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New Workers for Lake Grove Indian Mission

BROTHER and Sister W. T. Jones, of Sandia, Texas, have recently connected with our mission force. Brother Jones will act as business manager, and Sister Jones will teach the mission school. We welcome these new workers to our field. Let us remember them in our prayers, that they may be used of God in helping bring many Indian souls to a knowledge of the truth.

ORNO FOLLETT.

Harvest Ingathering Experience No. 1

MONDAY, August 3rd, the union committee and the local conference home missionary secretaries met in Dallas to study plans for the 1931 Harvest Ingathering work, and definite plans were laid for the conduct of the work throughout the entire field of the southwest. In addition to this meeting we have had workers' meetings in most of the conferences to study the work in the local field.

Conference presidents and workers are entering heartily into the effort this year with the full intention of making this the big thing during the time of the campaign which is six weeks. Word comes in that already beginnings have been made in some places and that equal success with last year obtains, which of course gives us all courage to go into the effort with hopes of large returns.

Each conference is being divided into districts with directors in charge, who in turn will organize the churches and isolated members in their districts for effective work. Each district will be assigned a quota

by the conference committee and this quota will again be divided among the churches and isolated, and then directors and church boards will study the re-division of the church quota among the members. Some members can easily raise \$100.00, while some may not raise more than \$10.00. If every member accepts the suggested quota as given by the church boards and directors, we will actually raise the entire \$60,000 which the General Conference Mission Board is asking our union to raise. The need is more urgent this year than ever before, so when the call and the assignment comes to you please follow our slogan, "Don't put it off, Put it on." R. L. BENTON.

Missionary Volunteer Interests

NEVER has there been a time in the history of this movement fraught with such momentous significance for our young people as the present hour. Social and religious disturbances and moral laxity are becoming more and more pronounced in the world. They are insidiously molding the thought of our youth, and many are not properly fortified to resist this worldly pressure. They are in constant danger of being swept away by worldly influences as expressed in the following message:

"Satan makes special efforts to lead them (young people) to find happiness in worldly amusements, and to justify themselves by endeavoring to show that these amusements are harmless, innocent, and even important for health. He presents the path of holiness as difficult, while the paths of worldly pleasure are strewn with flowers."—*Messages to Young People*, p. 367.

THE CHURCH HAS A RESPONSIBILITY

In the face of these conditions, the Lord calls upon every church and every Christian to be vigilant in behalf of the youth. "Every Christian should labor to press back the tide of evil, and save the youth from the influences that would sweep them down to ruin. May God help us to

press our way against the current."—*Counsels to Teachers*, p. 544.

The following message from the Spirit of prophecy comes to the church as a direct rebuke: "Altogether too little attention has been given our children and youth. The older members of the church have not locked upon them with tenderness and sympathy, desiring that they might be advanced in the divine life, and the Christian life as they should have done." This timely rebuke to the church is repeated in the following question—a challenge to all—"Shall the youth be left to drift hither and thither, to become discouraged, and to fall into the temptations that are everywhere lurking to catch the unwary feet?"—*Testimonies*, Vol. VI, p. 169.

ASSIST THE YOUTH IN FORTIFYING SELF

It has been the sincere purpose of the Missionary Volunteer Department from its very beginning to promote those features so essential in fortifying the youth against worldly influences, to prepare their lives to stand against the increasing allurements of the world. The prayerful, diligent and systematic reading of God's Word as suggested by the *Bible Year* plan, and the storing up of divine promises in the heart by daily meditation as suggested in the *Morning Watch* plan, are proving to be a blessing to thousands of our young men and women the world over. They prepare the youth to better resist the wiles of the devil. "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." This always has been God's plan in fortifying the human heart against temptation. And this is the Lord's plan for our youth, as expressed in the following: "Let the youth then be taught to give close study to the Word of God. Received into the soul, it will prove a mighty barricade against temptation."—*Education*, p. 190.

How important it is that the youth be encouraged to read good whole-some books, for we are plainly told

that, "Satan knows that to a great degree the mind is affected by that upon which it feeds."—*Messages to Young People*, p. 127. This has been fully sensed, and as a result the *Reading Course* plan—including the Testimonies Reading Course—has been launched for the benefit of the youth. This plan provides good wholesome books for the young people and children. The youth who already observe these plans need our hearty support; and those who are not observing them should be encouraged to join the ever-widening circle of Seventh-day Adventist young people the world over, who are daily fortifying their souls against the increasing temptations of the world.

Should not every conference, every church, and every member put forth the supreme effort now to provide the best for the lambs of the flock? In the last message written by the servant of the Lord to the young people, the following earnest appeal is made: "Now is our time and opportunity to labor for the young people. Tell them that we are now in a perilous crisis and we want to know how to discern true godliness. Our young people need to be helped, uplifted, and encouraged, but in the right manner."—*Messages to Young People*, p. 287.

