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ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

1215 Marshall St.
Little Rock, Ark.
President—Elder H. M. J. Richards
Sec'y-Treas.—L. J. Black
Arkansas Tract Society:
Sec'y-Treas.—L. J. Black

STATEMENT OF 60c-A-WEEK FUND

For eleven months ending Nov. 30, '24.

	Quota	Am't Rec'd	Am't Short
Ark. W.	12,612.60	5,259.78	7,352.82
Ark. C.	1,544.40	757.44	786.96

HOT SPRINGS ITEMS.

The friends of Sister M. C. Nelson will be pleased to know that she is recovering from a very severe fall, she had a few weeks ago.

Elder A. F. Harrison preached a stirring sermon at the eleven o'clock hour and Brother Osborne spoke at 3:00 p. m. to the Hot Springs church Sabbath 13th.

Elder Isaac Baker has been absent from the Hot Springs church for a month or more, holding a series of meetings at Planfield, Ark. He expects to return the 22nd.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

2900 Live Oak Street
Dallas, Texas
President—Elder J. F. Wright
Sec'y-Treas.—B. E. Bridwell

STATEMENT OF 60c-A-WEEK FUND

For eleven months ending Nov. 30, '24.

	Quota	Amount Received	Amount Short
N. Tex. W.	30,266.80	18,243.61	12,023.19
N. Tex. C.	1,395.84	708.83	687.01

NORTH TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Elder N. R. Hickman and J. S. Seal spent the Week of Prayer with the Denison, Sherman, Sulphur Springs and New Hope churches. They report good meetings and attendance at each

place. Mr. Seal of Keene is looking after the interests of the boys as well as helping out with the Week of Prayer work.

Brother Truitt spent a few days in Keene on business last week.

Mr. Alexander spent the week end with his parents at Cash, Texas.

Miss Ellington, student from Keene, spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Bridwell of Dallas.

Brother Norman has just returned from a trip out in the field in the Harvest Ingathering work.

Brother Harrison spent a few days in Dallas enroute to Keene to attend the college board meeting.

Elder Comer, Brethren Bridwell and Seal attended the conference auditing committee held in Keene.

Brother Truitt and family spent the week end visiting relatives in Sherman.

Elder Perry, who is to succeed Elder Wright as president of the North Texas Conference, has arrived in Dallas.

Elder Wright attended the college board meeting and conference auditing committee held in Keene the first of last week.

The church school children of Dallas have been very busy selling nuts and holly to secure money for improvement of their playgrounds. The holly was gathered and shipped to Dallas by the school children of Jefferson who will share the profits, which are to be used for their playgrounds also.

The amount of Harvest Ingathering funds reported by the churches is \$4,068.70. This is not the exact amount as some funds have not been reported by the churches. We hope to give the correct amount soon. These figures show a gain of \$300.00 over last year.

The friends of Miss Lenoa Huguley will be interested to know that she was in Austin last week in response to a letter and telegram from Governor Neff, asking her to serve as one of a committee of fifteen musicians from all parts of the state in selecting the

state song. From over 300 songs submitted to the committee, "Texas, My Texas" was the one chosen as most appropriate. The committee was divided into groups and Miss Huguley was a member of the group which selected the song. Miss Huguley is a musician of real ability and it makes us happy to know that her work is appreciated and she has been given the recognition which she so richly deserves.

NORTH TEXAS INSTITUTE

The Colporteurs' Institute for the North Texas Conference will open on the morning of January 7. Would like to request that all who receive this valuable instruction in Christian Salesmanship be present January 6 in order that we may open the morning of the 7th with every one present.

Those who come with the view of entering the field after the institute will have their railroad fare paid to the institute and from the institute to the field when he has delivered and paid for \$150.00 worth of books. Board and room will be furnished during the institute free of charge. All who feel impressed that they should take up this important branch of the Lord's work kindly write to J. S. Seal, 2900 Live Oak St., Dallas, Texas.

PROFITABLE WORK

During 1925 a profitable work can be accomplished by churches and individuals through the sale of single copies of the *Watchman* Magazine. In some places, building funds and church expense are earned by the membership through the sale of magazines, while in other places the *Watchman* is sold to help finance the needs of church schools. Young People's societies also find the *Watchman* helpful in raising funds for mission goals or for other needs. When the new church was built at Casper, Wyoming, the young people raised about five hundred dollars in this way, writes the pastor, Elder V. J. Johns.

