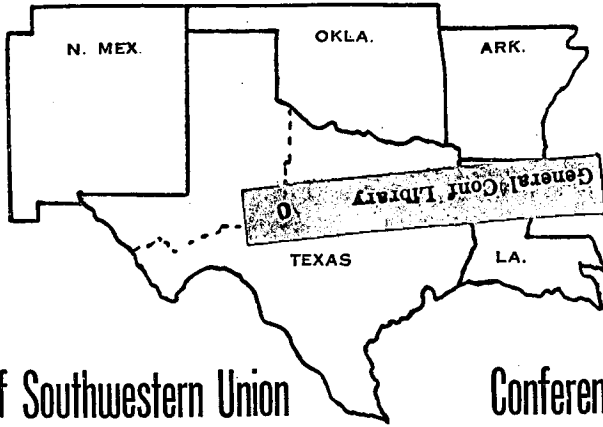


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Prayer and Fasting

IN THE minds of God's people prayer and fasting are generally associated with events of solemn importance. As we view conditions now prevailing in many lands we are compelled to recognize that events of unusual seriousness, and ominous in their ultimate outworking, are all about us. Blind indeed must be the eyes, heavy the ears, and dull of understanding the hearts that fail to comprehend the present hour as a period calling for such preparation of heart and consecration of life as to enable the followers of Christ to stand in the time of trouble soon to break upon a misguided world.

The annual Week of Prayer will be conducted throughout North America from December 7 to 14. This Week of Prayer should be a particularly solemn one as we think of the fearful conditions now affecting so many nations, as well as scores of thousands of our own fellow believers among these nations. By action of the Fall Council, recently held in St. Paul, Minnesota, it was voted that Sabbath, December 7th, the first Sabbath of the Week of Prayer, be set aside as a day of fasting and prayer. We feel that such action will meet with hearty and sincere response from our church members everywhere.

We take this opportunity of inviting such to unite with the ministry in setting aside this day for the purpose of supplicating the throne of God in behalf of our own personal needs of our own fellow believers, and like Daniel of old, in an hour of perplexity, set our faces "unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting." Dan. 9:3.

We trust and pray that not only shall this day be a day of great blessing, but that the whole period of this coming Week of Prayer shall prove to be a season of unusual joy in the Lord for us all.

W. G. TURNER,
Gen. Conf. Vice President for
North American Division.

Young People's Special of the Review and Herald

THIS unusual number of the *Review and Herald* will go into the field December 5. Its message will bring encouragement, and deepen the faith of mothers and fathers and youth who face the perplexities and problems of the first peace-time draft.

Youth needs to reach up its hand to God and to let Him lead in times like these. The message of this special number of the *Review* will be an inspiration. The price is 5 cents for single copies mailed to any address, or 3½ cents per copy in clubs of fifty or more mailed to one address.

ALFRED W. PETERSON,
Gen. Sec., Gen Conf. M. V.
Department.



SUNSET CALENDAR

For Friday, November 29, 1940

New Orleans, Louisiana	5:00
Little Rock, Arkansas	4:59
Shreveport, Louisiana	5:09
Muskogee, Oklahoma	5:08
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	5:17
Galveston, Texas	5:19
Dallas, Texas	5:21
San Antonio, Texas	5:34
El Paso, Texas	5:00
Santa Fe, New Mexico	4:50

Church Elections

WE ARE nearing the time when each church in the Texas Conference will be choosing its officers for the ensuing year. We believe this a very important responsibility that should be considered by each member of the church, and your interest should be shown by your sincere consecration to God and by your willingness to cooperate in the recommendations as outlined in our *Church Manual*.

We believe we should avoid every appearance of trying to follow the political methods of worldly organizations. Therefore, there should be no electioneering for positions. The Bible says, "In honor preferring one another." The elections should not be carried on hastily. Committees should take time to pray and let the Spirit of God lead in the selections. We are living in a wicked and covetous generation, and for this reason we should select men and women who are honest, and have a good report both within and without the church.

Plans for Selecting the Nominating Committee

1. Church boards can be authorized by vote of the church to nominate the nominating committee—such nominations to be voted by the church.

2. The nominating committee can be selected by nominations from the floor, the church voting on the names. No person should be permitted to nominate more than one person.

3. The chairman can be empowered to select the nominating committee.

Work of the Nominating Committee

Immediately following its selection the nominating committee should be called together by the one chosen to

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act as chairman. With earnest prayer for guidance, the committee should begin its work by preparing a list of names for the different officers to present to the church. In making these selections the committee should counsel with others who are well informed as to qualifications of members.