D. A. OCHS,
Associate Secretary General Conference
Missionary Volunteer Dept.

A Watchman Experience

ONE day nearly five years ago one of our magazine workers sold a copy of the August *Watchman* to a little elderly lady in Rochester, New York. A little later she wrote the office sending her subscription and telling of her experience. She said, "I am delighted with the *Watchman*. I was hungry for such present truths."

For several years she kept reading the *Watchman* and last fall, (Nov. 24, 1930) another letter came addressed to the editor from this lady renewing her subscription and enclosing \$5.00 for missions. The letter, written in a cramped, shaky hand, said, "This offering is not much, but it will help a little. We haven't any of this world's goods, but there are only my two daughters and myself. I am so thankful for *The Watchman*. I have had so much

light on my Bible since I have been reading it. I am thankful that it ever came to my notice. Waiting to see the King in His beauty, I am sincerely yours, Mrs. S. McDonald." And then was added a post script, "I hand the *Watchman* to others when I have read it."

When this letter came we thought it was about time someone took a personal hand in the affair, so a copy of her letter was forwarded to Elder Dailey, pastor of our Rochester church. It happened that Elder Earl Hackman, of the General Conference Home Missionary Department was in Rochester that day with Elder Scriven of the union department, so together they went to Mrs. McDonald's home with the pastor. In writing about the visit later, Elder Hackman said, "Mrs. McDonald received us kindly. Just as soon as we told her we represented *The Watchman Magazine* a broad smile appeared and without hesitation she invited us into the house. Needless to say, an appointment has been made for Bible studies and we believe that this woman with her family will accept the message."

L. L. SKINNER.

The World Is Sick

AT all times, at least 2,000,000 and probably many more of the people of the United States are disabled. It is hard to be complacent when we realize that 700,000 American citizens are tuberculous, and that mental and nervous disorders are increasing, so rapidly indeed that 1,000,000 boys and girls now in the schools will some day, if nothing intervenes to save them, find themselves in institutions for the mentally diseased.

In 1928 there were in the United States over 40,000 cases of smallpox, a disease that could have been eradicated long ago. In spite of our proved ability to control malaria, 700,000 persons annually are incapacitated by it. Although hookworm has been greatly reduced, thousands still suffer from it needlessly. A conservative estimate places the number of drug addicts at 100,000. Syphilis not only is responsible for paralysis, locomotor ataxia, and insanity among large groups of adults, but is being needlessly transmitted to children. If the average death rate found in surveys made in various places by

State health officers, the American Social Hygiene Association, and the United States Public Health Service are applicable to the country as a whole, there are nearly 1,000,000 cases of venereal disease under treatment by physicians on any one day. Even more disturbing is the fact that probably at least as many more persons thus afflicted are not being competently cared for, but are depending on self-treatment, drug store treatment, and the valueless, often harmful, ministrations of quacks. While infant mortality has been reduced, the rate is still shamefully high—sixty-eight to each 1,000 live births in 1929. The maternal death rate is not only higher than that of any other civilized country; it is higher than it was ten years ago.

Whether or not we can afford to pay for health, we do pay for sickness. The \$6,000,000 wage earners in the United States lose at least 250,000,000 work days per year; the 24,000,000 school children lose 170,000,000 school days per year. These figures, moreover, take into account only half the total population. Decreased wage-earning capacity due to illness costs us annually \$2,000,000,000. Permanently interrupted wage earning capacity, due to postponable deaths, is estimated to add an annual loss of \$6,000,000,000—*Constance Kent, a trained investigator and well-known writer on medical economics, in Current History Magazine, May, 1931.*

The Colossus of Big Business

Cause for exultation may be found in government statistics revealing the extraordinary industrial development of the nation. In 1910, the value of the output of all factories in this country was a meager \$20,672,000,000. The Census of 1930 shows, in contrast, an aggregate output valued at almost \$70,000,000,000, an increase in twenty years of roughly 250 per cent. The manufactured products of the South alone totaled half of what the production of the entire country was two decades ago!

Not less than sixteen industries have an annual output in excess of \$1,000,000,000. Six of these, indeed, are in the \$2,000,000,000 class. There are seventeen others producing goods worth \$500,000,000 or more.—*World's Work, April, 1931.*

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

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 Sec'y-Treas.—Ella Winn
 Arkansas Book and Bible House
 Sec'y-Treas.—Ella Winn

Arkansas News Notes

Brother Young is helping the colporteurs deliver books this week.

Brother Hanhardt is planning to make a trip to Los Angeles soon to bring his wife and daughter back. We shall be glad to see them again.

We are expecting Miss Winn back this week from her vacation. We are sure she has had an unusual vacation.

Sabbath at Texarkana Elder Coopwood baptized twenty-one as a result of the tent effort there this summer. Others are preparing for baptism later. The workers there plan to begin another series of meetings in another part of the city tonight. We are hopeful of raising up a colored church in Texarkana.

