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## GOD ANSWERS PRAYER

I KNOW NOT BY WHAT METHODS RARE,  
BUT THIS I KNOW: GOD ANSWERS PRAYER.

I KNOW NOT WHEN HE SENT THE WORD  
THAT TELLS US FERVENT PRAYER IS HEARD.

I KNOW IT COMETH SOON OR LATE;  
THEREFORE, WE NEED TO PRAY AND WAIT.

I KNOW NOT IF THE BLESSING SOUGHT  
WILL COME IN JUST THE GUISE I THOUGHT.

I LEAVE MY PRAYERS WITH HIM ALONE  
WHOSE WILL IS WISER THAN MY OWN.

—Northern Union Reaper.

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE AUTUMN COUNCIL

This word is written as the Autumn Council is drawing to a close in Chattanooga, Tennessee. It has been marked by the manifest leading of God in its deliberations. The foreign mission reports are indeed most cheering. Surely the work of God is onward. Truly He is pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh.

But with the glorious advance of the cause we love in many portions of the world field is mingled perplexities and reverses in the Far East. I urge all our faithful brethren and sisters to most carefully read and heed the appeal to our people appointing a day of fasting and prayer appearing on the last page of the current issue of the *Review*. It grew out of the earnest and startling message to the Council by Elder I. H. Evans, president of the Far Eastern Division. The political crisis in China has resulted in great loss to our mission property and retarding of our appointed task. We have never faced such a critical situation before.

October 22 was, therefore, set apart as a day of prayer and intercession, with fasting, in behalf of our Chinese brethren and sisters and co-laborers there that deliverance may speedily come and the way be quickly opened for resuming and finishing our God-given work.

I urge every member in the Southwestern Union to join in praying and cooperating in this crisis. This perplexity is but another convincing token of the nearness of the end. May its lesson be taken to heart by every Adventist. Let us unitedly join the believers in North America and Europe in responding to this call of the hour.

M. B. VAN KIRK.

President S. W. Union Conference.

### CHINA

A timely and interesting, though brief story of the situation in the Far East is given by Elder I. H. Evans, so well known to all our people. Something your friends and neighbors should read. In the November color *Signs*. Ten or more to one address, only four cents each. Your Book and Bible House will gladly supply you.

### SECOND COMING OF CHRIST NEAR, SAYS PASTOR SPICER

CITES DISASTERS, WAR AND REFORMS AS PROOFS—ADVENTIST MEETING OPENS.

"A belief in the second coming of Jesus Christ is the greatest need of the Christian world today," declared Pastor W. A. Spicer, president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, in opening the session today in the Little Theatre of the municipal auditorium. "Seventh-day Adventists," he continued, "make the belief in the second coming of Christ their central doctrine for this time. Our whole movement is based on the belief in the near-coming of our Redeemer. If it were not for that hope there would be no Seventh-day Adventist movement in the world today."

Pastor Spicer then went on to state his reasons for his belief that Jesus is coming in this generation: "The Mississippi flood," he said, "the present great flood in certain parts of Europe, the great earthquakes of our day and the storms and tornadoes of our time are all evidences that Christ's coming is near. He himself said these things would occur in the day of His coming. The present international situation wherein nations are beginning again a feverish race for armament is another portend of the second of Jesus Christ.

### CHURCH-STATE UNION

"Religious legislation and persecution of dissenters is approaching in these United States. We know this because of the preparation for enacting a universal Sunday law that is now being made in Congress. This union of church and state is another evidence that Christ's coming is near. Christ Himself said that 'This gospel of the kingdom should be preached in all the world for a witness, and then shall the end come.'

"The rapidity of the spread of the gospel in our day is one of the most significant signs of Christ's return. The name of Christ is being carried to the heathen lands at a fast increasing pace. For instance, in 1900 Seventh-day Adventists had one member to every 321,000 in Africa. Today we have one member to every 21,000. Twenty-five years ago we had one member to every 13,000,000 in Asia; today we have one to every 48,000. Then we had one member to every 55,000 in Europe; today we

have one to every 5,000. In South America in 1900 we had one Seventh-day Adventist to every 30,000 people; today we have one for every 4,000, and the ratio is fast increasing."

