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Give God a Chance

BELIEVE it or not." We are told by the servant of the Lord—"This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time." There is no question but that this statement refers to our day. I heard somebody say not very long ago, "There was never a better time to sell our books than now." And I think he was right. However, somebody may say,—why talk that way when times are rather hard. Well, here are some reasons.

"A smooth sea never developed a good sailor." And why can't we say prosperity doesn't always develop good colporteurs. It took a whale to make a success of Jonah. It took a shipwreck and a jail to make a Paul. Who knows but that you have been born to develop under such a time as this. God is saying to you "My brother, my sister—Give me a chance."

Into a great city telegraph office where scores of instruments were busily clicking away, a rather tall and awkward boy, having on a linen duster reaching nearly to the floor, entered and went to the chief operator and asked for a position. The strange looking young man was asked to take a seat at the table where the press news was to be received. The other operators looked askance at the farmer boy, and predicted that he would fail to take the messages from the fastest man on the line. But everybody was surprised to see this uncouth-looking boy take the messages without a break or without a halt. He sat at the instrument hour after hour writing a clear hand and tossing sheet after sheet to the waiting messenger boy. While all the office force stared at this newcomer with astonishment and admiration, the chief operator appeared and informed the young applicant that the job was his. When he asked for the young man's name, the reply was—Edison. It was the beginning of his career. All he wanted was a chance. And when he got it, he did marvels.

"Prove me now," says the Lord, "if

I will not open you the windows of heaven." The Lord opened the way for Moses at a worse time than this. For Joshua he caused the Jordan to roll back. For Gideon He opened the windows of heaven and the hosts of Midian fled. He will open the windows of heaven for you, if you will only give Him a chance.

Success requires faith—lots of it; faith in the Lord, faith in His Word, faith that you can do all things through Christ, faith in what the servant of the Lord has told us—"This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time." Ask yourself the question—Will I give Him a chance? Then step out on His promises and God will do great things through you.

J. A. P. GREEN.

I Must Never Forget

That God leads no backward movements.
That God builds no roads for retreat.
That Doubt carries no keys of conquest.
That Faith makes no provision for failure.
That God's best rewards are ahead of us.
That Faithfulness to the end is expected of every loyal colporteur.

ERNEST LLOYD.

"Who Will Go?"

ALSO I heard the voice of the Lord saying, whom shall I send and who will go for us? Then said I, here am I, send me." Isaiah 6:8. How often have we heard this voice and how truly have we responded to such a call? Why should God ask, "Whom shall I send?" Evidently because there is a real need. In His plan of redemption He has arranged for men, who have tasted of His salvation, to go for Him. If the previous verses of chapter six are read, it will be apparent that even before Isaiah could say that he would respond, a special experience with God came to his heart.

How many of our people are con-

stantly praying, Lord, send laborers into the harvest field? When we are in such a mood, God can speak to the hearts of the ones who should go.

There is no branch of God's work but is filled with perplexities. Satan plans to block the wheels at every turn, but ultimately he fails in every case. Our colporteur work is no exception. When things go hard, there is God's time to deliver.

The experiences of Israel were written for our learning upon whom the ends of the earth are come. And the record, as stated by Joshua, is that not a thing that God promised failed. The Red Sea experience is about as tragic as anything that ever came to any people, yet God delivered and in glorious triumph.

There have been discouragements all along the way of our back work, yet when 300,000 people can continue to sell about \$5,000,000 worth of literature one should be encouraged.

Our colporteur work has long been one of our most dependable lines of effort, but in this union our forces have shrunken greatly. Our books tell the message whether in good times or in times of stress. Courage, faith, consistent and constant effort, and the walls of Jericho will yield. God's arm of power will bring victory. Never have we faced a greater need of consecrated colporteurs.

Our institutes have been appointed. Our instructors are making preparation to give the best line of instruction ever presented. Souls are in need. God lives and leads. Who among all this 7,000 believers will listen to the call of God and enlist for service in this advanced guard?

M. B. VAN KIRK, *President*
Southwestern Union Conference.

The Eleventh Hour Call

AND about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing idle. and he said unto them, 'Why stand ye here all the day idle?' They say unto him, 'Because no man hath hired us.' He said unto them, 'Go ye also into the vineyard: and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.' " Matt. 20: 6, 7.

We have already reached the eleventh hour of this world's history and the call of God is sounding throughout our ranks for consecrated laborers to reap the Lord's harvest. God has instructed us that "Terrible scenes are before us, and what we do we must do quickly. . . . If we are not willing to make special sacrifices in order to save souls that are ready to perish, how can we be counted worthy to enter the city of God?" Testimonies Vol. 9, pages 101, 103.

"We are held accountable by the Lord for making the most of our opportunities to enlighten those in need of 'present truth.' And one of the principal agencies He has ordained for our use is the printed page." Id. page 87.