We believe that it is very important that all nominating committees consult the church pastor or district leader in the selection of candidates for office. His experience should be considered of real value in the selection of officers, and we believe the nominating committee would be wise if they would wait until he could join with them in their deliberations.

Qualifications Necessary

1. Moral fitness. "Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness." Ex. 18:21.

"Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business." Acts 6:3.

"And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." 2 Tim. 2:2.

2. *The Church Manual* says, "The elder himself should be a tithe payer. A man who fails to set an example in this matter should not be elected to the position of elder. All church officers should be tithe payers."

We believe it is imperative that we choose men and women to act as officers who are true to God in the matter of tithe. In other words, this is one qualification that should be a test of leadership. We invite each nominating committee to take a decided stand before any names are considered, to bar from any office those who are known to be unfaithful in this matter. It would be far wiser and in harmony with the counsel of God to choose someone with less talent who is faithful to God, rather than a person who is robbing the Lord of that which He claims as His. Your church treasurer can give you information as to those who are faithful. Remember the Bible injunction, "Be ye clean that bear the vessels of the Lord."

FRANK D. WELLS.

ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA

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PRESIDENT, I. C. POUND

SEC'Y-TREAS., O. J. BELL

Assist Your School

ELDER J. O. Wilson has been authorized by our conference committee to spend some time in soliciting funds for the further equipping of Ozark Junior Academy. We trust that every church and individual member called upon will count it a privilege to make an investment in this school project according to his ability to give. This institution is doing a splendid work for our youth, one hundred and thirty of whom have enrolled this year, sixty of these taking academic work. We must provide the equipment for properly conducting this school. The water system must be completed without delay, and a heating plant must be installed. Fifteen hundred dollars is needed now. Some have given again and again to provide what we already have in buildings, et cetera. They will continue to give, but it is only fair that the load should be shared by all, since the service rendered by this academy is proving a blessing to our entire field. Believing this to be a worthy cause, I shall do my

part, and trust you will find pleasure in doing likewise. I. C. POUND.

News Notes

Elder Pound spent several days of last week in visiting our scattered believers in northeastern Arkansas. Sixteen families were visited on this trip, requiring eight hundred miles of travel. Harrisburg, Jonesboro, McCormick, Pocahontas, Hardy, and Mountain Home were the principal towns visited en route. It is planned to enter this section of the field with a strong evangelistic work next year.

Brother Beeler and members of the Mt. Pleasant church have laid the foundation for their building, which they hope to have well on the way toward completion by the close of this year.

Our believers at Benton, Arkansas, recently purchased a well-located lot and store building, which is being remodeled into a church building. Elders Ross, Cash, and Pound are experiencing sore muscles from several days of hard work they put into this undertaking during the past week. Brother Bressie, one of our lay workers, is leading out in service in this place.

Word from Brother Kelsey tells of progress being made on the new church building at Hodge, Louisiana. It is expected that this building, also, will be ready for use by the close of this year.

Members of the Monroe church have, since their organization was effected, been meeting in lodge halls on the second or third story of a downtown building. Last week they took a step forward, looking toward a church home of their own, by purchasing a property, under private title, which will be converted into a chapel for our public services, and furnish living quarters for one family. We believe this move will greatly strengthen our work in that city.

Never before have so many building projects been in progress in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference as at the present time. Besides those mentioned above, the Shreveport church building is nearing completion. If we are correctly informed, the new building at Kinder, Louisiana, lacks but little of being finished. Our school building at New Orleans, while in service, is still in process of construction. Large im-

provements are being made at our Ozark Junior Academy, and the dedication of our New Orleans Italian church will be conducted on December 7, as the indebtedness on their property has been met. For these evidences of a growing work we are grateful to God for His blessing.

OKLAHOMA

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PRESIDENT, J. L. McCONAUGHEY

SEC'Y-TREAS., J. O. HANSON

Concerning New Officers

IN CONSIDERATION of your new officers for the coming year, 1941, we would urgently request that careful study be given to the Sabbath school and home missionary duties. Oftentimes we find that, especially when it comes to the Sabbath school secretary and the missionary secretary, not enough study is given to the selection of individuals for these offices. Let us choose the very best talent we can this year so that the conference can depend upon faithful reports from each church through these secretarial offices.

Then, for the responsibilities of Sabbath school superintendent and missionary leader, men and women should be chosen who have a burden for the different objectives of these departments and individuals who know the Lord as their personal Saviour.