### SKEPTICISM A SIGN

Pastor W. C. White, one of the pioneers in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, followed Pastor Spicer with the statement that the very fact that the Christian world at large is neglecting or is contentious of the doctrine of the second coming of Jesus Christ is one of the greatest evidences that Christ is soon coming. The growing infidelity and skepticism of the age portend His early return, he said.

Most of the morning session was devoted to the consideration of financial questions, especially concerning the mission work planned for next year. Professor J. L. Shaw, treasurer of the General Conference, passed out the budget for the next year, in which all the requests amounted to \$700,000 above the appropriations that were made last year, total requests amounting to \$4,862,699.23.

The money that will be appropriated will be sent to Africa, Asia, the central section of North America, South America, Europe, and Hawaii in foreign lands, while several sections of the work in the United States will also be assisted. More than \$100,000 has been asked to promote the denomination among foreign-speaking peoples in the United States, in addition to the amounts spent by local conferences in behalf of such people.

The requests from Europe include work, among the British, Germans, Poles, Rumanians, Russians, Scandinavians, Persians, Mesopotamians and other peoples over there. Even in Iceland a request has been made. The total requests amount to \$849,872. Before the war the European division was self-supporting, it was stated. Mission offerings from the communicants of Europe last year amounted to \$497,000, Professor Shaw said.

### ALL REQUESTS GROW

The Far Eastern Division which includes all the Asiatic countries except India and Ceylon, received an appropriation of \$759,807.36 last year, while the requests for the coming year amount to \$974,786.45.

South America has asked for \$349,772.67 and received \$330,169.33 last year.

## KEENE NEWS NOTES

The division that includes Indian Ceylon and Burma in its territory has asked for \$420,639.20 as against \$374,336.58 that was appropriated last year.

The requests from many miscellaneous sources and from the administrative offices in Washington amount to practically \$2,000,000.

An income of \$4,230,242.58 has been received during the first eight months of this year ending September 20, according to the official statement of H. H. Cobban, assistant treasurer of the General Conference. He also said that at the beginning of the year the treasury had a surplus of \$1,895,503.31. Through what is known as the sixty-cents-a-week fund \$1,209,711.54 has been received during the first eight months. Mr. Cobban explained that this fund is raised through voluntary offerings in all the countries in the United States and is used for the advancement of mission enterprises. He said the whole denomination has adopted the plan of raising sixty cents a week per capita in addition to paying a tithe of their income for the advancement of the denomination at home.

It was pointed out that the denomination spent more than \$80,000 last year for the uplift of the negro race in the South through gospel methods. Requests amounting to nearly \$100,000 have been made for the furtherance of this work during the coming year. The denomination, it was stated operates a college for the training of negroes at Huntsville, Ala.

Treasurer Shaw also reported that his denomination has decreased its liabilities in the United States by more than a third of a million dollars, during the past twelve months, \$352,914, to be exact.

"Seventh-day Adventists are pledged to the 'no debt policy,'" said Professor Shaw. "We are going to roll away the reproach of debt, and when once we are out, we are going to stay out."

Seventh-day Adventists have established over one hundred medical institutions in this country, five publishing houses, fifty-nine higher grade schools, and six hundred fifty elementary schools. In order to establish all these enterprises it was necessary to borrow heavily, but now the debt is being rapidly reduced.

(The above report of the Autumn Council is part of a report published in the local paper, Chattanooga, Tenn.)

On their way returning from the Fall Council, two former Keene young men, N. H. Conway, field secretary for the North Pacific Union Conference, who spoke to the church Sabbath morning, and Robert Brown, business manager of the Boulder, Colorado, Sanitarium, spent the Sabbath here. The latter was accompanied by his father, T. W. Brown, and sister, Ruby. Both of these young men were raised in Keene, and their many friends were glad to greet them, and to know that they are bearing responsibilities in the Lord's work.