Elders Montgomery and Baker met with the Hope church to assist them in solving some of their problems. We are hopeful that a bright future is before the Hope church.

Harvest Ingathering! Let everybody *think* about it, *plan* for it, and *work* in it. We want to work harder in the ingathering than we have ever done before. So talk courage.

Our Duty and Privilege in the Harvest Ingathering

HARVEST Ingathering begins September 5. Some will begin before that date. This is a duty and a privilege to engage in this missionary work. Now why should we not face this task this year with good courage and cheer. You can never accomplish what you should if you go at a task with fear and foreboding in your heart. In this mood you are defeated at the very beginning. So let us talk courage and face our task like men and women who fear God and have faith in Him.

We are planning to give each church some help from the conference to organize the work and help get started. We expect all church elders to plan to lead out in a very strong way. All the other officers and members should co-operate in every way

possible to make the work succeed. So let us get into the swing of the Harvest Ingathering and make it the best we have had.

R. P. MONTGOMERY.

Harvest Ingathering in Arkansas

INFORMATION is just received in the office that our people have started the Harvest Ingathering work in several places. The singing bands here in Little Rock started their work Monday night and during an hour's work they collected \$7.70. This is fine. Good for the Little Rock folks. They have set us a good example by starting the Ingathering work early.

Our people seem to be very enthusiastic in doing all they can in the Harvest Ingathering work this year. We expect all of our churches to start early this year.

Let us pray that we will have great success and the Lord will bless our efforts.

W. H. HANHARDT.

A Word Concerning the Colored Work in Arkansas

ON Wednesday night, May 20, the Arkansas Chautauqua Tent Company, composed of Brother O. J. Trotter and wife, Sister Hattie J. Chatters and the writer, began our summer effort in the city of Texarkana, Texas, located in Sunset addition, on the corner of North and Buchanan Streets, a central location for our people of that section of the city.

From the very start our attendance was good. Entering into the third week on Saturday night, June 6, our tent was blown down by a storm, but by Sunday night the tent was repaired and re-pitched, and we were ready to go again. That night our attendance was the best we had had up until that time.

By this time the worldly ministers had gotten together and began a city-wide campaign against us which gave us some free advertising. They went to the city aldermen and council to have us put out of town, but failed in their efforts. They then made a house-to-house canvass, but our attendance increased, and the interest also. We carried our meetings on for about eight weeks before we presented the Sabbath question, giving ourselves plenty of time to lay a good

foundation for the presentation of the Sabbath.

On the night we spoke on the Sabbath there were fully two thousand five hundred people on the ground, colored and white. For a few nights our attendance fell off, which we expected, but they soon came back, and for the rest of the time our attendance was good.

The health and cooperation of the tent company was excellent which gives a reason for the good success of the effort. On Sabbath, August 15, we had our first baptismal service, at which time there were twenty-one baptized into this blessed truth. The youngest was sixteen and the oldest was seventy years old. There are just exactly that many more who have pledged to keep God's holy commandments who will be baptized about two weeks hence.

A few days ago our committee met and we decided that we should move our tent to another part and continue the meetings for about five or six weeks longer. We have already selected a site and plan to begin our second effort on Wednesday night, the 18th.

We regret very much that Sister Chatters cannot be with us in the next effort, but as she plans to teach this winter she has to return to her home in Marianna for a few weeks rest. Sister Chatters did excellent work as a Bible worker and in conducting the health department of our effort. We are glad to have Sister Coopwood join us for a few weeks for the next series of meetings.

We also appreciate the good visits of our union and local conference workers. During the time we have enjoyed visits from Elders Benton, Abbott, Montgomery, Hanhardt, Miss Ella Winn, and Elder Baker, pastor of our white church in this city.

In conclusion I will say that I have never met a more enthusiastic and earnest lot of Seventh-day Adventists than the new believers at Texarkana. We solicit the prayers of all of the brethren throughout the union conference, that the Lord will bless the next effort.

T. H. COOPWOOD.

"Character-building is the most important work ever entrusted to human beings; and never before was its diligent study so important as now. Never was any previous generation called to meet issues so momentous."

TEXICO CONFERENCE

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The Hagerman Meeting

ALTHOUGH we did not have anyone to represent the General Conference with us at Hagerman, we had a larger attendance at this meeting on account of being held where one of our largest churches is located, and near Roswell, so a goodly number from this church availed themselves of this good meeting.

The meeting was characterized by an earnestness on the part of both minister and people such as we have never seen. Many visitors from Hagerman, not of our faith, were in attendance every day, among them being the pastor of the Presbyterian church, who asked for one of our ministers to fill his pulpit on Sunday morning, and the brethren asked me to respond to this kind invitation.