Every church should choose a Dorcas Society leader even though there is not a society in the church at the present time. The Dorcas leader chosen should be invited to do everything she can to organize such a society in her church. In harmony with our conference president's suggestion, let us choose our new officers early this year so the conference can have its mailing list in order by January 1.

W. N. WITTENBERG.

Library "Watchman"

IT HAS been the plan of the Oklahoma Conference for a number of years to supply every library in the state of Oklahoma with our fine, full-message magazine, *The Watchman*. As the result of a recent inquiry made among our churches, we have found that it is accomplishing a splendid work in almost every community. One

sister wrote that a prominent minister in the city where she lives stated that he read the public library copy of the *Watchman* regularly, and that he believed every minister in the town did the same. As we visit around the state we find that the *Watchman* is usually well worn as a result of much use.

It is now time that we renew our subscription for the *Watchman* for our libraries in Oklahoma. There is no question in our minds but what our people are anxious to have this good missionary endeavor continued. Since it is really a home missionary project in each local community throughout the state, we are asking that our churches use the home missionary offering on December 7 for this purpose. Let us do all we can to make it a good large offering, one that will assure the renewal of our entire subscription for the libraries.

The treasurer should send this offering in to the conference office tagged "Library *Watchman* Fund."

W. N. WITTENBERG.

Southern Oklahoma Singing Convention

THE first Southern Oklahoma Singing Convention was held in the Ardmore Seventh-day Adventist church, Sunday afternoon and evening, November 3.

Under the direction of Elder R. E. Browning, a fine program of congregational singing, solos, duets, and quartettes, was enjoyed. Following the afternoon session all gathered at Whittington Park for a bounteous picnic supper. Another short song service in the evening, and an inspiring sermon by Professor R. A. Nesmith, completed the program.

We were glad to have representatives from Oklahoma City, Pauls Valley, Waurika, Konawa, and Madill with us.

The spirit of the Lord was present as we sang praises to His name. The vote to hold a similar song festival the first Sunday in December was almost unanimous. Further announcement of this will appear later.

NAOMI DRAPER.

Harvest Ingathering

WE ARE glad to note that reports still coming to us from our churches help us to realize that most of those

who have not reached their goals are very close to accomplishing that task. Nevertheless, we lack well over \$1,000 of having our conference goal. Hence we are asking our churches to do all they can to plan definitely to carry on a good, strong Christmas caroling work during the two or three weeks preceding Christmas.

It is not too early to begin to organize now for Christmas caroling. Upon request, the conference would be glad to send our churches Christmas carol song sheafs. Our singing bands should begin to practice these songs and to give study to the best methods of working. W. N. WITTENBERG.

News Notes

Elder McConaughey visited the Shattuck church Sabbath, November 9. The new Shattuck church is just about completed and will soon be ready for dedication. Cash and pledges are in hand for putting in the heating system and completing the building, and the brethren and sisters are hoping the church can be dedicated within the next few days. It is a very comfortable, commodious building, and will lend greater prestige to our cause in that community.

Brother Nesmith returned Friday from a trip through the northeast part of the state, where he has been visiting church school teachers and inspecting the schools in that area. While on this trip he visited Nowata and reported the members busily engaged in erecting a new church building.

On Thursday, November 14, the campground building committee met on the campground to stake off the location for the dining pavilion and the large main pavilion. It is expected some of the lumber will begin arriving on the ground this week, and it is hoped that before the first of the year the work can be completed on the dining pavilion and possibly some other smaller buildings, which must be ready by camp meeting time next year.

A growing interest in the meetings at Canton, in spite of the cold weather, was reported by Brother Hein, who was an office visitor Friday.

Elder Wittenberg is making a ten days' trip through the eastern part of the conference, visiting some isolated companies and Sabbath schools,

and assisting two or three churches in completing their Harvest Ingathering work.

Brother Lee, our Book and Bible House secretary, and Brother Plue, the field missionary secretary, are spending several days visiting churches. They are being accompanied by Elder J. A. P. Green of the union conference staff and H. M. Burwell, manager of the Book Department of the Southern Publishing Association. We trust our people will take advantage of the special holiday rates on our good gift books. Circulars are being sent to all the churches, describing some of our new books that have recently come from the press, along with some of our good stand-bys. Nothing makes a better holiday present than a good book. Send your orders to the Book and Bible House and they will be given prompt attention.