Another torrential rain fell over Keene and vicinity nearly all day Sabbath. As a result the services at the church were attended by only a small number of people.

Mrs. R. B. Dunks, who has been down with an attack of fever is much better and able to be about her work most of the time.

Mrs. O. O. Moore, who recently suffered a light paralytic stroke, is able to be up again, but is still unable to do much.

Uncle Jack Gregory, who has been living with J. H. King and wife for several months, has now been moved to Elder French's residence where Miss Jessie French and Sister Cline will care for him and Mr. McClendon during the winter.

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## MEETINGS FOR FORT SMITH

The Arkansas conference committee has planned for me to lead out in a hall effort in Fort Smith. Brother and Sister Corwin and Brother and Sister Anderson with Mrs. Montgomery will be associated with me in these meetings. We have rented a hall on 10th and A streets. The opening date is October 16. Meetings will be held Sunday, Thursday, and Saturday nights.

In view of this, I plan to locate my family in Fort Smith for several months. I shall be held pretty closely to the meetings there but will have time to make a few visits to the nearest churches. The other churches will

have to do the best they can. I am sure you will work along and be in harmony with the plan to bring more people into the truth in Fort Smith.

Pray for the success of our efforts there. Be faithful in sending in your tithe so the work will be supported. We must do all we can to give the message to the people of Arkansas. Now is the time to do it. "The night is far spent, the day is at hand." Realizing this, brethren and sisters, let us be faithful and true.

R. P. MONTGOMERY.

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## NORTH TEXAS NEWS ITEMS

Elder Benton arrived Thursday morning at our office after having attended the Fall Council of the General Conference at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Brother T. J. Hooper and Douglas Preiner returned from the southern part of the conference Thursday, where they made a very gratifying delivery.

Elder Yates is spending some time at Waco leading out in the Harvest Ingathering work. We hope to receive some good reports soon from that place.

Elder J. W. McComas and Brother Paul O. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell and Miss McComas, called at the office yesterday. They were here in order to council with the president in regard to the meetings which are soon to begin in Fort Worth.

An auto load of our Dallas Harvest Ingatherers left Dallas Wednesday morning, and returned Thursday evening. They did not come back empty handed, but had gathered something like \$64.00 on their journey. We feel sure they enjoyed the trip.

From the union conference Harvest Ingathering Bulletin which arrived this morning, we learn that North Texas holds second place in Harvest Ingathering raised per member. If everyone would do his part in the Harvest Ingathering work we could just as well hold first place. We do not regret that our sister conference to the south holds first place, but we do desire to make them work harder for the place.

It is now the time of the year when our home workers should order their Home Workers' prospectus. People will buy Christmas gifts for their children before long. Here is the opportunity for the lay-members to avail themselves of an income during spare hours. The price of the Home Workers' Prospectus is fifty-six cents, post paid. Those selling these Home Workers books receive a fifty per cent commission. We shall be pleased to receive your order for a prospectus.

Attention, Boys and Girls! The No-Tobacco number of the *Little Friend* is now off the press and ready for mailing. This is a very attractive number of this paper, and you will find it a ready seller. This is an opportunity to earn some money for your Sabbath school donations, and other things. The cost price of the paper to the children is two cents each in lots of ten or more, and are to be sold for five cents each. Send your order to the Book and Bible House.

#### CHEERING OUTLOOK FROM THE AUTUMN COUNCIL

As I approached Chattanooga a couple of weeks ago to attend the Autumn Council I felt sure we would have to bring home a report of retrenchment in our world-wide work. With the slow income of tithe and mission funds thus far in 1927 it seemed certain to me we would have to decrease the missions appropriation for 1928 to an amount much less than the magnificent sum of \$4,300,000.00 which was appropriated for 1927.

Another doubt that seemed to linger in my mind was whether or not we were making any progress in the recent effort to decrease our denominational indebtedness on our institutions. For years we have been going into the abyss of debt at a terrific rate, but I was blessed to learn as we viewed the large chart at the council that we have not only stopped on this awful toboggan slide, but we are actually climbing slowly but surely up the hill to freedom.