If you are wondering how to do effective home missionary work, you can solve your problem by regularly selling

a club of *Watchman* each month. Even some of the busiest of housekeepers find it possible to sell as many as from ten to twenty-five copies a month. Your profit is fifteen cents on each copy.

Every city church with twenty-five or more members ought to definitely plan to sell a club of one hundred *Watchman* a month. The \$15.00 profit, if not needed for other expenses, could supplement missions offerings to assure reaching the goal of sixty-cents-a-week per member. All standing orders should be promptly placed with your Book and Bible House.

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

Box 1077
Oklahoma City, Okla.
President—Elder W. H. Clark
Sec'y-Treas.—Lowell Estes
Oklahoma Book and Bible House:
Sec'y-Treas.—C. G. Ortner

STATEMENT OF 60c-A-WEEK FUND

For eleven months ending Nov. 30, '24.

	Amount Quota	Amount Received	Amount Short
Okla. W.	57,436.80	32,024.54	25,412.26
Okla. Col.	3,160.08	1,142.86	2,017.22

OKLAHOMA NEWS NOTES.

The latest report on Harvest In-gathering is approximately \$7,000.00.

Elder Fillman has returned to Picher to complete the church building proposition.

Elder Clark and Brother Riffe spent Friday and Sabbath with the Enid church.

Brother Hooper has returned from assisting Brother Sikes in making his Christmas delivery.

Brother C. G. Ortner did not go to Wichita as expected, but has received word that his brother who underwent the operation is getting along nicely.

Some churches have already reported the election of officers. We are hoping all will follow the example of reporting early. We are looking for yours next.

At the time of this writing everything is tintured with Christmas cheer, even to the weather, which is not far from zero, with excellent sleighing in the vicinity of Oklahoma City.

A report from Bartlesville, a church without a resident elder, tells that

they have far exceeded their Harvest In-gathering goal and are still working. Much credit is due this faithful little company, having received very little assistance during the campaign.

Elder Grant and Dart have not returned from Grady where they were participating in the debate. However, we entertain no fears for them, unless it be from cold and exposure. They are well able to care for themselves otherwise.

The clapping of hands and merriment coming from the church school rooms at Oklahoma City indicated that the teachers did not forget to provide something in keeping with the season, making the children happy and at the same time not allowing the spirit of the world to prevail.

OBITUARY.

JONES.—A. C. Jones was born in Catawaba County, North Carolina, October 15, 1842, and died December 3rd, 1924, aged eighty-two years, one month and twenty days.

He was married to Miss Olive Catherine Robinson in 1864, and to them were born ten children, four of whom are living. They are J. L. Jones, of Lamore, Calif., O. V. Jones, of Arlington, Calif., W. W. Jones, of Ada, Oklahoma., and Mrs. D. M. Clouse, of Ketchum, Okla.

His wife died in 1911, and in 1912 he was married to Marion V. Stitzel, of Armona, Calif. To them was born one son, Justin Carr Jones, of Pittsburg, Pa.

Brother Jones accepted the third angel's message near Moline, Kansas, under the labor of Elder Joseph Lamont in 1875, since which time he has been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church. At the time of his death he was a member of the Armona, Calif., church. Old age and general break down were the causes of his death. He came all the way from California to be with his daughter at Ketchum during his last days, and with his son at Ada.

Soon after he accepted the truth he began to scatter tracts and papers; a bunch of tracts were instrumental in starting the work in that conference.

During his life he lived at different times in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and California. He was a man of great resisting power. He was a loving husband, a kind father, and a good neighbor. He died in full hope of the resurrection of God's people. During all

his sickness not a word of murmur or complaint escaped him, but he loved to talk of his experience in the Lord's work. His mind was clear on all points of Bible faith which he made a part of his life. It was an inspiration to talk with him and see how firmly he held to God's promises.

We laid him to rest in the Ketchum cemetery to await the call of the life-giver. We mourn not as those who have no hope. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder R. W. Sufficool based upon Revelation 14:13.

D. M. CLOUSE.

SMITH.—November 25, 1924 the death angel called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Smith near Stillwater, Oklahoma, taking a jewel from their home, a babe of eight months and fifteen days. The little one had been in their home long enough to find a place in their hearts bringing joy to them and now sorrow has come. Mingling of joy come to them in this sad hour for they think of the approaching day when death will surrender its prey and the little ones be returned to their faithful parents. Many friends sympathize with the sorrowing relatives and were present for the services conducted by Brother Benjamin Hill of Stillwater.