We are always happy to hear from our small Sabbath schools, especially those that have been started by lay preachers. Recently we received an encouraging letter from Brother William Frogue of Snow, Oklahoma, in which he tells of holding a Bible study at the home of an interested party where there were twenty-two persons in attendance to hear the study on the Sabbath. All were interested and expressed their desire to keep the true Sabbath. Brother Frogue is himself a new member and is devoting much of his time to giving the message to others in his community. Surely this is a good example! In these serious times, all of us should be spending as much of our time as we possibly can in giving the message to those in our community.

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News Notes

The Week of Sacrifice offering is to be received November 23, but if, for any reason, you are not prepared to give your Week of Sacrifice offering at that time, you may do so before the close of the year. We hope that as far as possible all will be able to take part on November 23.

We are definitely planning to put on a colored interne at the beginning

of the new year. At present we have no colored worker in this conference. We want to see our work grow in this department.

Brother A. T. King, who left his district and went over to Las Cruces to assist in the Harvest Ingathering, reports that they have their goal and the prospects are that they will exceed what they raised last year. Congratulations to the membership in this place!

We are very glad to report that the members of this conference have raised \$5808.89 so far in the Harvest Ingathering. Again we want to thank each worker and each member for the help under heaven's blessings which made this possible in such a short time.

The weather was so severe that Brother Vargas and Brother Mireles were not able to complete the work on the church and school building at Dixon.

We are very sorry that Brother J. W. Hughes, who has been located in El Paso, has been forced to take a needed rest. Brother Hughes has had four attacks of the "flu" during this summer, but has endeavored to keep going and has worked undoubtedly beyond his physical strength and endurance. He, with his family, is planning to move to California where he believes that he will have a much quicker recovery than he would here in the field.

Brother Hughes has endeavored to be faithful in his assigned tasks, and we believe he has worked hard and to the best of his ability, for which we are very thankful. We have released Brother Hughes, for he has expressed a desire to enter the teaching profession when he shall have recovered his health. The members in El Paso, as well as in the rest of the district, will miss Brother Hughes and his family. We regret that it was necessary for Brother Hughes, under these conditions, to lay down his work. We assure him of our prayers for his quick recovery.

Elder G. W. Casebeer has offered his services to look after the English church in El Paso for a time, along with his other responsibilities in the Spanish work.

The enrollment in our schools this year is much larger than it was last year. Yet, we are not satisfied with this for we know of a goodly number

of young people, boys, and girls, who should be in our own church schools who are not. We hope, fathers and mothers, that with the help of the Lord, you will look forward to another school term when you will place your boy, your girl, or the young people in your charge, under Christian teachers where God tells us they should be. Please help us to make it possible.

Our young men will find it helpful and to their interest to plan to take the training offered in the Medical Cadet Corps at Keene, beginning December 18 and lasting until January 7. The ages for this training will include 17 to 35.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Malachi 3:10.

A special number of the *Review and Herald*, dated December 5, is to be published for our young people. In other words, it is a young people's number of the *Review and Herald*. Each young person will desire to secure at least one copy. Single copies, 5 cents.

Up to December 25, single subscriptions for the *Youth's Instructor* can be secured for \$1.75. This would make an ideal Christmas gift to any young person. Please send your order to the Book and Bible House.

From the Book and Bible House

Morning Watch — The *Morning Watch* for 1941 is ready. Eternity alone will reveal the good that has been accomplished by this "little messenger of love, and the inspiration it has brought to those on beds of sickness, to the group at the family altar, and to the busy traveler on his way. Regular edition, 5 cents; de luxe edition, 15 cents. Envelopes for mailing upon request.

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SOUTHWESTERN JR. COLLEGE

PRESIDENT, H. H. HAMILTON
BUSINESS MGR., H. W. EMMERSON

News Notes

The young women of the college under the direction of Miss Ambbs, the dean of women, entertained the young men on Sunday evening, November 17. The theme of the reception was Thanksgiving. After supper, which was served in the dining room, the party moved to the chapel for a program. Famous pictures were formed in tableau while appropriate music and readings were given. The pictures reproduced were *The Exiled Pilgrims*, *Pilgrims Going to Church*, *Song of the Lark*, *The Gleaners*, *The Angelus*, *Pinkey*, and *Betsy Ross*. The effect was enhanced by painted backgrounds and colored lights. The climax of the evening came when the audience rose to sing "The Star Spangled Banner" at the representation of the Statue of Liberty.

From Fort Smith, Arkansas, came this week Mrs. A. S. Halley and daughter Mark to visit Bernice, and Mrs. Ava Williams and daughter Dorothy to visit Carter.