One hundred colporteur evangelists are needed at this time to give this message in the Southwestern Union Conference, where reside nearly ten million people. This work has been "ordained of God" to reach multitudes of people who will receive the warning in no other way. Will you not respond to the call?

The times truly demand that we no longer postpone our service for the Master, for there will always be things to hinder. The servant of the Lord has said, "The obstacles that hinder our progress will never disappear before our halting, doubting spirit. Those who defer obedience till every shadow of uncertainty disappears and there remains no risk of failure or defeat, will never obey at all."

If God has a work for you to do in selling our literature, it is a solemn and serious matter to let the precious hours pass by and not use them in placing our message-filled books in the homes of judgment-bound souls. "God calls the canvassers back to their work. He calls for volunteers." Colp. Evan. p. 26. "Let no business enterprises be allowed to absorb the time and talents of workers who ought to be engaged in preparing a people for the coming of the Lord." C. E. p. 31.

The excuses that we may now offer for not entering the Lord's service, will not be heard by the Judge of all the earth when we stand before Him to render our account for at that time we shall be speechless.

The voice that is now calling to service will soon be heard calling laborers to receive a crown. Will you not respond to this eleventh-hour

call and be present at the next colporteurs' institute in your conference?

Write to your field missionary secretary today for information concerning the institute and territory.

B. E. WAGNER,
Union Field Missionary Secretary.

Our Books Save Souls

EVERY Seventh-day Adventist who is letting the Holy Spirit have His way in the life is anxious to see people accept the last message. God has ordained ways by which honest souls can learn of the special light that He has in store for them. Then it behooves every believer to engage in a work that will help to spread the light. The next question that naturally comes to the mind is: What line of labor will bring the greatest harvest of souls? Here is one answer: "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."

Many of the world's people greatly appreciate our books. A man who purchased a copy of "Patriarchs and Prophets" recently told the colporteur that he would not take \$50.00 for what he had learned from it. He is reading it the third time. Experiences reach us from all directions indicating the work of the Holy Spirit upon hearts as they read the precious pages of truth. Souls are casting their lot with us and churches are being raised up as direct results of the colporteur work.

Dear reader, the work of God is closing. Each day persons are making their final decision relative to eternal life. Our books, when placed by consecrated workers, will bear fruit for the Lord. The colporteur work is "missionary work of the highest order." Plan to sell some of our home workers' books until Christmas, and then take up the sale of one of our subscription books.

Our institutes will soon begin, where special training will be given in gospel salesmanship. If you can spend all or part time in this work, do not fail to write your conference field missionary secretary. Will you act now?
H. R. GAY.

Colporteur's Opportunity

MUCH thought is now being given to furnishing regular employ-

ment to the unemployed. Headlines are being displayed in the papers, "New Business Growing Rapidly," "Pay Roll Increased," "New Plant to Open Soon", "Building Permits Increasing" etc., etc. While the business world is making preparation for future business and activity, we as gospel salesmen should not only adopt the slogan "Buy now", but "Books can be sold now," for just now there are thousands who will listen to the message of courage and hope that bookmen have to deliver. In an hour of perplexity and want the hearts of men are more easily turned to the only source of relief, therefore this is one of the great opportune times for faithful year-round colporteurs to continue in their work. Our publishing houses are receiving letters from far away lands as well as from many individuals living in the States of our own field, asking about purchasing our books. The following quotation from "Colporteur Evangelist" page 26 reads as follows: "A great and important work is before us. The enemy of souls realizes this, and he is using every means in his power to lead the canvasser to take up some other line of work. This order of things should be changed. God calls the canvassers back to their work. He calls for volunteers who will put all their energies and enlightenment into the work, helping wherever there is opportunity. The Master calls for everyone to do the part given him, according to his ability."

This quotation is a mighty appeal to "everyone to do the part given him." The Southwestern Union Conference needs colporteurs who will attend the institutes as listed elsewhere in this paper, and definitely prepare for a part in the canvassing fields.
E. H. ABBOTT.

A Wonderful Work

ANSWERING an invitation to contribute a short article concerning the colporteur work, I gladly accept but do not find words to give expression to my appreciation of this great and important department of the denominational organization. However, when I pause for a brief survey of the colporteur work locally I can see, not only excellent, yea marvelous results, but many as yet unimproved opportunities, that if improved would

mean much toward making a "short work in the earth."

The printed page as a silent messenger, yet undaunted by persecution and unconquered by foes, goes forward in the work of giving the message to every nation, kindred and tongue with never failing results. The colporteur going from door to door often makes sacrifices, but he is sure to be rewarded abundantly for his untiring efforts, because the few or many volumes he leaves will find record in the Book of Life, though in some instances he may never know until he meets souls in the kingdom of God who will be there through his instrumentality.