The little one sleeps in the near-by cemetery and the coming of the Lord is made more dear to the family that sorrows.

Gleaned from a letter written by the mother.

MRS. OPAL E. SMITH.

A FIELD REPORT.

It was June 13, 1924, when I arrived at Muskogee, only to spend a day or two, and thence to Tulsa, where I labored with Elder Miller as director of singing and tent custodian until September 6. I returned to Muskogee and assumed the pastorate of the Berean church, to find some cold, indifferent and dilatory toward missionary activities and otherwise. Suffice to say they were very much in need of pastoral help, hence the members received us whole heartedly into their midst.

One great burden of their hearts was a church school where their children could be trained in the way God would be pleased and His church edified. First we organized the church into missionary bands and with a prayer in our hearts went to our

friends, and within three weeks we had raised \$125.00 with \$40.00 in hand, making a total of \$165.00. We found favor with the Commercial Lumber Company of Muskogee and opened an account with them. We did work on the parsonage and erected a church school building at a cost of \$287.60 thus far. There is much more work to be done in the near future.

Our school opened on the 6th of October with twelve students and a sacrificing teacher. This being our first year to have a church school, we were unable to pay a teacher a living wage. However, Mrs. Effie Brown consented to teach for a very small sum for a few months, hoping the way would open to give her more. She is doing good work which gives us much pleasure. We were very glad to have Mr. F. A. Moran, our educational secretary, with us and thankful for the encouraging words he left with us, and trust he will visit us again soon.

The Berean church has heard the clarion call to missionary work and are marching with banner unfurled to the standard of truth, singing success. In addition to regular mission offerings and Harvest Ingathering, we have raised, since September 15, \$318.21 for home work only.

Last but not least we must tell you of our work in soul-winning. We have a very good interest created out of which eight persons are now ready for baptism and three have promised to take a full stand for the message not later than the first of the year. It is encouraging to see souls coming into the message and into a church where love, peace, and unity abound. I thank God for this spirit, not only in the church, but throughout the conference. Those who read this letter pray with us for those who are in the Valley of decision. A. B. B. STOREY.

NOTES FROM THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

The spirit of the Lord certainly was very near to us during the Week of Prayer. We held our first reading with the believers at Booker. Although we were just a few, the spirit softened every heart present and worked mightily in our midst. It was a very good beginning and we felt that the Lord was willing to bless us during the week. We spent three days with the Clear Lake church and although the weather was cool the people were

willing to come out and there also the Lord manifested his presence among his children. Not only was this the case in the adult meetings, but also in the meetings with the church school children every morning. The Lord promised to bless our children if we follow his plan in giving them the right training. Before we left for Hooker we spent one evening with the Follett church, in which meeting quite a number of outsiders were present and an excellent spirit prevailed. We reached the Hooker churches Thursday. We had some very good meetings while there. The Lord has blessed us during the week. To retain those blessings and live so that He can bless us every week is the secret of a victorious life. A. F. RUF.

SOUTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

917 South Presa St.
San Antonio, Texas
President—R. P. Montgomery
Sec'y-Treas.—Etta Hewgley
South Texas Book and Bible Society:
Sec'y-Treas.—O. D. Slater

STATEMENT OF 60c-A-WEEK FUND

For eleven months ending Nov. 30, '24.

	Amount	Amount	Short
	Received		
S. Tex. W.	16,988.40	12,733.33	4,255.07
*S. Tex. C.	1,782.00	3,050.01	
*Amount over	1,268.01.		

SOUTH TEXAS NEWS NOTES

Brother and Sister Van Campen were with the Hondo church last Sabbath.

Miss Eva Michael, teacher of the San Antonio school, went to Hondo for her vacation.

Elder Montgomery returned from Keene Wednesday morning where he attended a college board meeting.

All tithes and offerings to apply on "1924" record must reach the office not later than January 7.

Elder Wilcox attended an educational council in Keene last week. He returned to the office Wednesday morning.

Mrs. F. L. Naugle and daughter, Miss Dorris, of Dallas, are visiting friends in San Antonio during the holidays.

The Houston campaign will begin the evening of January 4. Elder W. E. Barr is leading out in the campaign.