For the past five years the college mill has been keeping a lost time accident record. Until the present school year the longest period without lost time was 150 days. Last Monday a record of 250 days was reached.

Mr. R. W. Elliston of Hereford, Texas, visited his daughter, Ivagene, Sunday.

S. B. McLane, president of the Texas-Mexican Industrial Institute of Kingsville, Texas, and N. Bergvall, shopman, visited Keene November 12 to investigate our industrial setup in the interest of their own industries.

Mrs. Clara Petterson-Burdick, Class of '13, of Arkansas was a recent visitor in Keene. Mrs. Burdick was matron of the school in 1913, 14.

Ellen Seasley has unfortunately had to return to her home at Fayetteville, Arkansas, for an appendectomy. She plans to be back soon after Thanksgiving.

The College Farm

FOUR years ago this fall, I arrived at Southwestern Junior College and began work on the college farm. Vividly do I recall the delapidated red

barn located just north of the women's dormitory. It was so close that the varied noises—bawling of cows, braying of mules, and the necessary and perhaps unnecessary noise of the farm boys—were very annoying to the girls, especially before the ringing of the rising bell. The dairy herd consisted of thirty cows, twenty of which were regularly milked. There
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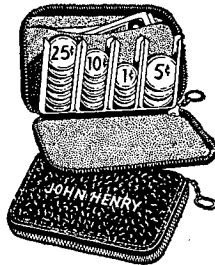


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	Bk.	Hrs.	Orders	Del.
Ark.-La., C. L. Grandon, Sec.				
Glenn Cox	-----HG	47	143.10	26.80
Harry Vought	-----HR	42	52.00	65.25
J. H. Wardrop	-----BR	40	68.10	61.10
W. M. Brinegar	-----OT	39	7.75	1.25
Vida Brooks	-----Wat.	34	24.70	24.70
Mrs. M. A. Gillon	Mes.	32	10.00	10.00
W. M. Ladd	-----BR	30	42.00	19.75
Home Workers:				
Archie Peek	-----MH	25	15.75	13.25
Kate Pope	-----GC	20	20.50	14.25
Hattie Maury	-----Mes.	17	4.45	4.45
Louis Battiste	-----HR	8	.10	
Mrs. V. Fields	-----HR	6	12.00	
Elbert Rowe	-----BR	2		4.25
Neville Jones	-----Helps		1.30	.25
Total	-----	342	401.75	245.30

Oklahoma, O. S. Plue, Sec.				
A. S. Lutz	-----BR	37	32.00	10.75
G. C. Kendall	-----BR	28		70.25
*Millard Taylor	-----BR	50	84.25	51.25
S. B. Scaggs	-----OT	66	23.65	16.90
*Mrs. M. L. Schilt	Mag.	106	44.70	44.70
Mrs. T. D. Wharton	HW	15	40.00	
Total	-----	302	224.60	193.85

Texas, A. E. Van Noty, Sec.				
Plez Underdown	-----BR	44	151.75	50.00
A. E. Eubanks	-----BR	35	6.75	71.25
Marion Brown	-----BR	44	34.25	11.45
Home Workers:				
D. E. Swartz	-----BR	16		24.50
Edith Swartz	-----BR	11		11.50
G. M. Jorgenson	Mag.	20	10.40	10.40
Alva Cadenhead	Mag.	18	7.00	7.00
G. M. Jorgenson	Mag.		5.00	5.00
B. E. Wood	-----BR	26	2.25	2.25
*Lucile Dickerson	Mag.	22	2.00	2.00
Total	-----	236	219.40	195.35

Texico, R. R. Coble, Sec.				
R. R. Coble	-----CM	56	221.25	35.00
Jose Martinez	-----CM	40	30.90	30.90
Mamie Goode	Mag.	30	19.75	19.75
Mrs. W. D. Glass	-----BR	18	24.80	12.30
Jose Espinosa	-----GA	10	10.50	10.50
Archie Dalglish	-----BR		3.50	3.50
R. D. Murray	-----BR			4.75
Home Workers:				
Mrs. Wm. Granger	Mag.	10	5.00	5.00
D. C. Sims	-----Mag.	2	1.80	1.80
Mrs. H. W. Uhrig	Mag.	1	3.00	3.00

Total 167 320.50 126.50
Grand Total 1047 1166.25 761.00
*More than one week.

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Medical Cadet Training Camp

This camp is to be held at Keene, Texas, from December 18 to January 7.