Eleven precious souls were buried with their Lord by baptism on Sunday afternoon in a beautiful pool through which passes running water from a large artesian well. A good offering was received through the Sabbath school, and in the afternoon consecration service, a very liberal love gift was made to missions, in spite of the depressing times on in the world, all of which indicates that we are very near that "Goodly land and Lebanon."

This meeting was held in the high school auditorium, where the various churches conducted union Sunday night services, and we were asked to take charge of this meeting, and we in turn invited the local pastors to come upon the platform that evening and take part in the opening and closing exercises, and the one referred to above, who offered the evening prayer, asked for the privilege of saying a few words, which was granted.

This brother minister, not of our faith, expressed his deep appreciation for the privilege of becoming acquainted with the Adventist ministry, and went so far as to say that our meeting was the most important happening that had ever occurred in the religious history of Hagerman.

While this earnest man told us that it was his first opportunity to share the platform with the Adventist ministry, yet he had often desired to do so, but there seemed to be a line of demarcation between us that he was not able to understand. Then as he prayed he asked God to bless his Adventist brethren in the proclamation of their distinctive message to the world.

This meeting reminded us of what the servant of the Lord told us many years ago about showing ourselves friendly to the ministry of other denominations, for some of them would accept this precious message. We can not help believing that this good Presbyterian pastor has been very much effected by what he has heard during our meeting in his home town.

Now as we turn our faces to the great fields of the world, and enter upon the task of gathering funds for missions the next six or eight weeks, let us not forget that there are many "men of influence and means, weeping in the secret place," and you may be the very one to give some of these the opportunity to make gifts to God's cause at this time.

E. T. WILSON.

Texico News Notes

Wedding bells have been ringing recently in the Texico Conference, calling friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Evans to attend the beautiful little church wedding of their daughter, Miss Lila Jane, who was married to Dr. Gerald A. King in the Seventh-day Adventist church in El Paso, Tuesday evening, Aug. 18 at eight o'clock. Our conference president, Elder E. T. Wilson, officiated.

The church was beautifully and tastily decorated for the occasion; Miss Elsie Evans played the wedding March, and Mrs. Bertha Johnson sang an appropriate number. The bridal party and immediate relatives left the next day for Carlsbad Cavern, Doctor and Mrs. King going on to San Antonio, where the doctor will be connected with the Nix Hospital for the present. Congratulations to the King and Queen.

Elder Wilson is attending the last part of the Oklahoma camp meeting, and from there he will spend a day or so in his office, and then he will join Elder Nelson, and Brother Fol-

lett in a ten days camp meeting in the mountains near Gallup, or nearer still to El Morro, where Brother Jas. R. Ferguson lives, and has been doing self-supporting work among his neighbors. Three languages will be spoken at this meeting, English, Spanish, and Navajo.

We are glad to welcome teachers, doctors, and nurses to the Texico Conference, and we will be glad to keep in touch with such self-supporting laborers, and shall visit places where such are located as often as possible.

Let us all get ready to start the Ingathering work the first day of the campaign, and finish it up in six weeks at the most. What a fine thing it would be if everyone would take for his goal at least \$10.00 and reach it, and thus pass on to the Mission Board the largest amount in our history right in the face of depression.

Look Out!

THE walls are falling! Jericho's walls! If you don't believe it follow the experiences of our colporteurs. True, books can't be sold now, but they are selling them! Brother Chester Moore writes;

"Have just gotten in from work. So glad to get the News Letter. I have been working the town of Hamlin this week; think it will take probably two weeks longer to finish there. Surely have been having some hot weather, getting very dry, too, and crops are burning, but I feel that the Lord has blessed me in my work this week."

The walls of Jericho are coming down. In spite of the difficulties Brother Moore took \$73.75 worth of orders in Hamlin last week. The Lord can bring the walls down for you, too, if you will trust Him and step out in faith. He can and will part the Red Sea for you, too. He will remove, not every difficulty, for we must overcome them, but He will remove every impossibility, if we are fully surrendered to Him. Will you join our ranks?

W. L. KINDER.

A good insurance.—"The Lord knoweth the days of the upright; and their inheritance shall be forever. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time; and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied."

message, but we plan with the Lord's help to present the main ones and study personally with the people.

Pray with us that there may be fruit from these labors.

GLENMORE CARTER.

A Card of Thanks

WE take this opportunity of expressing our most sincere thanks to the church and friends of Keene for their kindness and assistance during our recent affliction.

MR AND MRS. H. E. CRANE.

Oak Cliff

THE tent effort in Dallas has come to a close. The big tent and the rest of the equipment has been stored away for another year. God has blessed not only in the giving of new souls to His church but in the reviving of some that have been careless. We praise His name for the blessings of the season.

Sabbath, the 15th of this month, a group of eleven persons followed their Lord in baptism, this being the first-fruits of the effort combined with the work of Sister Eder and others of the workers here in Dallas. Others are to follow at a later date and we are happy to see that God still has those that are willing to listen to His message in these troublous days. Truly, the time is at hand.