His associate workers are: Brother and Sister Hanhardt, Brother and Sister Burger, Miss Baker, Miss DeSaime, Mr. Van Landingham.

The South Texas Colporteurs' Institute will be held at the conference office December 29 — January 6. A good attendance is expected. Elder Harrison will be here to help make the institute a success.

The annual auditing committee will be called to the conference office January 5. Those who comprise the committee this year are: union conference officers who are present, conference committee, F. W. Alexander, of Hondo; Chas. Putnam, of El Campo; W. R. Reynolds, of Houston; Ray Houghton, Corpus Christi.

TO TEACHERS

We have just received our stock of the new School Manual. One of these should be in the hands of each teacher, and the school boards would make no mistake in providing themselves with a copy.

A Resolution:—

Now that Christmas is in the past and the new year is before us why not resolve in our hearts that we will do more systematic missionary work during 1925 than we have in 1924. Now is the time to make definite plans for the coming year so that we will be ready to go to work January 1. You will also want a new Morning Watch Calendar to begin the new year right. We have a good supply.

SOUTH TEXAS BOOK & BIBLE HOUSE.

A GOOD RESOLUTION

This is the time of year that many people make resolutions for the new year. I wonder what you are thinking of at this time. Are you going to make some good resolutions? If so, why not resolve to get into a good line of work for the coming year? Notice the following quotation from C. O. L. p. 303, "Men are in peril. Multitudes are perishing. But how few of the professed followers of Christ are burdened for these souls. The destiny of a world hangs in the balance; but this hardly moves even those who claim to believe the most far-reaching truth ever given to mortals." Dear friends why not resolve to do more missionary work than we have ever done before? Young man why not take up evangelistic canvassing? "This

is missionary work of the highest order." C. E. D. VAN CAMPEN.

S. W. J. COLLEGE

YOUNG MENS' IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Lost—two Young Mens' Improvement Club program nights.

In view of the above notice the club officials have decided to regain at least one of these through the columns of the Record.

Why it is wrong to say, "Pleased to meet you."

Yes, it's wrong all right, yet many of us are apparently unaware of it.

The definition of "please" is to be agreeable; to conform to the will or wish of us, may it please your honor. "Meet" means contact only for the moment. Thus we have the story.

But to go farther, it was the custom in old England when a person of high rank had a lowly person presented to him, he would say that he was "pleased to meet him," inferring that it was only through condescension on his part that he permitted the inferior to meet him.

The whole phrase "pleased to meet you" implies that the person who uses it thinks he is the superior of the one to whom he is introduced.

So, boys, let's remember that to use this phrase will take us in a direction contrary to improvement club principles.

The best authorities agree that a gentleman on being presented to a lady may say "Delighted to know you Miss Jones" or "How do you do Miss Jones"; and that a man introduced to another man usually says, "I'm glad to know you, Mr. Jones" or "How do you do, Mr. Jones."

A CHALLENGE TO SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST.

The war in the Political world is ended for the present. But another war of equal proportions and of far greater significance, perhaps, to Seventh-day Adventists is the war in churches. This is a civil war of the first magnitude. The very citadels of Christianity, such as the Deity of Christ, the Virgin Birth, the Atonement, the Second Coming, are being assailed by leaders within the church. We are witnessing in the most

clear-cut manner the fulfillment of the second angel's message—"Babylon is fallen."

To the average orthodox Christian such a state of affairs is a cause simply for sorrow and helpless regret, but to a Seventh-day Adventist this condition in the churches comes as a challenge, a challenge to proclaim the command of that other angel of the 18th chapter of Revelation: "Come out of her my people."

If you would have a part in proclaiming this command you must lay plans for distributing more literature than ever before, because the spirit of prophecy has plainly told us that "In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel."

You can find no more effective piece of literature than the SIGNS OF THE TIMES. All of its main features for 1925 have been planned in the light of this great religious controversy. In a constructive, persuasive, and yet clear-cut way, it repeats to the reader week by week the command: "Come out of her my people." That is why you should use the SIGNS OF THE TIMES more widely during 1925 than ever before.

Now is the time to renew and enlarge your club, because the General Conference has set apart a period in January and February for the definite work of increasing the circulation of the SIGNS.

The best angle from which to do missionary work selling the *Watchman Magazine* is the TRY-ANGLE.

This is the last number of Volume twenty-three, which is unusual in having fifty-three numbers in the volume.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

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