True enough the present year has been a great disappointment to many of the colporteurs, from a financial standpoint, but many are the disappointments in other lines of financial activity, and the colporteur work still offers golden opportunities in financial as well as spiritual lines.

W. H. CLARK.

The Colporteur as Heaven's Bell Ringer—Influence of Same

THE TIME has come when a large work should be done by the canvassers. The world is asleep, and as watchmen they are to ring the warning bell to awake the sleepers to their danger. The churches know not the time of their visitation. Often they can best learn the truth through the efforts of the canvasser." Testimonies Vol. 6:315.

What a wonderful thing it is to be connected with heavenly agencies in such a definite way as the one mentioned above, for here we see that the faithful canvasser is to ring the bells of heaven to awaken the sleeping world to a knowledge of the hour in which we live.

Then the promise to those who go forth to this sacred and holy work will set in operation a wave of influence which never stops until it reaches into the fields beyond, as is shown by the following: "Let canvassers go forth with the word of the Lord, remembering that those who obey the commandments, and teach others to obey them, will be rewarded by seeing souls converted, and one soul truly converted will bring others to Christ. Thus the work will advance into new territory." Testimonies Vol. 6 page 315.

We also see by the above that the

literature ministers will be rewarded by seeing souls saved while they are working here. This has been demonstrated again and again in our field, for we have companies who have been brought to a knowledge of the message almost entirely by the colporteur. If we had anything like the increased number of such workers as are called for in the Testimonies, what could be accomplished?

Shall we not all join in a responsive prayer to the tender appeal of the Master who said, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that he will send laborers into the harvest?"

E. T. WILSON.

The Colporteur in South Texas

THE Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Psalms 68:11. The margin states that "great was the army of those that published the word of God." We here in South Texas are very anxious that we have a great army of young men and women to do this work in our field. We are very happy indeed over the good records which have been made by our regular colporteurs so far this year, and we are optimistic enough to believe that after our colporteurs' institute, which will be held in San Antonio for ten days beginning December 28, that we will have a large army of men and women carrying the glad tidings of a dead and risen Saviour in the form of the printed page to this world. In Testimonies volume 9, page 61, we read "The world is to receive the light of the truth through an evangelizing ministry from the Word in our books and periodicals. Our publications are to show that the end of all things is at hand. Our publications are filled with truth and must go to all the world." On page 62 we read the following: "Our publications must go everywhere. Let them be issued in many languages. The third angel's message is to be given through this medium and through the living teacher. The cause of truth is to go forth as a lamp that burneth."

G. F. EICHMAN.

An Efficient Agency

THE distribution of literature has been one of the most effective agencies in carrying the gospel to the world. The invention of print-

ing, coming as it did, about the time that Luther began his great reformation, was an event of the greatest importance to the world. It was an evidence of God's providential ordering affairs for the doing of His work. The wonderful reformation which followed could apparently never have been accomplished without the agency of the press.

So it has been in our own work. None of us can doubt for a moment that the means developed among us for the circulation of the printed page has been signally used of God for the more rapid extension of the message. Seeing, then, that God is so wonderfully using this agency for the doing of His work, we ought to consider the circulation of truth-filled literature a sacred, holy calling, worthy of the best efforts of the most capable among us.

Gospel canvassing is not a "job", at which we may work when there is nothing else in sight to do as a means of earning a living. It is not something which we can offer to those whom we might judge unfitted to do other work. We are told that colporteurs should be selected as carefully as are candidates for the ministry. While consecrated men of humble gifts may enter this work and be blessed of God with success, they should find it a real school, in which, through diligent effort at self-improvement, they will see their talents and abilities developing until they become strong and efficient workers in the cause of God.

A truly converted colporteur, faithful to his mission, is an instrument of God. What a wonderful privilege that is! To be accompanied on our way as we enter home after home, by the angels of Heaven, who through us minister truth and salvation to needy souls, is a calling full of inspiration to those who will consecrate themselves to the task.

F. L. PERRY.

Our Gideon Band in Arkansas

IF WE have a Gideon Band in Arkansas, it is our band of colporteurs. I don't suppose we ever faced such a serious situation before in the history of this state. In spite of the adverse circumstances that our colporteurs faced this year, they have stood true to the work through hardships; but after all I think they are better off than many others who

worked on the farm or elsewhere.

This is evidence to my mind that these dear workers do not enter this line of work for the money that might be had, but for the love of the work. They believe that the Lord has called them to it and they are greatly blessed in the Master's service.

Hard times will not drive the called colporteurs from the field any more than the stoning of the apostle Paul made him give up the ministry. The great apostle was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision. The genuine colporteur will be true to the heavenly vision also.

