have taken up the good work and will push it forward with enthusiasm "pep" and energy.

Professor Peterson is visiting in our conference this week.

Elder and Mrs. Schick accompanied by Professor Peterson are visiting several of the schools and holding Missionary Volunteer Conventions this week.

Brother Landis, our Field Missionary Secretary, was in the office this week. We always welcome his enthusiastic manner.

Watch our "Colporteur News." It shows that we do things in Texico.

Miss Lehmann, our stenographer, has been absent from the office for several days enjoying (?) the "flu."

Miss Corley, our church school teacher was unable to teach school a part of last week on account of illness.

Mrs. Schick assisted by Misses Lehmann and Corley gave an informal farewell reception for Mr. and Mrs. Bridges and family, previous to their leaving for Riverside, California, where they expect to make their home. Many interesting games were played and several readings and piano solos were given. Refreshments were served to fifty guests. Just before the departure of the guests, the Bridges family was plea-

santly surprised with a handkerchief shower.

We are glad to receive such encouraging reports from our colporteurs in the field.

—Elder Schick wrote a personal letter to each Congressman and Senators representing Texico, in Washington, D. C., regarding the recently introduced Sunday Bill. One of these men replied:

"I believe that religion is a matter of conscience and that the law cannot impose itself upon a man's conscience, therefore, I will oppose said Bill, and let the matter rest upon the conscience of men based upon the ten commandments as people or religions may understand them or take them for a guide."

—Do not neglect or put off mailing the special Sunday law number of Liberty and do all in your power to secure signers to the petition against the Sunday bill.

—San Marciel, New Mexico, sent in a four-page petition which has been sent on to Washington.

—One of the prominent merchants in Albuquerque said to one of our people, "If you will give me some of those petitions I will get a lot of signers."

—Professor Peterson was with the Clovis, church last Sabbath. He spoke on church school work in the morning and in the afternoon on the Missionary Volunteer work.

—Sunday morning Professor Peterson and Elder and Mrs. Schick left Clovis to visit Albuquerque in the interest of the church school work.

—Elder Spies was compelled to discontinue the meetings at Ballinger, Texas, on account of so much sickness in the community, but he writes that he has now returned to Ballinger and that some are deeply interested in the truth.

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## Oklahoma Conf.

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### NEWS NOTES

—Elder T. J. Hickman who has been holding a series of meetings at Bache, Oklahoma, reports good meetings and a growing interest among our loyal brethren. There are several families of former believers who have withdrawn from the body who seem to be a bit interested. Mr. Eylar who some of our brethren know as formerly an Adventist but one of those who left us, has recently been convicted of stealing and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary at McAlester.

—Brother Alvin Long writes from Shawnee that the meetings continue to be fairly attended Sunday nights. They have not made any definite arrangements about their proposed church building. The recent visit of Brethren Potter and Dart was much appreciated by the church.

—Elders Eichman and Van Kirk will hold a Missionary Volunteer convention with the Sapulpa church, Sabbath and Sunday, March 4th and 5th.

—Brother Grant writes in a personal letter that he has been having interesting times of late. The meeting at Sansboys school house, nine miles south of Stigler, has brought good results, their being six new Sabbath keepers, several others stood up last Sunday night. There are calls for meetings in many places near Stigler. The committee had thought of changing Brother Grant's location but the growing work in Haskell county seemed too good to leave just now, so they left Brother Grant at Stigler for a time.

—Do not fail to read the report of Muskogee work as reported by Elder Leach in another column.

—Brother Martin writes from Muskogee colored church. Sister Lukens was with them and conducted a Sabbath school convention. The brethren have been beautifying the church grounds by setting out six large elm trees in the lawn.

—Elder H. J. Miller, pastor of the

Oklahoma City colored church, reports that recently two have taken a firm stand for the Sabbath and will soon be baptized. Their Missionary Volunteer society has taken on renewed activity.

—Elder W. S. North reports that two adults, Brother and Sister Balor with two boys have united with the colored church at Tulsa. This is an encouragement to the church. Their Missionary society have been distributing a large amount of literature and the tent company is of good courage in spite of the difficulties.

—Brother S. B. Slater of Ardmore reports five new believers added to the church last Sabbath, all of whom are full fledged Seventh-day Adventists. The church there have put out 300 Liberty magazine extras and have ordered 200 additional. Interest in all branches of missionary work is reviving.

—Sister Bowles writes that a Dentist at Ringwood, Dr. Gillispie, is becoming deeply interested in the truth.

—Elder Van Kirk met Elder Sturgeon at Enid last Thursday to look up the location of a camp ground and make some preliminary arrangements. They had a visit with the secretary of the chamber of commerce and received much encouragement. Definite arrangements will be made later if all works out well.

—Elder Ezra Fillman reports that he has been having an attack of the la gripe, however he has visited the believers at Grove and several others who are interested, living near Ketchum.

—Our brethren at Sapulpa had a very interesting business meeting in their new church building at Sapulpa last Sabbath evening, February 25th. At this meeting sufficient pledges were made to completely finish their new brick church. It is a credit to the denomination.

—Elder Sturgeon met with the Perry church on Sabbath and Sunday night, February 25th and 26th. He reports a good interest in the Sunday night services.

—A letter from Hooker English brethren report good progress in the repairing of the little church recently moved in from the country for their benefit. Their Sabbath school is growing in interest.

—Elder White returned from his trip to attend his brother's funeral at Boone, Iowa, in time to hold Sabbath services last week.

—Brethren Dart and Potter return-

ed from their itinerary in the eastern part of the state Monday morning. They report a splendid trip.