The interest held up remarkably well throughout the ten weeks and we plan on holding Sunday night meetings in the Dallas First church for a time at least. We have a number of people that we are visiting and holding Bible readings with and hope to see others from time to time take their stand with this people.

Pray for the work in the cities of the land, dear friends. The work in the cities has its problems that few really realize. It must be finished before the Lord comes. And how shall it ever be finished except by a united people, a people going forth with one objective, that of finishing the work in this generation? Shall we do it brethren?

WESLEY AMUNDSEN.

"It was not on the cross only that Christ sacrificed himself for humanity. As 'He went about doing good,' every day's experience was an outpouring of His life . . . Jesus lived in dependence upon God and communion with Him."

SOUTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

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Items of Interest About our Books

THIS last week I had two experiences in the field that were very good examples, showing how the Lord takes care of the truth-filled books after they are sold in the homes even though the purchaser doesn't appreciate them. But someone gets the literature that does appreciate it.

I was canvassing a Mexican man for Great Controversy and after I had finished my exhibition, he looked at the name of the author and said, "I believe I have a book by that author," and brought out Patriarchs and Prophets. I told him that Great Controversy was a companion book to that one and that he should have both of them. He liked Patriarchs and Prophets so well, and upon learning that this book was by the same author, ordered it at once. He then told me how it was that he came into possession of the book. He said that His mother was a very old lady and couldn't read. While living in the Rio Grande Valley someone was raffling off the book, Patriarchs and Prophets, and she bought a chance on it for twenty-five cents. There were two other parties who had chances on it but the first draw gave the book to his mother. Since the other parties were so desirous of the book, the owner decided to shuffle the chances and let them draw again. His mother was the lucky one again so they shuffled the numbers a third time and as she had the lucky number, the third time he gave her the book. She felt the book had a message in it for her family. This man being the only one in a large family of children that could read, naturally fell heir to the book. Because his mother had received it in such a remarkable way, and it being a present from her, he prizes the book very highly and feels that it was a God-send to him.

Some time ago I was canvassing with Obed Klein and we met a Baptist minister who had ordered Dan-

iel and Revelation from Obed the week before. In our conversation with him he seemed to be very free to recommend the book highly to some of his friends we were canvassing. Later as I was passing through the town I felt impressed to drive past and talk with him just a little bit. As it was on my way out of the city I followed my impressions. When I called he was studying his Bible. After I introduced myself to him he finally recognized who I was, and of course, we began to talk about the books and especially the one he had ordered. I then asked him if he had the book, Great Controversy. In reply he told me he did and how he happened to get it. There was a lady in the town who bought it but could get no sense out of it. She told the minister about it and after he examined it, found it was just the book he wanted. The lady told him that if he liked it she would sell it to him at a great reduction, so he bought it. The minister asked me if I didn't have some other book so I showed him a copy of Our Times and Their Meaning, and told him that was a book I carried with me to help me out when I was unexpectedly called upon to conduct some service, and always found it a real help to me. I read a few paragraphs from two or three chapters that dealt with some vital points of our faith for he knew that we were Seventh-day Adventists. In our conversation I asked him if he believed that angels appeared to men today in person as they did in Bible time. In reply he said, "I believe that they appear just like you appeared to me this morning for I have received wonderful help from our conversation." The climax of our conversation was that he ordered the book, "Our Times." This will make three of our good books that he will have in his library. So in spite of the fact that the prices have gone down to the bottom on cotton, we are finding people who are interested in our literature and who will buy. The thing that we must do is to work a little harder and with greater earnestness and search out the honest in heart.

R. R. COBLE.

"The first pupils of Jesus were chosen from the ranks of the common people. They were humble, unlettered men, these fishers of Galilee."

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

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North Texas News Notes

A baptism was celebrated in the Dallas church last Sabbath, eleven of those just coming into the church through the meetings held in Oak Cliff, thus signifying their intention to be faithful to the message heard.

L. R. Alexander, our conference secretary and treasurer, and family left Dallas on a well earned vacation last Sunday morning. It has been many years since he has taken a few days off from his regular work, and we hope that he will have a thoroughly enjoyable time while away. Those left at the office will do their best to care for the needs of the work during his absence.

Elder Watkins, our colored evangelist, accompanied by a new convert to the faith, spent two or three days attending the colored camp meeting at Guthrie, Oklahoma the past week. Elders Miller and Watkins recently closed a successful tent effort in Oak Cliff. A baptism will be held soon for the new believers.

Brother Amundsen and his helpers have taken down the tent used in the effort in Oak Cliff and are continuing the work in a personal way and through Sunday and Wednesday night meetings in the Dallas church.

A very enjoyable gathering was held at the home of L. R. Alexander in Dallas last week as a farewell to Elder Rubendall and family. They will not be forgotten by the Dallas church, among whom they have lived for several years.