R. P. MONTGOMERY.

A Call to Consecration

WHEN Christ called twelve men about him through whom he was to found the Christian church, he offered them no flattering prospects in this life. There was no stipulation as to what they were to receive. He said to Matthew as he sat at the receipt of custom, "Follow me. And he arose, and followed Him." Without question or hesitation he followed Jesus. We have no record of his telling the other disciples of the great sacrifice he made for Jesus in giving up his salary in the employment of the Roman government. It was enough for him that he was to be with Jesus and unite with him in his work.

It was the same with the other disciples. Some of them had friends dependent upon them for support, but when the call came they did not hesitate, nor ask, how shall I live and sustain my family? They made their living sacrifice. After seeing service on the front, Jesus asked them, (Luke 22:35) at the next institute, "When I sent you without purse and script and shoes, lacked ye any thing?" And they said, "Nothing." Such was the consecration necessary to establish the Christian church. Anything short of this is unworthy of His love.

You will find in this special number of the RECORD Christ's call to His people at this time. A number have already responded like Matthew and Peter and John did, but the servant of the Lord has told us that, "Many whom the Lord could use will not hear and obey His voice above all others. Kindred and friends, former habits and associations, have so strong an influence upon them that God can give them but little instruction." Gospel Workers page 14.

These times demand greater efficiency and deeper consecration, if possible, than was required of the apostles of old. Those who do not have this consecration and faith cannot expect God to work miracles in their behalf. The apostolic church was established amid mighty demonstrations of power, and as we are nearing the end we should expect nothing less than the disciples witnessed.

The North Texas Conference, with its over two million population, needs about twenty-five new colporteurs to attend the coming institute in Dallas, January 15-25. "I have been instructed that the canvassing work is to be revived, and that it is to be carried forward with increasing success." C. E. p. 35. Who will go forth now with our publications? I will be glad to hear from any who are interested in attending our institute.

C. F. KINDER.

"A Call for More Workers"

GOD calls the canvassers back to their work, helping wherever there is opportunity. The Master calls for everyone to do the part given him according to his ability. Who will respond to the call?"

When we read such quotations as this from the "Colporteur Evangelist" along with the statement where it says "There is only one where there should be one hundred Many are making a great mistake in not putting their talents to use in seeking to save the souls of their fellow men. Hundreds of men should be engaged in carrying the light all through our cities, villages and towns," we cannot help but conclude that there should be many more of our people engaged in the colporteur work than there are at the present time.

Then, too, that is conclusive evidence that the Lord is calling many from among our ranks to enter this work who are not engaged in the colporteur work. When we see how conditions in the world are shaping themselves in a way that it is almost impossible for many of our brethren to find employment in the world whereby they may gain a livelihood, we can reasonably conclude that the Lord is permitting just such work. The Lord has told us that all the silver and gold are his, and we know that there is just as much gold and

silver in the world today as there ever has been, and the Lord can impress hearts to separate from it now just as easy as he ever could.

The faithful colporteurs who are putting in full time are having wonderful experiences as well as success in a financial way. The colporteur work will afford you a splendid opportunity to enjoy like experiences. Give it your most serious thought and if the Lord is calling you to that work, answer the call before it is too late.

R. R. COBLE.

At Such a Time as This

"WHO knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" Esther 4:14, last part.

Esther was faithful to her duty; she saved not only her life and that of Mordecai, but her whole nation. She felt happy and rewarded for her efforts.

Today the nation is in peril seeking deliverance, not from plots and political schemes by some human as that of Haman, but from plots and schemes of Satan. Many are victims of Satan as was the case of Mordecai. Their deliverance from sin and their eternal life depends on whether you, myself, and every other member are willing to go forth to deliver them this truth which the Lord desires every human to know and practice.

Thinking of the past, many have fallen asleep without a knowledge of the truth, but somehow in God's plan you and I happen to have this wonderful deliverance. Who knoweth whether we have it for such a time as this? Had Esther failed to put forth her efforts to deliver her people she herself would have lost her life. How can we expect to be saved when it is in our power to deliver others who are less fortunate than we, unless we go forth to deliver others?

Women, men, both young and old, consider the time. We have an Institute in Oklahoma City January 4 to 14 and we need many there to train for this work. Please write the field secretary and he will be glad to help you. The institute is run at a heavy expense to the Book and Bible house to train you and others to do God's work. Those who work as much as 440 hours faithful time will have their expenses paid to and from the institute, provided they start work at

one word about this truth, many of once. Write the field secretary early, so that arrangements can be made for you.

C. M. NORMAN.

Texico Colporteurs

THE colporteurs of Texico seem to somehow be realizing the fact that the present conditions which we are facing are omens of the end, and that we are now entering the final strenuous times during which the work will be finished, and the Lord return.

We have long looked forward to this time, and talked of the struggles of the last days, but when we see the actual thing coming it makes us shudder. Who knows how quickly the present economic, financial, and political world can be thrown into chaos? With faith in the Word of God already largely undermined, through modernism and evolution, it is no wonder the Saviour, looking down through the ages, exclaimed "When the Son of Man cometh shall He find faith on the earth?"