When the budget was finally adopted for our mission work it was wonderful to see that more than one hundred thousand dollars was added to the amount of last year's appropriation.

As we listened to Elder Evans tell of the terrible experiences of our workers in the war districts of China, we were thankful for the week of sacrifice, which this year will be used for the

reconstruction work where our missions have been looted by the war mad armies.

Our hearts were greatly encouraged as we listened to the reports coming in from the ends of the earth telling of the hundreds and thousands that are coming to our missionaries for the light. God is impressing men everywhere by dreams and providential happenings, to search out our mission stations and learn the true way to worship the true God.

R. L. BENTON

#### NEAR THE TOP AGAIN

A few weeks ago the union report showed North Texas way down toward the bottom in the Harvest Ingathering work, but now we are within one of the top and looking up strongly.

Our members are rallying in fine shape and if they will just keep on until the last place is worked, and the other members who have not worked will either do so or put in their ten dollars, I believe we will go beyond last year and lead the union per capita.

There is money to be had and if we don't get it the Devil may. He may do much harm with it, while on the other hand think what immeasurable good would be accomplished if it is turned into the mission treasury.

I have not been out as much as I plan for as yet, as I was detained by my trip to Chattanooga to attend the Council and also am spending considerable time helping to get the tabernacle ready for the meeting at Fort Worth which will begin about the first Sunday night in November. However I plan to do considerable more in the Harvest Ingathering work and help to bring North Texas to the top round of the union ladder. Come on brethren with work and money and let us make a united drive till we reach the top.

R. L. BENTON.

#### CHANGES IN THE NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

Our RECORD readers will regret to learn that Elder H. S. Prenier has received a call to the pastorate of the Nashville, Tennessee, church and will be leaving Dallas about the 24th of this month.

Another change has been recommended but as yet I do not know that it will materialize so I am withholding the names involved until I hear from the parties.

Elder Prenier and his faithful wife have done faithful work in Dallas. One noticeable feature of the work they have been doing is the visiting of the isolated and discouraged members and getting them back to church. They have also stood faithfully for the principles upon which our message is founded and the results have been that peace and prosperity have reigned in the church.

I could wish our funds were coming in all over the conference so we would not have to confine our working force to so small a number. We regret to lose these good workers and yet are not in a position to discourage their answering a call when we realize that unless our people return to faithful tithe paying we will be compelled to ask some to discontinue work.

I feel sure I can say in behalf of our people in North Texas that Brother and Sister Prenier have the confidence and love of the members and that we all wish them God speed as they go to this larger and new field.

R. L. BENTON.

#### NORTH TEXAS NEWS NOTES EDUCATIONALS

The opening reports from the teachers show that almost everyone organized the junior society the first week. The junior society will help to solve your discipline problems.

The Junior Reading Course is composed of three very interesting books, namely: The Life of Joseph Bates, Jungle Stories, and Crossing the Plains. Try to finish these books the first semester for the 1928 books will be out the first of the year.

At the time of this writing thirteen schools have started. Three or four are to start yet.

The following schools have been visited this year: Dallas, Keene, Fort Worth, Graham, Olney, and Wichita Falls. The superintendent will try to get around to the other schools as soon as possible.

The teachers want to remember that only one of the following subjects is required for graduation: Agriculture, Woodwork, Sewing, and Cooking. Both music and drawing are required.

October 1st is the end of the first school period. You are asked to send your report if you have taught two weeks in the period. This will help us to keep our reports uniform.

Your name has been handed in to the RECORD and you should get it and also read it. You need the information that is passed through the paper. Always watch your North Texas column.

Reading for the seventh and eighth graders will have to be selected from True Education Reader Series Nos. 6 and 7. I hope to send out some information concerning this at a later date.