Elder F. L. Perry made a flying trip to Jefferson last Tuesday to recover his car, which had been stolen while he was in attendance at the camp meeting there. Considerable damage was done to the car, but he is glad for its return.

Exchange of Workers

AT A recent meeting of our conference committee, it was voted to accept a recommendation of the union committee calling for an exchange of workers affecting four of the conferences. This recommenda-

tion provided that we should release Elder C. W. Rubendall, our home missionary and Sabbath school secretary, to go to Arkansas to take up department work there, and that Elder P. E. Van Landingham come to North Texas to engage in evangelistic work in our field. Our committee at the same time voted to place the department work carried by Elder Rubendall upon Elder Ruf, and to invite Elder Van Landingham to locate in Fort Worth.

In harmony with this plan Elder Rubendall is preparing to remove to his new field of labor. He has labored faithfully and well in his department work, and many throughout the field will miss his visits and his letters of encouragement. We feel sure that Arkansas will profit by his services. By this exchange, he is permitted to continue on in the department work of his choice and we reduce our department force and devote correspondingly more effort to city evangelistic efforts.

Hereafter Elder A. F. Ruf will care for the interests of the Home Missionary and Sabbath School Departments, as well as the work which he has formerly carried. It is not ideal for one man to look after so many lines of work, but in view of the small force of workers it is thought best to make this arrangement for the present.

F. L. PERRY.

North Texas Camp Meetings

WE HAVE had two especially good camp meetings. The meeting over at Jefferson will be long remembered by those who attended. The brethren had pitched a large tent on the school campus under the shade of some beautiful trees. This was neatly arranged and seated. The young peoples' and juniors' as well as the childrens' meetings were held in the various school rooms. All who came were very hospitably and kindly entertained in the various homes of the neighborhood. Almost every one were there for the first meeting Wednesday night and stayed for the last meeting on the Sunday night following. The morning devotional service as well as the day sessions were well attended, in marked contrast to many of our longer camp meetings.

Many came here who had not attended a camp meeting for years;

some had never had such a privilege. All of us came hungry to receive the blessing of God, and truly, He did visit His people. Elders Van Kirk, Benton, Ochs, Wagner, and Clark of Oklahoma, as well as others of our own field, brought spiritual messages from the Word that were greatly appreciated. The attendance on Sabbath was 317. The offering to missions in the Sabbath school was \$138.21. Several were baptized on Sunday afternoon. Practically all the conference expense in conducting the meeting was covered by evening offerings.

The following Wednesday evening a similar but larger meeting was held at Keene. Here the services were held in the church building; while the young people used the College chapel. Elder Van Kirk spent one day with us here, Elder Ochs of the General Conference was with us most of the time. Elder Vance Maloney of China was an appreciated helper in the meetings, and of course the brethren were glad to meet our own conference workers who did faithful service. The Sabbath attendance at Keene was 663 and the offering, \$244.15 cash \$128 in pledges.

These meetings have been a real source of spiritual help to our membership, and were held with very little expense to either the conference or any of the brethren.

F. L. PERRY.

Meetings At Aquilla, Texas

THOSE who were at the regional meeting at Keene recently and heard the urgent call from Aquilla for gospel meetings, will no doubt be glad to know that a two week's meeting has been started with these people and a strong interest is being shown.

My wife and I came up here from Waco. Thursday, the 20th, and held the first meeting that night. Although the meetings are being held in just a country tabernacle, at least 250 people were out and very attentive. Years ago meetings were held here and the truths presented then are still in the minds of many of these people.

We ask that our people throughout North Texas remember us here at Aquilla during these two weeks. Fourteen nights are not enough in which to present all the truths of this

The Signs of the Times and the Proposed Calendar

THREE million signatures of opposers to the revised calendar plan may be gathered among Signs readers and friends during September. The first issue in September will carry a strong article by a Signs editor, accompanied by a petition with ten places for signatures.

In the second issue will be reproduced the memorial to the League of Nations setting forth reasons why it should not adopt the proposed calendar. Again the petition appears with instructions as to using it in gathering names of ten opposers. Likewise, the next two issues in September will carry additional articles and the petition blank.

Many of our people, perhaps unable to go out with regular petitions, can effectively use this blank among their regular Signs readers and other friends near by.

Five Billions for Armament

The world expenditure on all arms is now nearly five billions of dollars yearly, an increase of about seventy per cent over that previous to the Great War.

We stand to-day with nearly 5,000,000 men actively under arms and 20,000,000 more in reserve. These vast forces, greatly exceeding those of the prewar period, still are to be demobilized, even though twelve years have passed since the Armistice was signed, because of fear and of inability of nations to cooperate in mutual reductions.—President Herbert Hoover, in address to International Chamber of Commerce, May 4, 1931.