We are told that we will have to do under the most trying circumstances the work we have failed to do in times of comparative ease and prosperity. Our colporteurs are buckling on the Christian armour, and are taking hold of the work as though they meant business. Their letters are surely a source of courage. Never have I seen colporteurs more surrendered to God, and having a better Christian experience than now, and God is blessing. Our need today is for more men and women who will now lay all on the altar, willing to be used as God sees fit. The work will soon be finished. This is the eleventh hour call. The need in the field is God's call to you, my brother. Plan now for our colporteur institute January 25 to February 4. Write me your desire to enter the work.

W. K. KINDER.

Hard Work Ahead

COURAGE and perseverance is what we need just at this time in Arkansas. This is no time for discouragement, but on the other hand we need to be "strong and very courageous." With the Spirit of God within us and a longing desire to see others saved, even the wrath of Satan will be overcome and victory will be ours.

Our loyal band of colporteurs have expressed themselves almost to a man as being willing to continue the battle regardless of seeming difficulties confronting them.

"Pray and work, and work and pray" is what it will take to succeed. Hard work and plenty of it will win, mixed with the inspiration that comes only with fervent prayer. The Lord will lead us on to victory if we will put our trust in Him who never fails.

We are planning on keeping up the good fight till it is finished, and may we all be found doing our best when the work is finished and the last book has been sold. We need and solicit the prayers of all our people.

C. N. YOUNG.

SOUTHWESTERN UNION
COLPORTEUR INSTITUTES

SOUTH TEXAS...Dec. 28—Jan. 6
R. R. Coble, *Field Miss'y Sec'y*
917 So. Presa Street,
San Antonio, Texas

OKLAHOMA Jan. 4—13
C. M. Norman, *Field Miss'y Sec'y*
Box 1077
Oklahoma, City, Okla.

NORTH TEXAS Jan. 15—25
C. L. Kinder, *Field Miss'y Sec'y*
2900 Live Oak Street, Dallas, Texas

TEXICO Jan. 25—Feb. 3
W. L. Kinder, *Field Miss'y Sec.*
Box 188
Clovis, New Mexico

ARKANSAS Mar. 12—22
C. N. Young, *Field Miss'y Sec'y*
1215 Marshall Street,
Little Rock, Ark.

Our Work

OUR work is to warn all nations and tongues and peoples of the things which are right upon us. How are we going to do it? Will not the press be the real agent? But it is not the printing of this truth that will enlighten the people; getting our papers and books properly before them is what will do the work and clear us in the judgment. O, that we could sense this as keenly as we ought! True, we have already done much in this direction, and all around us we see fruits of our labors; but are there not scores of men among us who could devote their lives to this work?

As I look over the world and see the thousands who have never heard

whom would purchase and read our publications and be saved by the truth they contain if someone would only take this literature to them, I wonder if the Lord will save those who might do such work but remain idle.

A. G. DANIELLS.

Union Conference News Notes

Elder Van Kirk spent last Sabbath with the church in Fort Smith, Arkansas. The first part of the week, he met with the Oklahoma Conference committee as they discussed some of their problems.

Brother Wagner spent the Sabbath with the Ardmore church speaking at the eleven o'clock service, and also in the Young People's meeting that afternoon. He is planning an institute for the field secretaries to be held at Keene, December 1 to 3. Unfortunately Brother Wagner sprained his knee as he was boarding a train, and is obliged to walk with a cane for a while.

The Texico Conference is enjoying the help of Elder Benton in their harvest Ingathering work. He will remain there a few days longer.

Over the week-end, Professor von Pohle visited the schools at Addington and Duncan, and spoke in the church at Duncan on Sabbath. He reports that he finds the schools progressing nicely. The churches are having a hard time financing them, but surely the faithfulness and sacrificing will prove a great blessing.

Elder Castle has visited the Spanish school for a day or so, going over their books and assisting Elder Staben a bit.

Elder Eichman, president of the South Texas Conference, was a visitor in the union office a day or two this week.

South Texas Notes

Elder H. J. Miller, secretary of the Negro Department of the Southwestern Union Conference, has been assisting Elder W. S. North in a series of meeting in the San Antonio, (Colored) church. They have also been engaged in the Harvest Ingathering work and are encouraged to continue in the good work and help the church reach its goal.

Elder G. F. Eichman, our conference president, spent a few days in Oklahoma and New Mexico last week on business.

The San Antonio singing band has been doing real well in the Harvest Ingathering work and plans to continue raising money through this medium until the close of the year. One home happened to be missed by the solicitors, but the people were so anxious to give that they sent a dollar bill out to the singers. There are many people just as anxious to help in the mission work. Let us put forth every effort on our part and gather in the much-needed funds.