PURPOSE

1. To give all Seventh-day Adventist men of draft age a better spiritual preparation for the problems before them.
2. To fit them to render acceptable service for our nation in the Medical Corps of the Army, in case they are called to serve in the Army.
3. To give them elementary training in army courtesies and practices, which will be invaluable in solving problems of Sabbath keeping.
4. To provide instruction in defense against gas and airplane attacks, and the more common types of modern warfare.
5. To form a spirit of unity among Seventh-day Adventist youth, to be a strength to them in every personal crisis.
6. To acquaint them with the rights of noncombatants, with our laws, and with the documents and forms used at this time by the Army.

PROGRAM

The program is strenuous, consisting of 12 hours of activity each day. The drill and physical exercise will be interspersed with instruction in first aid, litter drill (stretcher bearing), anatomy, camp hygiene, personal hygiene, organization of the Army, defense against gas and airplane attacks, army regulations, and the rights of noncombatants in time of war. Two hours a day will be spent in recreation and games. Two hours daily will be given over to spiritual instruction and man's duty to God.

The spiritual preparation to be given to the young men who attend will consist of a thorough preparation in Seventh-day Adventist doctrine. The course will be comprised of the following: a study of Bible doctrines, *Messages to Young People*, *Steps to Christ*, and the last section of *Great Controversy*. This series of studies, carried on every day of the camp, will be similar to the work of the Advanced Study and Service League, as recommended by the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference.

Aside from this, there will be discussions each evening of the principles of noncombatancy during war time, of what comprises real conscientious

objections, of how to conduct oneself in the presence of the officers and the other soldiers. Every effort will be put forth to give our young men the instruction that they will need to stand the test.

NOTE: By taking this course, a person in no way lays himself liable to a call to serve in the Army before one who has not had the training. That call is determined entirely by his draft number.

It is desired to call special attention to the matter of social activities during the camp. All social activities other than those provided by the camp will be entirely out of the question, as the program does not permit for any outside activities.

WHO MAY ATTEND

All men between the ages of 17 and 35 who are in harmony with Seventh-day Adventist principles may attend. Those older who feel they would like to attend and carry on the full program will be welcome. However, it is urged that all in the ages mentioned attend.

EXPENSES

Plans are being made to make it possible to give the full benefit of the camp for \$15. This will cover registration fee, uniform, medical ex-

amination, books, and tuition. As can be seen, the cost has been cut to the minimum. Then in addition to this, will be the expenses of room and meals.

A number of the people in Keene are offering to give rooms very reasonably. A few of them will possibly be glad to arrange to give meals also. We are estimating that room and meals for the three weeks will not be less than another \$15, and it may exceed it a little. The school is offering to give meals to all who desire to arrange with them, at the rate of 20 cents for breakfast, 30 cents for dinner, and 25 cents for supper. Please indicate on the blank your desire about room.

A registration fee of \$5 is required of all, which should be sent with the blank to the union office. That will leave a balance of \$25 at least that each one should have to meet other expenses.

ARTICLES TO BRING

1. Bedding.
2. Personal toilet articles.
3. *Bible*, *Christ in Song*, *Sabbath School Quarterly*, *Morning Watch Calendar*, *Messages to Young People*, *Steps to Christ*, and *Great Controversy*.

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APPLICATION BLANK

I hereby make application to enter the Medical Cadet Corps Training Camp of the Southwestern Union Conference.

I hereby declare that I am entirely in harmony with Seventh-day Adventist principles, and that it is my firm desire and plan to abide by them always.

I agree: To abide by the rules of the Medical Cadet Corps, and if, for any reason, I find myself out of harmony with the program of the camp, I shall cheerfully resign. (It is understood that no use of tobacco is tolerated.) Further, I agree to release the Medical Cadet Corps Council of all responsibility in case of accident or sickness.

Please give the following information:

FULL NAME _____

Address _____

Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Previous military training _____

Member of what church? _____ How long? _____

Shall we arrange for your room here? _____

(Please fill out in duplicate, sending one copy to your conference M. V. secretary, and the other, together with \$5, to R. J. Roy, Keene, Texas. The balance of your payment will be made upon arrival at the camp.)

Claiming Exemption from Combatant Military Service

EXPLANATION has already been made in a former article of the fact that the questionnaire sent to registrants under the Selective Service Act of 1940 makes provision for the making of a claim from combatant military training. This is under Series Ten of the questionnaire.