### THE TEACHER A SOUL WINNER

One of our church members in a certain church related to me recently the following experience. They used to have a good church school at their home church and not only were the children of the church members in school, but outside children attended. Thus it happened that a certain girl after a few years in our school moved away with her parents where she had no association with the Adventist people. She grew to womanhood and was married, and in relating her experience, she said she had a desire in her heart ever since she left church school, to again come in contact with those people who taught her the Bible. All these years that desire followed her, until this last summer at the camp meeting held at Keene she took her stand for the truth and was baptized. Some faithful church school teacher will share a reward for winning this little girl to Christ.

Who knows, dear teacher, but that some day you will look back and to such an experience as that.

A. F. RUF

### A LETTER

To our many friends in Oklahoma and other places who know us and wish to learn our whereabouts this letter comes. We had a very enjoyable trip in our car down here, with no accidents and only two punctures. As we arrived here the truck that moved our household goods was unloading with Brother Norman assisting them. We did not find everything as nice as we expected but were very glad to get here. The children started to school the next day after we arrived which was the opening day. Ivan and Norma are in the college. They did not like it so well at first but think it just fine now. As they get more used to the customs and ways of the people and the teachers they are liking it much better and I believe by the time the

school is half over you could not get them away.

I have been on the run since coming here. Most all of the workers were in the midst of their deliveries. Some were finishing while others needed my assistance, so I was happy to do all that I could to help them. My first workers to visit were Brethren Conrad, Cranfell, and Harrison located at Tyler. I am very sorry to say that I missed my connections with them and after spending two days there I went to Palestine where Brother Culpepper was working hard with his and sons delivery. I spent three very pleasant days with him. The Lord opened up the way for us and we found many people waiting and anxious for their good books. We delivered thirty-two books in one day. Many of them had the change tied up in a handkerchief and they were overjoyed to see us come with their books. Last week I spent with Elder Premier's boy, Douglas. We had a good time together delivering his scattered orders. One poor old woman who had ordered a full Kertol \$7.50 book said, "I am sure glad to get my book. I had been saving this money for two months and I was so afraid you would not get here with it. I know it will help me prepare for the coming of Jesus." We had many such experiences as this one. The Lord has people everywhere waiting for our message-filled books.

I want to say in closing that this is a wonderful field for work; great opportunities are before us. From what I have seen so far crops are fairly good and people are prosperous. We just need more good faithful workers to go to them with our good books and I am sure the Lord will bless them with success. Remember us in your prayers and we will be glad to get a letter from any who will write us. T. J. HOOPER.

### A LEAGUE OF CHURCHES?

Elder Arthur S. Maxwell, of our English publishing house, has just had the privilege of sitting in at the meetings of the World Conference on Faith and Order at Lausanne, Switzerland. His story, "Is the League of Nations to be Followed by the League of Churches?" is something every student of prophecy will want to read. Profusely illustrated. Ask your Book and Bible House for the November color *Signs*. Only four cents each in lots of ten or more to one address.

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### OKLAHOMA NEWS NOTES

The blame for no news items appearing in last week's issue is laid to Elder Clark for not laying the burden upon any particular person to contribute the news notes during his absence while attending the Fall Council.

The educational department was pleased to have made arrangements supplying the Shattuck school by placing Miss Edith Cornish as teacher of the lower grades, but now they are perplexed by an urgent call passed by the Fall Council asking Professor Loewen, principal of the school, to take work in the Greater New York Conference.

Elder Clark returned to the office Wednesday, council having closed two days ahead of scheduled time. He reports an excellent meeting with great things planned for the year 1928. Read the reports in the *Review*.

Elder Dart spent the week-end with the company at Wayne. Heavy rains did not prevent the Sabbath school from convening though the attendance was not full.

Brother Riffel and wife and Sister Taylor made the office a call Wednesday. Sister Taylor is getting around quite nicely on crutches. They made the trip by automobile.

Elder Willless has been at Keene for almost a week, having been called there on account of his father's serious illness.

Mrs. Myrta Votaw-Ballenger, sister of Elder Votaw, died at her home at Woodward last week. Elder Aalborg, of Wichita, Kansas, was called for the funeral. Obituary appears elsewhere.