Oklahoma News Items

The conference committee was in session all day Monday and Monday evening. All members were present. All available workers were invited to sit with the committee for the study of our financial program and it was found necessary to make a heavy reduction of conference workers' salaries. We fear it will work a hardship on some and we are hoping and praying that a faithful tithe will be paid by every member that this reduction may be restored in the near future.

Elder Gant is again in the office, having returned from Keene, where he spent the Week of Prayer with the student body. We rejoice to get the good report that thirty-three were baptized at the close of the meeting by the Bible teacher, Elder Miller.

No doubt many have read of the destructive cyclone at Bethany and have been wondering if any of our people were injured or suffered loss. We are glad to report that not one was in the path of the storm though several were very close to it.

Elder Beddoe spent Sabbath with the Guthrie church. Elder Clark remained with the Oklahoma City church for the Investment program and also assisted in the Missionary Volunteer program in the afternoon.

Brethren Abbot, of the Southern Publishing Ass'n Branch, and Wagner of the union, have recently visited a number of places in the Oklahoma Conference with Brother Norman in the interest of the Home Workers' program. A goodly number are now engaged in the work of selling for Christmas delivery.

A letter from Elder Hodge reports that the work among the colored at Muskogee, Tulsa and Sapulpa is progressing though slowly because of straitened financial conditions. At

all three places they are still going forward in Harvest Ingathering work. He also tells of a good record made by one of their junior members, Miss Juliet Gary, in the Harvest Ingathering work this year. She has raised ten dollars by her own soliciting. That is a good accomplishment, and a good example not only for juniors but many adults as well. For if we all had done at least that much we would have made a wonderful record.

Honor Roll of those having raised more than one hundred dollars in the Harvest Ingathering campaign this year:

J. A. Wasenmiller	\$360.50
W. H. Clark	328.97
C. C. Voth	246.00
B. E. Bridewell	190.81
George Loewen	152.50
W. L. Nott	145.00
Lowell Estes	135.00
R. E. Loudon	115.00
M. B. Van Kirk	102.50
C. E. Riffel	102.00

Brethren Blehm, Voth, and Haffner of Omega and East Cooper made the office a pleasant call.

North Texas Institute January 15—25 Dallas, Texas

ALL WHO are interested in the colporteur work in North Texas take notice! Our institute date has been set for January 15—25. The first meeting will be Thursday evening at 7:30. It is very important that every one who expects to canvass be there.

We are very fortunate in having with us for this institute Elder J. A. P. Green from the General Conference, also Elder B. E. Wagner our union field secretary will be here.

Let us start the new year right. I want to see three or four regular colporteurs win the \$200.00 bonus above the regular commission. It takes a full year's work to make it. To do this you should begin work the first day of January and work two weeks before the institute. A little experience before institute will help you to profit more by the instruction given.

If you are thinking of taking up this work but have not as yet decided definitely I will be glad to hear from you.

C. F. KINDER.

Maple wood possesses the same degree of resistance to abrasion as does marble, according to recent tests.

Missionary Volunteer News Notes

The Keene Young People's Society is nearing its \$1,000 goal. They have over \$800 already.

The Dalworth juniors are assisting the senior society in the Harvest Ingathering singing band.

The Dalworth Young People's Society is rendering a Thanksgiving program in their church. They have invited the neighboring societies. That shows a good spirit of Thanksgiving.

Are you taking good care of your society banner? It is an inspiration to have them before the Young People.

The reports for the Week of Sacrifice from the young people in our schools are coming in already. They are encouraging.

Twenty-eight young people were baptized at the close of the Week of Prayer at Southwestern Junior College. In addition to these five were re-baptized.

The Dallas Society has over \$150 on their goal for Harvest Ingathering.

One of the students of Southern California Junior College received fifty dollars in response to one solicitation.

The Church School Teacher— No 2

NEATNESS

As we step into the school room we find little bits of paper all over the floor. The children have many unnecessary things piled on the desk. They saw the teacher's desk and copied after it. As we investigate the desks underneath, they resemble the inside of the teacher's desk drawers. We find reflections of this on the school yard. And we come to the conclusion this school lacks greatly in neatness.

The object of education is to develop character, and neatness is a very essential in character building. It is even necessary to do the highest type of literary work.

There is no reason for all kinds of paper flying around in the school yard. Have the children clean it up. It is good physiology recitation. Pupils should be taught not to leave little bits of paper lying around their desks. And even the top of the desk should be kept neat.

All of this will have influence on the child's dress, the hair will be

brushed, the finger nails will be cleaned, etc. The pupil will get it from you as teacher. Neatness in dress, neatness in the things on your desk and in your desk and in the library is the child's example of your neatness. Are you teaching them neatness?