—The Oklahoma Conference executive committee were in session Tuesday and Wednesday last week. They considered many questions of importance to our work in this conference. Their decisions will be made known from time to time as they are worked out. Every member except Brother Gurney was present, the storm kept him at home.

—We have had no word from Elder McDonald this week.

—The Oklahoma Conference sent to the General Conference for the first month of 1922 over \$600.00 more than their quota for the month. This is good. Would it not be a splendid record to keep up throughout the year? We could do it if everyone would do his best as God has prospered him.

—Among other things the Oklahoma Conference committee adopted the budget for 1922. The plans adopted call for an expenditure of \$63,000 and

—Have you been doing your part in distributing literature on the important items of the day? Present Truth is a splendid series of articles on each of these topics.

the estimated income from all sources reaches \$68,000. The income from all sources last year was but \$65,000 but we believe that with a united effort we can secure at least \$68,000. We have in our files something near \$15,000 on unpaid pledges from our brethren on various funds. Naturally if conditions are at all favorable we will collect a large part of this during 1922.

—Our slogan for finance for 1922 in all our churches should be sixty cents a week per member for missions and sixty thousand dollars tithe for the year. We are unable to do some very much desired evangelical work this summer on account of lack of funds.

—Our tract society statement for the month shows improvement but we will have nearly \$10,000 in accounts, many of them small amounts. If you owe the tract society anything that you possibly can pay won't you please make an effort to close the account?

—The executive committee has been seriously considering the question of asking the tract society to do only a cash business with individuals, keeping charge accounts open only with churches and accredited colporteurs. There is a plan being studied where by colporteurs also may pay cash for



books and thus eliminate even this class of accounts. How do you think such a plan would succeed?

### SAPULPA

Sabbath February 18, found one of the happiest little companies of the Southwest, in Sapulpa.

We met for the first time in our new church. Although rafters overhead, red brick walls, and canvass seats furnish the decorations, it was good to be there.

The perfect order, and holy hush assured us that God's presence was with us.

Surely the Lord has blessed the work here; six more have followed their Lord in the sacred ordinance of baptism, in the last month, and several more will follow soon.

The men are still busy trying to finish the church building before the company leaves for another field of labor.

The ladies are progressing nicely with their food sales. Next week they hope to have their piano paid for in full and they have made a deposit of one hundred dollars on the new oak pews. An invitation has been extended to them, to serve the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs. This they plan to do soon.

We crave an interest in your prayers, that the work will continue to grow.

MRS. R. A. BURGER.

### SABBATH SCHOOL

It was the privilege of the writer to meet with both churches in Muskogee on Sabbath, February 25, for morning and afternoon sessions devoted to the consideration of our Sabbath school work.

One man arose and said, "In two weeks it will be one year since I accepted this message. During that time I have not missed a day studying the Sabbath school lesson. Some time ago my wife had an operation. Before she went on the operating table she studied the lesson and the day following, when toward evening she was feeling a little stronger, she studied again." Such faithfulness touches our hearts. Who will follow thier example?

On Sunday, February 26, we visited the company in Okmulgee, going on to Tulsa for an evening meeting. In all these places we found our people rejoicing in the message, and looking forward to its ultimate triumph.

CARRIE LUKENS.

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### TO THE STUDENT COLPORTEURS

I know many of you are planning on canvassing this summer. We are having rains in Oklahoma at the present time, and prospects are bright for the book work this year. Some have already written me and I believe others are anxious to know whether I have good territory for them.

Yes, I am planning for the students, and I will do all I can to help you make this a successful year in the colporteur work.

"Our books and papers are to be brought before the notice of the people; the gospel of present truth is to be given to our cities without delay. Shall we not arouse to our duties?"—Test., Vol. 9, page 63.

Please write to me for territory and I will reserve the best I have for you.

C. N. YOUNG,

Box 1077 Oklahoma City Oklahoma.

### MUSKOGEE

The work in Muskogee is onward since Sister Thomas and I have gotten well and are able to take hold of the work as we would like. While the devil is working, the Lord is here. We both have some very interesting readers. Sunday night, February 19, we had one of the largest crowds in the Reid hall since we left the Hays hall, at the close of the evangelistic effort. The part is that about half of the attendance was composed of those not of our faith as yet. The subject was the sanctuary. My nice new oil painting showing the earthly sanctuary as a pattern of the heavenly, made largely by Sister Baker of Oklahoma City, was much appreciated by all present. Pray for the work here.

R. W. LEACH.

### SPEAKING OF STORIES

Have you read the charming tale of which Rebekah is the heroine? The artistic touches are delicate and the scene for the climax is wonderfully appropriate. The setting is in the land of Canaan and it is evening, the time of romance. The higher hills are crowned with the glory of the setting sun and the hush of twilight is settling down upon the land. A weary caravan is treading its way through the gloaming, and the jaded camels have quickened their pace for they are nearing home. Silhouetted against

the evening sky near the front of the caravan is seen the figure of a young woman swaying with the awkward motion of the animals. Her eyes are drinking in the beauty of the afterglow, and she is thinking long, long thoughts. Suddenly she speaks to a companion and then demurely drops her veil. She has seen the man. The Book is full of human interest stories. Read it through.

ALFRED W. PETERSON.

### SUMMER SCHOOL

The summer school for the teachers of the Southwestern Union Conference will be held at Southwestern Junior College, Keene, Texas, beginning June 14. Attendance at the summer school is required of teachers planning to teach in the Union during the school year of 1922-1923. The summer session will afford the opportunity of review, of pursuing normal courses, and of institute work. At the close of the session teachers' examinations will be given for certification.

Further announcements will appear later. The conference educational superintendent or the union educational secretary will be glad to give information about the work of the summer school.

ALFRED W. PETERSON.

### THE NEW YEAR

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