Elder Clark's trip to the Council was delayed one day by a funeral service at Hitchcock. Brother Nuss, seventy-seven years of age, went to his rest. Obituary will appear later.

Brother C. M. Norman is in the field getting hold of the work, having reached Oklahoma late in September.

### OBITUARY.

BALLINGER—Mrs. Myrta (Votaw)

Ballinger was born in 1868 at West Mansfield, Ohio, and died September 23, 1927. Age fifty-nine years. She was married in 1888 to P. W. Ballinger, and to this union were born two daughters, Crystal and Ruby. Crystal having preceded her mother in death at the age of fifteen in 1905.

She leaves to mourn, a tender companion, three brothers, Edson Votaw, of Woodward, Oklahoma, A. L. Votaw, Bellefontaine, Ohio, Heber H. Votaw, Washington, D. C. Associate secretary of the Religious Liberty Association of America, one daughter, Mrs. Ruby Austin, of Harmon, Oklahoma, five grandchildren, five nephews, four nieces and a large number of friends.

Myrta Votaw was converted to Christ at the age of fifteen and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at West Mansfield, Ohio. She was a student of the Cleveland Bible Institute and was an active Bible worker in that city and a close Bible student all her life.

They came to Woodward, Oklahoma, in 1907. Mrs. Ballinger was appointed postmaster by Calvin Coolidge in 1923. This appointment she has filled in a most efficient manner and will be greatly missed from this post of service, as well as from the little company of faithful believers at that place.

She was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club, member of the Chamber of Commerce, member of the Boy Scouts, and an enthusiastic supporter of the 4, H, club.

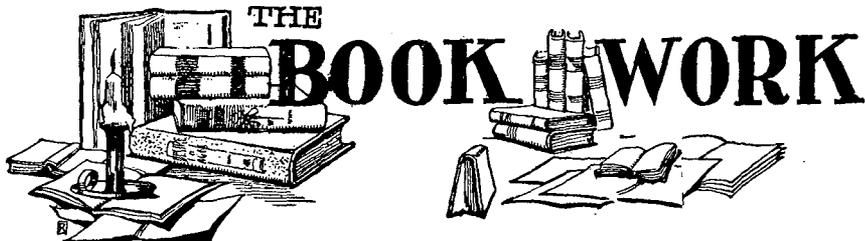
Of her it can be said, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

The funeral service was conducted from the Baptist church at Woodward by the writer. The high esteem in which her life was held was manifest by the large attendance at her funeral, nearly 400. N. J. AALBORG.

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**SOUTH TEXAS NEWS NOTES**

Brother Van Campen has just returned from Houston where he has been assisting the colporteurs there in their deliveries.



**COLPORTEUR'S WEEKLY REPORT**

**OKLAHOMA COLPORTEUR'S REPORT FOR 3 WEEKS ENDING SEPT. 28**

Name	Bk	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Del.	
W. R. Barlett	BR	136	2	11.00	11.00	22.00	34.50	
G. B. Boswell	BF	134	34	112.00	121.60	233.60	15.50	
G. W. Calloway	DR	103	19	103.50	7.25	113.75	.....	
Glenn Ross	DR	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	465.75	
Chester Anderson	DR	45	1	5.50	2.00	7.50	.....	
J. B. Roth	PP	37	1	22.00	.....	22.00	51.25	
J. F. Stringer	BR	18	3	16.50	5.45	21.95	.....	
Ewell Walker	Crisis	9	.....	.....	7.75	7.75	7.75	
Arthur Burton	BR	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	481.00	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>9</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>273.50</b>	<b>155.05</b>	<b>428.55</b>	<b>1055.75</b>

**SOUTH TEXAS COLPORTEUR'S REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCT. 1**

Name	Bk	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Del.	
W. H. Atherly	RJ	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	127.40	
L. G. Beans	BR	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	99.55	
R. M. Flores	OD	44	8	29.00	.....	29.00	48.00	
M. P. Gipson	RJ	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.00	
C. H. McCorley	OD	63	20	76.00	21.75	97.75	14.75	
Wm. J. Prindle	RJ	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	78.50	
<b>Workers</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>105.00</b>	<b>21.75</b>	<b>126.75</b>	<b>380.20</b>