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COLPORTEUR REPORTS

SOUTH TEXAS, TWO WEEKS ENDING AUG. 15, R. R. COBLE, Field Sec'y

| Name | Bk. | Hrs. | Ord. | Value | Helps | Total | Del. |
|------------------|-----|------|-------|----------|----------|-----------|-------|
| C. L. Chastine | DR | 40 | 23 | \$ 83.50 | \$ 18.00 | \$ 101.50 | ..... |
| S. L. Donley | BR | 42 | 14 | 77.00 | .25 | 77.25 | 5.75 |
| *Rafael de Luna | MH | 72 | 19 | 129.75 | 1.25 | 131.00 | ..... |
| *Jesse Crockett | BR | 40 | 14 | 71.50 | ..... | 71.50 | 6.50 |
| *Riley Williams | BR | 50 | 9 | 51.50 | ..... | 51.50 | ..... |
| M. Rodnique | MH | 42 | 6 | 30.50 | 2.15 | 32.65 | ..... |
| Wm. Robinson | BR | 14 | 4 | 22.00 | 3.00 | 25.00 | 11.50 |
| *Wm. McKenzie | OT | 50 | 6 | 24.00 | 7.00 | 31.00 | .75 |
| A. E. Goodman | OT | 33 | 18 | 63.00 | 18.00 | 81.00 | 2.50 |
| Alfonso Castillo | HLE | 24 | 1 | 5.00 | 1.85 | 6.85 | 10.35 |
| *Evelina Jensen | W | 53 | ..... | ..... | 12.90 | 12.90 | 12.90 |
| Maggie Scott | W | 35 | ..... | ..... | 9.00 | 9.00 | 9.00 |

Workers 12 495 114 557.75 73.40 631.15 59.25
*Two Weeks Report

TEXICO, WEEK ENDING AUGUST 15, W. L. KINDER, Field Secretary

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|-----------------|----|-----|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| *C. Moore | BR | 122 | 19 | 106.00 | 8.25 | 138.00 | 1.75 |
| Fred Moore | BR | 93 | 10 | 62.50 | 7.25 | 84.25 | 7.25 |
| **C. D. Colburn | GC | 51 | 3 | 16.50 | 8.75 | 25.25 | 10.00 |
| H. Uhrig | OT | 24 | 4 | 14.00 | 3.00 | 25.50 | 2.00 |
| R. B. Sheets | DR | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 41.75 |

Workers 5 300 36 199.00 74.00 273.00 62.75
*Report for three weeks
**Report for two weeks

NORTH TEXAS, WEEK ENDING AUG. 15, C. F. KINDER, Field Secretary

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|------------------|----|----|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| M. N. Grosvenor | BR | 40 | 2 | 18.50 | 35.50 | 54.00 | .25 |
| L. B. Smith | GC | 37 | | | 8.40 | 8.40 | 2.00 |
| C. L. Grandon | OD | 36 | 9 | 49.50 | 54.00 | 103.50 | |
| Olena Mae Nystel | BR | 17 | ..... | ..... | 1.00 | 1.00 | 33.70 |
| *Alene Bledsoe | BR | 17 | 8 | 8.75 | .25 | 9.00 | 3.25 |

Workers 5 147 19 76.75 99.15 175.90 39.20

GRAND TOTAL:

Workers 22 942 169 833.50 246.50 \$1079.15 161.20
*Two Weeks Report

SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE

S. W. J. C. News Notes

Doctor and Mrs. Leslie Butka and children, Ramona and Donald, recently returned missionaries from China, visited Mrs. Alice Ranson, Mrs. Dora Parkins and Del Laverne Parkins this past week. Mrs. Butka will be remembered as Irene Matison.

Marie Fulmore, Nellie Allen, Pauline Coker, and Ruth Carson con-

ducted the Sabbath School lesson study this past week.

Harold Hampton moved into the dormitory on Sunday night. He works in the Broom Factory.

At Culture Club on Tuesday evening Percy Saxon gave a reading, Arthur Paul and Nellie Allen gave current topics, and Lucia Prentice read, "Coals of Fire." Willard Johnson sang a solo and Lucius Butler gave a reading on the life of Napoleon.

A kitchenette has been installed in the boy's dormitory which will be opened for use when school begins.

The College Barn is being reshingled this week.

There was a reunion of old students at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yates on Sunday evening. The group consisted of people who attended school here from five to ten years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenmore Carter

were in Keene for a brief visit on Friday. They have begun their meetings at Aquilla with a very good attendance.

Luta Pilgreen went to Dalworth with Mr. and Mrs. Frisby and Frances to visit her sister Mrs. Guy Williamson.

Randall Eakes of Albuquerque, New Mexico, arrived in Keene on Monday to be with us during the coming year.

On Monday night there was a dining room-kitchen shower for Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ladd given on the porch of West Hall. After a miscellaneous program, Mr. Barney Stephens presented the newly married couple with the gifts of the faculty, friends, and students.