When such claim for exemption is made, however, it is necessary for the registrant making the claim to obtain from his local Selective Service Board a special form, and supply on this form additional information for the Board as a basis for classification.

This is known as Form 47, and is entitled *Special Form for Conscientious Objector*. This form must be returned with the questionnaire, and when so filed becomes a part of the questionnaire. Failure to file it with the questionnaire will be regarded as a waiver by the registrant of his claim as a conscientious objector.

Careful attention should, therefore, be given to filling it out, and the utmost care should be taken in replying to the questions it contains. These questions are not going to be easy to answer, at least for some of our members who have given this subject of noncombatancy but little attention.

It is in the hope of supplying some of the information called for in this special form that this article is prepared and sent out. We cannot, of course, answer the questions for you, but we can supply information which may be helpful to you in answering the questions. This we are glad to do.

This Special Form for Conscientious Objectors contains several series of questions, five in all. Series One is the registrant's claim for exemption, either from combatant or noncombatant service and training. Series Two or Five is for the purpose of obtaining evidence of the genuineness of the claim made in Series One, and it is expressly stated that "the answers given by the registrant shall be for the information only of the officials duly authorized under the regulations to examine them."

There are two paragraphs in Series One, and they read thus:

"A. I claim the exemption provided by the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 for conscientious objectors, because I am conscientiously op-

posed by reason of my religious training and belief to participation in war in any form and to participation in combatant military service or training therefor; but I am willing to participate in noncombatant service or training therefor under the direction of military authorities.

"B. I claim the exemption provided by the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 for conscientious objectors, because I am conscientiously opposed by reason of my religious training and belief to participation in war in any form and to participation in any service which is under the direction of military authorities."

Under each of these paragraphs is a blank space for the signature of the registrant making the claim. It is expressly stated that the registrant must sign his name to one of these claims, but must not sign his name to both of them. And he must strike out the statement which he does not sign.

With reference to this claim for exemption it should be understood by all Seventh-day Adventist registrants that the traditional and historic position of this denomination will be fully met by a claim for exemption from combatant service only. Consequently, the signature of the Seventh-day Adventist registrant, claiming exemption, should be after the first paragraph above, not after the second. If any make claim for exemption from noncombatant service, they should do so on their own conviction, because the denomination does not take that position.

It should be made plain to every registrant claiming exemption from combatant service on the ground of conscientious conviction that such a claim will receive consideration, and final decision, only when the registrant on all other counts would be placed in Class 1 as fit for immediate military service. All other grounds of deferment will be settled first, and if on any of these other grounds the registrant would be classified in Classes 2, 3, or 4, then the claim for exemption from combatant service will not even be considered at the present time. Thorough attention should be given to all the questions contained in the questionnaire, especially those that deal with dependents and occupa-

Series Two contains six questions on *Religious Training and Beliefs*.

The first question is this: "Describe the nature of your belief which is the basis of your claim made in Series 1 above." I cannot, of course, make your reply for you. I may, however, be permitted to suggest that something in the nature of the following ought to serve to supply the information which will be helpful to the Selective Service Board in considering your claim for exemption from combatant training and service. My suggestion would be: "I am a Seventh-day Adventist Christian, and as such, accept and believe and endeavor to practice the teachings of Jesus and of my church, and therefore cannot engage in violence, and the taking of human life. I am willing, however, to serve in noncombatant lines and especially where I can serve to minister to human welfare and the preservation of life."

Question 2 in Series Two is this: "Explain how, when, and from whom or from what source you received the training and acquired the belief which is the basis of your claim made in Series 1 above." No doubt it will serve here to make an explanation of the manner, the time, and the person or persons from whom you learned the Seventh-day Adventist way of life, whether from parents, preacher, at school, from books, from colporteur, Bible worker, Sabbath-school teacher, or lay worker.

Question 3 of Series Two is: "Give the name and present address of the individual upon whom you rely most for religious guidance." Give here the name of your pastor, or parent, or Sabbath-school teacher, or conference president, or college president, or academy principal, or other individual who meets the specification.

Question 4 of Series Two is: "Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe in the use of force?" Here each must answer for himself. It would be entirely in harmony with the teachings of the denomination to reply: "I believe the civil government is justified in using force—but that I, as an individual Christian responsible to God, cannot engage in violence or the taking of human life."

Question 5 of Series Two is: "Describe the actions and behavior in

your life which in your opinion most conspicuously demonstrate the consistency and depth of your religious convictions." It should serve here to reply: "My uniting with the Seventh-day Adventist Church and my endeavor since that time to carry out its teachings in my personal experience, particularly in sacrificing economic opportunity and convenience to keep the 7th day Sabbath."