**TEXICO COLPORTEUR'S REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCT 1**

J. C. Curry	DR	9	7	38.50	1.25	39.00	.....	
R. H. Rea	GC	18	5	28.50	39.00	67.50	.....	
<b>Workers</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>67.00</b>	<b>39.75</b>	<b>107.25</b>	<b>.....</b>

**GRAND TOTAL:**

<b>Workers</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>445.50</b>	<b>216.55</b>	<b>693.05</b>	<b>1435.95</b>
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Last Sabbath, October 1, Brother Van Ness, from the Hondo church, attended Sabbath school and church services at the San Antonio church.

The quarterly meeting services of the San Antonio church were celebrated on Sabbath, October 1. Everyone present seemed to enjoy the services very much.

who was buried in the Bladen Springs, Alabama, Cemetary twenty-six years ago. Sister Elliott became a Seventh-day Adventist over half a century ago and with her husband labored for many years as a pioneer worker in Alabama and Mississippi.

Five daughters, all living in Alabama, and one son, Elder Wm. Elliott, President of the South Texas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, besides several grandchildren mourn the loss of this faithful mother in Israel, but they sorrow not as those who have no hope because they expect to meet her again soon when the Saviour comes.

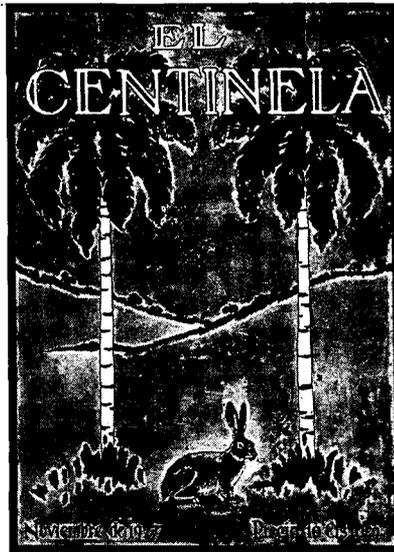
J. F. ASHLOCK.

**OBITUARY.**

**ELLIOTT**—Mrs. Mary M. Elliott was born in Abbeville, Alabama, February 15, 1844 and died at her home in Jackson, Alabama, September 25, 1927. She was laid to rest beside her husband

## SMILE

A smile costs nothing, but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. None is so rich or so mighty that he can get along without it, and none so poor that he cannot be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business, and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and is Nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to any one until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give you a smile. Give them one of yours, as none needs a smile so much as he who has none to give.—Selected.

THE SPANISH MAGAZINE FOR  
NOVEMBER

Many good things are to be found in the November issue of the Spanish magazine, *El Centinela*. It is one of the very best numbers yet issued. Following the Harvest Ingathering campaign, this is a most appropriate time to place such literature in the hands of our Spanish-speaking neighbors.

The various editorials, interpreting the meaning of present-day events, the very best notes and items of interest to be found in the public press, the space devoted to timely health topics,

the special articles from month to month, all together make the paper one of the most appreciated periodicals in the Spanish language.

The November issue has three very special articles deserving mention: "Has Time Been Lost?"—a good Sabbath article; "The Archaeological Spade," and "How I Tamed My Temper."

Its subject matter, its illustrations, and its attractive covers make *El Centinela* a welcome visitor in many thousands of homes. For the sake of the great numbers of Spanish-speaking people in this union conference who do not read this magazine, as yet, we appeal to you to help circulate this November issue, selling at ten cents per copy. (Prices in quantities: ten or more copies, six cents each; fifty or more copies, five cents). Your Book and Bible House will gladly forward orders to the publishers, Pacific Press Publishing Association, Cristobal Branch.