Robert Arnold of Oklahoma arrived in Keene on Monday to attend school this fall.

On Wednesday evening a group of young people gathered at Mrs. Chastain's apartment to celebrate the birthday of Maude McDonald and L. G. Small. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Woodall, Maude and Reba McDonald, Lucia Prentice, Lela and Ruby Wilburn, Marie and Naomi Fulmore, Roy Howard, L. G. Small, Lucius Butler, Walter Warner, Kenneth Beem, Johny Powell, and Harold Hampton.

The Broom Factory crew made 103 dozen brooms in the ten working hours on Monday, August 17. This is the most ever made in that shop in one day without working over time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Woodward and daughter, Mary, have been gone on a short vacation this past week.

Jewell, Alene, and Frances Chase are planning to be in school at S. W. J. C. this coming fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips spent the week-end in Fort Worth.

Hazel Strader went to Waurika to go with her parents to the Oklahoma camp meeting this past week.

Elder Nelsen of the Texico Conference spoke at Vespers on Friday night on "Confidence in the promises of God."

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Draper and children of Dallas visited Estelle on Wednesday of this past week.

Winona Casey made a short visit in Keene over the week-end.

President Kellogg returned Saturday morning from attending the Texico and Oklahoma camp meetings.

There was a moon light hike for

the students in Keene on Saturday night.

Professor J. L. Thompson has started his band practice already so it will not be hard to organize after school starts. Any one who plays some instrument is urged to come and join the band.

Doctor and Mrs. Leslie Butka and Mrs. Dora Parkins went to Dalworth Park and Fort Worth for brief visits on Saturday night and Sunday. The Butka's will spend part of the winter in Glendale, California, where some of their relatives live. They plan to return to China the first of the year.

Mrs. Carr has been ill this past week.

Carlton Blackburn made a short visit to his home in Blum, Texas, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stephens spent the past week visiting Mr. Stephens' parents in Beaumont, Texas.

Lauretta Wilcox went to Washington, D. C. this past week to complete her nurses' course.

Willis Benton has returned to Keene after spending most of the summer working in the wheat harvest.

Joe Haines of Enid, Oklahoma, spent two days visiting relatives and friends in Keene.

Gretchen Sedore and Vivian Sprague arrived Sunday afternoon from Ketchum, Oklahoma, to work in the Pecan Shellery until school starts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Belz returned from the Oklahoma camp meeting Sunday evening bringing Vivian Ellison and Alice Will back with them.

Professor Hall returned from his student campaign work for the summer on Sunday, bringing Maurine Branun of Ardmore, and Hattie and Elsie Stout of Billings, and Lawrence Hill.

Oklahoma Camp Meeting Report

SOUTHWESTERN Junior College is well represented at the Oklahoma campground. A quartette consisting of Messrs Donald Pohle Glenn Fillman, Branson Chrispens, and Clinton Pohle sang for the first Friday evening meeting, the Sabbath service of the following day, and in the afternoon.

Messrs Louis and Waldo Crane sang on two occasions. These numbers were well rendered. Misses

Harris and McDaniel, and Messrs Branson Chrispens and Hubert Reed sang for the evening meeting on Thursday just preceding the sermon by Elder Branson. Messrs Pohle, Reed, Sam and Branson Chrispens sang for the three o'clock hour on Wednesday when President Kellogg spoke.

Keene (keen) students may be seen on the grounds at any time. They are talking to friends about the good things and times at the school "where students learn to live." The president has just been talking with parents and interested students. Many are here who are planning definitely on being with us next year.

Now ye sons and daughters of Oklahoma, don't fail us this year. Let us roll up a full number for school work, manual labor, games on the campus, senior classes and all.

A. EARL HALL.

Campus Observations

WHAT is so full of meat as a nut? Where can better nuts be found than the pecans growing in this great Southwest? By the time the new crop comes in this fall, Southwestern Junior College girls will have picked out more than three car loads of pecans. More than seventy-five girls have been able to earn enough to help very materially in paying their school expenses. You would be interested to see how carefully the nuts are handled that they may be put on the market in the best sanitary condition. Mr. A. M. Woodall, superintendent of the pecan shellery, takes great pleasure in doing things right. The girls working under his direction are glad to cooperate.

As in each nut is wrapped up the possibility of a tree with its fruit, so in each girl is the possibility of full, rounded woman-hood with Christian fruitage. If a nut develops the best there is in it, it must have soil, sunshine and rain. If a girl aspires to great things she needs Christian associates and teachers, the sunshine of God's presence and the rain of the Holy Spirit. Southwestern Junior College is a good place to come for the right environment. Do not think that any who are here are perfect, but we have turned our faces toward the light and by God's grace we are walking in the right direction. Come, and walk with us. MRS. MORAN.