A. F. RUF.

The Solution of the Crisis

SELL that thou hast and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven." Matthew 19:21. These words of Christ should ring in the ears of every Seventh-day Adventist today. With the great shortage of funds that threatens the calling home of the missionary, and the laborer in the home land, all foretelling signs fulfilled and fulfilling, with the threat of the wandering Sabbath, peace and safety two years old, it having been ninety-seven years since the stars fell, the church having reached the Laodicean prophecy, many of the bright stars already gone out, the world as it was in the days of Noah, and of Sodom. Some Adventists still have an overload of this world's goods that is taking away, and has already taken, their spirit of the first love. I would advise everyone to listen to the voice of Jesus Christ crying today "Sell" that thou hast, come and follow me. "The Son of Man hath not where to lay his head". "I go to my Father to whom belongeth, all things. I go to prepare a place for you." We must lose this world if we would live with Him. Take heed to yourselves lest your heart be overcharged with the cares of this life and that day come on you unaware, unprepared, unready. What profit will that land, those houses, money in the bank, useless furniture, and the like be?

We have been expecting the time to come when we cannot buy or sell. Let every one sell while we can. The Lord is opening the way now. Pray and ask, and you will understand your own duty. Soon our schools, hospitals, and all must go but the gospel must continue to the end. "And this gospel shall be preached in all the world for a witness . . . then shall the end come," and "behold, I come quickly and my reward is with me to give every one according as his work shall be." (At that time.)

Do we believe the prophecies? If we do we must expect that the end of all things is at hand. Are we

ready? Whether we are or are not, the truth is still true.

A. K. WATKINS.

God Is in Control

A SOUTH American president issued a decree intended to close all Seventh-day Adventist school in his republic. This he did at the behest of the Roman clergy who were determined in this way to destroy the advance of this message in that Republic.

Not a school has been closed. The president who issued the decree is a prisoner awaiting trial before the revolutionary tribunal of the government which overthrew him. The clergy who instigated the decree face expulsion in view of a threatened law exiling all foreign priests from the country.

The schools of the country are being freed from priestly control. The demand of the new government is for complete separation of church and state. It is not safe or wise to oppose the truth of God. There has never been a time before in the history of this cause when so many doors are open as are now before us in this Republic.

God has given us favor with the leaders of the new government; has put down opposition against His cause; has defeated His enemies; has opened the hearts of the people to receive this message; has sent appeals by the score to us to begin work in new fields.

And all this just in time for the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering on December 27, to make it possible for us to go up and possess this Indian world of South America. As never before we appeal to you to make this the greatest of all offerings. It means more now than ever before.

God has shown what He will do, what His will is. Will you follow His opening providences?

CARLYLE B. HAYNES.

Of Interest to You

THERE is so much promotion material appearing in the columns of the RECORD every week, all of which is important in the spread of the message, that we often look upon it all as just an advertisement of this, that or the other.

Almost all of that which is offered

us in this way to assist in giving the truth to the people is for grown-ups, but occasionally something is offered the juniors. I have received a copy of the No-Tobacco *Little Friend* which is dated November 28, 1930. It is a splendid little paper, and every junior should be interested in its circulation.

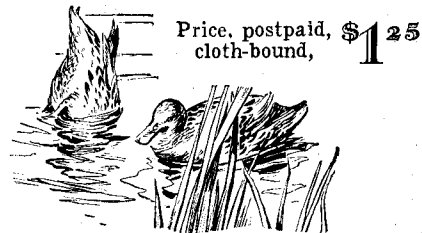
It does not cost much, only \$2.00 a hundred, so that where juniors do not want to try to sell it, they can purchase some and give them to their friends where they will be read. Every boy and girl in the land should have an opportunity to read this paper, for it may mean the difference between a clean life and a wrecked one to them. Do your best with it, Juniors.

C. N. W.

THE MALLARDS and Their Neighbors

NEIL WAYNE NORTHY

IN THIS BOOK is told the story of the Little Wild Creatures that prefer to live near water. While flying northward, Mr. Mallard was shot in the wing, and that was why the Mallards stopped on the Old Homestead. Mrs. Mallard discovered a Sheltered Little Cove at the Duck Pond, and decided to start housekeeping. In a little while Redwing the Blackbird, Longlegs the Heron, Shoveler the Spoonbill, and many other Feathered Friends moved in. And there was Sharptoes the Duck Hawk, who tried to catch the Fluffy Ducklets. What do you suppose Bud Smith, who lived in the Grand Old House on the Old Homestead, did to the Fluffy Ducklets before they left for the Sunny Southland? This is volume two of "Old Homestead Tales." 180 pages fully illustrated with pen drawings and four full-color plates showing the Little Wild Folk in their natural colors.



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SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE

News Notes

At chapel on Monday President Kellogg talked about the Week of Sacrifice.