## TELL HIM NOW

If with pleasure you are viewing  
Any work a friend is doing,  
If you like him or you love him,  
Tell him now;  
Don't withhold your approbation  
Till the preacher makes oration  
And he lies with snowy lilies  
O'er his brow.  
For, no matter how you shout it,  
He won't care a thing about it—  
He'll not know how many tear  
Drops you have shed;  
So, if you think some praise is due him,  
Now's the time to slip it to him,  
For he cannot read his tombstone  
When he's dead.

More than fame and more than money  
Is the comment kind and sunny  
And the hearty, warm approval  
Of a friend,  
For it gives to life a savor,  
And it makes you stronger, braver,  
And it gives your heart and courage  
To the end.  
If he earn your praise, bestow it,  
If you like him let him know it;  
Let the words of true encouragement  
Be said.  
Do not wait till life is over  
And he sleeps beneath the clover,  
For he cannot read his tombstone  
When he's dead.

—Selected.

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A MIGHTY CHALLENGE TO  
WHOLE-HEARTED SERVICE

As the writer sat in the Fall Council sessions and listened to the blood-curdling report of Elder I. H. Evans, Vice President for the Far Eastern Division of the General Conference, telling how God had marvellously delivered not only many of our people from the rage of the poor heathen about them, but how he himself had been snatched, as it were from the jaws of death time and time again, and then to hear him say that not one worker wanted to come home because of the terrible condition prevailing in this war-stricken land, and of the loyalty of our native believers, all constituted a mighty challenge to his heart for whole-hearted service, and a renewed consecration to God for service, and constrains him to call upon the dear brethren and sisters of the Texico Conference to join in a mighty effort to swell the mission funds at this time by entering heartily into the Harvest Ingathering campaign and then when the Week of Sacrifice comes, let us one and all say by God's help we will join in this noble endeavor for God.

It was a cheering report that came to us just this morning in the council assembled here in Chattanooga, when Brother Cobban read that our 1928 budget would be \$4,428,000.00, and further that we would be able to advance some instead of retrench, for dear brethren, there is no such thing as retrenchment in this movement, for it is of God, and the marching orders are always forward.

Then our hearts were stirred also by the report of the Religious Liberty department, when they told us that even men in Congress declared to Elder Longacre that unless our God intervened in our behalf there would be reported out of the committees a Sunday bill for the District of Columbia, which means that our work will soon be greatly handicapped, all of which ought to challenge us to renewed consecration, and untiring efforts in gospel work.

E. T. WILSON.

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**S. W. J. COLLEGE**

**S. W. J. C. NEWS NOTES**

President Thompson received a hearty welcome from the student body

on his return from the Fall Council, and his talk in Vesper service Friday evening was marked with impressiveness as he recounted some experiences of our workers in the seething, war districts of China. Many of the students responded by consecrating their lives to the "finishing of the work."

The enrollment up to date is around the two hundred mark, and a number of students who are making their deliveries now, will be here to enroll soon.

Saturday night the students and faculty enjoyed a march in the dining room. President Thompson directed the march, leading out with eight students who demonstrated the correct way to turn corners and follow directions. Later the students lined up and for an hour marching was the order of the day.

Mrs. Hite, from Addington, Oklahoma, was in Keene visiting her daughter Mabel.

Brother R. J. Brown, business manager of the Boulder Sanitarium, was a visitor at our Friday evening vesper, and later interviewed the students who were interested in taking the nurse's course.

Shirley Scott and Violet Doles visited in Cleburne Sunday with Shirley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Scott.

Miss Vivian Beach and Mildred Beal spent the week end at their home in Fort Worth.

Gladys Smith, Margaret Simpkins, and Lou Okla Spurgeon were in Dallas Sunday attending the State Fair.

Elder H. N. Conway, from the North Pacific Union Conference, occupied the eleven o'clock hour Sabbath. His sermon on Christian service was very helpful.

I am sure that every one will be glad to know that the broom factory is nearing completion. It is being painted now, and will soon be ready to operate.

A new gravel walk is being planned from the bakery to the kitchen. This will be a great improvement on the board walk which has been there. The road through the campus will also be re-graveled.

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