Question 6 of Series Two is: "Have you ever given public expression, written or oral, to the views herein expressed as the basis for your claim made in Series 1 above?" If you have engaged in a discussion of noncombatant principles in student bands or seminars, in young people's social meetings or elsewhere in public, tell when and where. It will probably be sufficient to state: "I have on many occasions, such as prayer meeting, students' meetings, camp meeting, Sabbath school, youths' meetings, and in personal conversations, expressed my happiness and gratitude for accepting the teachings of my church."

Series Three of the Special Form requires information on four things: first, the name and address of each school and college you have attended, together with the dates of your attendance, and in each instance the type of school, whether private, public, church, military, commercial, etc.; second, a chronological list of all occupations, positions, jobs, or types of work, other than as a student in school or college, in which you have at any time been engaged, together with the name of your employer, his address, and the exact time you have worked for him; third, the addresses and dates of residence where you

have formerly lived, in city, town, or village, state or foreign country, street address or R.F.D. route, and the dates of residence in each place; fourth, the name, address, and country of birth of your parents, together with information as to whether they are living or not.

Series Four of the Special Form contains 3 questions, the second of which is subdivided into a, b, c, d, and e. The first question requires information as to whether you have ever been a member of any military organization or establishment.

Question 2 is: "Are you a member of a religious sect or organization?" This is to be answered by yes or no. And if answered by yes, the following five questions must be answered: "(a) State the name of the sect, and the name and location of its governing body or head if known to you." The answer to this would be "Seventh-day Adventists, Washington, D. C." "(b) When, where, and how did you become a member of said sect or organization." Here give the date, or year, location, and manner (baptism or profession of faith) of your uniting with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. "(c) State the name and location of the church, congregation, or meeting where you customarily attend." In answering this, give the name and address of your local church where you have your membership such as 1st Seventh-day Adventist, or Bethel, Ephesus, East Side, Field Avenue, etc. "(d) Give the name and present address of the pastor or leader of such church, congregation or meeting." In answering this, give the name and address of your pastor, or church

elder, or company leader. In the case of membership in a conference church, give name and address of the conference president. "(e) Describe carefully the creed or official statements of said religious sect or organization in relation to participation in war." To this, you can reply: "Since the time of the Civil War the Seventh-day Adventist denomination has been on record with the United States Government as being noncombatant and has been so recognized. I attach hereto a copy of an official statement of the denomination entitled *Seventh-day Adventists and Civil Government* for the additional information it will supply." And be sure to obtain from your local church a copy of this leaflet, recently sent out to all conferences to be passed on to the churches, and clip it to this Special Form when you return it with your questionnaire.

Question 3 of Series Four is: "Describe your relationships with and activities in all organizations with which you are or have been affiliated, other than religious or military."

Series Five of the Special Form requires the names, addresses, occupation or position, and relationship to you, of persons who could supply information as to the sincerity of your professed convictions against participation in war.

Lastly the Special Form requires your personal affidavit to the accuracy of the answers you have given, and if you have received assistance in making these out from some advisor, the name and address of that advisor.

NATIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE GEN. CONF.,
Carlyle B. Haynes, secretary.

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4. Proper clothing for outdoor work, and whatever you desire for Sabbath. The uniform will be provided upon arrival, and will be used almost entirely. Shoes should be black. Also, bring a black necktie, and tennis shoes.

The College Farm

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was one chicken house with about one hundred chickens. Because the farm was improperly terraced, a number of ditches had washed across it. There

were only a few fruit trees and no vineyard. The farm buildings were all badly in need of repairs.

Under the supervision of our progressive farm manager, Mr. Turner, we see today a great change. The dairy barn has been moved a quarter of a mile west from its original location to a well-drained spot, and the building has been modernized for more efficiency in caring for the cows. The girls are no longer disturbed by the farmyard noise.

The dairy herd now consists of fifty-one cows, forty of which are milked regularly. There are now nine chicken houses and four hundred pullets. Al-

though they are just beginning production, we are getting more than three hundred eggs daily. In the very near future there will be a hatching unit added to the farm to provide a new source of income and to increase the school flock. The farm has been reterraced, the ditches filled with sawdust, and the land fertilized so that there is much better production than formerly. There is now an excellent vineyard, several acres of fruit trees, and various kinds of berries.

Altogether, I would say that the farm is now one of which the college may justly be proud.

VERNON THOMAS.