Walter Clouse returned to his home in Ketchum, Oklahoma, the first part of the week.

The Harvest Ingathering bands were out on Wednesday night. They received approximately \$85.00.

Violet Webb's father, mother, brother and sister visited her this past week.

The Normal Training School gave a Thanksgiving program in the chapel on Wednesday night.

Thelma McAlister of Houston visited her cousins, Lela and Ruby Wilburn, during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Ruby Putnam returned to her home in El Campo on Wednesday.

Professor Hall talked on the needs of China and of Africa at the chapel hour on Tuesday.

C. J. Dart, a former student, visited friends in Keene this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Draper and children visited their daughter, Estelle, on Thursday.

Mrs. Raymond Beem, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Beem, Nell and Kenneth Beem, and Ida Green visited friends in Keene during Thanksgiving week.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Gore are visiting Mrs. Gore's relatives Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Churchill.

Mrs. Ebner visited her son, Charles, part of last week.

At chapel on Wednesday Professor Ryden talked on Bolivia, Professor Dake on Rumania, and Miss Gilbert read some quotations from the Spirit of Prophecy.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder of Houston visited Edwin Virgin over the week-end.

Lorita Corwin and her mother visited in Keene on Thanksgiving.

The girls conducting morning worship in North Hall this past week were: Eunice Oldmeyer, Mary Wofford, Eulalia McDaniel, Alice Will, Mary Frakes, and Dorothea Weiland.

Cecil Smalley is in Keene again. He plans to stay and work until the second semester and then attend school.

At dinner on Thanksgiving the tables were all placed so as to make one large table. Lee Ellen Alexander gave a reading, Ouida and Her

Silver Shadows played, Professor Ryden played a violin solo, and Elizabeth Mosley gave a reading.

Mrs. P. M. Thompson visited the Sandefur family this past week.

J. W. Quinn, a former student, is visiting friends and relatives in Keene.

After dinner on Thursday President Kellogg presented the bronze tablet to Texico because of its having the largest increase in students for the school year 1929-30. The remainder of the afternoon was given to playing base ball, basket ball, tennis, and games on the campus.

The Woodworking Department has an exhibit of some of the things they having made this year, in the front hall of the college building.

Isabel and Vertis Williamson visited their parents in Dallas this week-end.

Jerrine Gage spent the week-end at her home in Dallas.

There is a squirrel cage containing four squirrels on the campus just back of the fish pond.

Wilma Atkins and Hazel Haines spent Thanksgiving at Miss Atkin's home in Fort Worth.

Evelyn Plemons spent the week-end at her home in Dalworth Park.

Wendell Wilson, of Falfurrias, having to leave his work in the mill because of physical reasons and a change in his program, is now driving the school bus and assisting in the service department. Wendell is doing good service and enjoying his new "position." It is rumored that his foot has a tendency to get heavy on the gas at times.

Dorothy Haggard and Lorene Pickney spent the week-end in Dallas.

Myrtle Mae Clark, a former student, visited friends in Keene over the week-end.

Mr. Eli Harper, a former student is visiting his mother, Mrs. Jennie Harper, and his sisters, Miss Maymie Harper, and Mrs. Adolph Allman.

Carl Grenz visited in Keene on Thursday.

Miss Edna Holub of Dallas and a former student visited friends over the week-end.

Mrs. Jensen, Spear, Routt, and Dye visited Evalyn Ruth Jensen, Iva Ruth and Anita Spear, and Norbert Watts over the week-end.

Elder and Mrs. Hampton, of Houston, visited their son, Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Taylor, former students, who are now teaching church school at Houston, visited friends here last week.

Saturday evening there were games and marches in the dining room which furnished an evening of enjoyment to the students.

Joe Karlick and Hubert Reed spent the week end in Ardmore at the home of Mr. Karlick.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry of Houston visited their son, Isaac, this past week-end.

The Christmas vacation will begin the 18th of December and last until the 29th.

The Harvest Ingathering fund for the school has exceeded \$800.00.

Mr. Selby is visiting his family this week.

Wayne Whitfield, William Carter, Wendell Wilson, and Ralph Brown went to Fort Worth over Sabbath.

A Thanksgiving Improvement Club program was presented in West Hall at evening worship on Thursday evening. Roy Howard gave a talk on "Being Thankful." The Junior quartet rendered two numbers. Hubert Reed gave a reading "The One-Legged Goose." Wayne Whitfield gave a short talk to encourage the Week of Sacrifice goal.

Mrs. Thomas Jensen presented a beautiful bouquet to the dormitory where it stands on the parlor table.

The Junior Quartet serenaded the girls on Saturday night.

The Academic boys are about \$4.00 ahead of the College boys on their Sacrifice goal, but Professor Ryden expects the college boys to reach their goal on time.

Edwin Korgan visited the Sturdevants of Fort Worth over the week end.

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