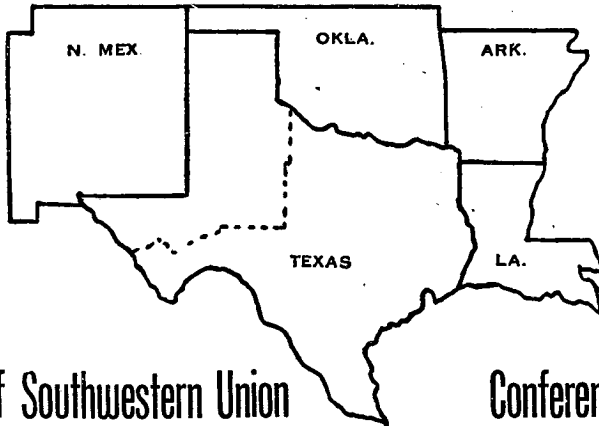


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Our Spanish School

BROTHER Abernathy and I left Keene the first of last week for Albuquerque where we spent several hours at our Spanish-American school. Professor Palmer, the principal, met us at Albuquerque and took us out to the school. We were greatly pleased to see the changes which have been made since the school opened. The buildings and grounds show that many hours of hard labor have been done on them. A nice three-room schoolhouse is nearing completion, and plans are being made to give thirty-five or forty of our Spanish young people a good school term. We found the faculty of good courage, and were pleased to see the determination on the part of these loyal teachers to make the school a success.

The farm is well located in a fertile valley, and all kinds of fruits and vegetables are grown. The crops are now being harvested, and it is encouraging to see how the farm is producing. We have every reason to believe that the Lord directed our leaders in the locating of this school.

The school is going to be a real asset to our Spanish-speaking members. In erecting buildings, and in the operation of the school, the plan is to keep free from debt. Because of this, it will be necessary to begin in a humble way, but we believe that as a result of the earnest efforts, many young people will be given a Christian education. In these closing hours of earth's history, we are in

great need of Spanish workers. We feel that the new school will be all that is expected of it. We solicit an interest in the prayers of God's people in behalf of this school. Those desiring to get in touch with Professor Dan Palmer, the principal, may do so by addressing his mail: Sandoval, New Mexico.

J. W. TURNER.

The Busiest Church in Texas

MORE than one hundred men wearing the khaki uniform of the United States Army, comprise the membership of the busiest church in Texas. Unique, because it is made up entirely of men—it is also unique, because every man is in the medical corps of the United States Army.

It is the busiest church because it changes its place of meeting three times each Sabbath. The vesper service at the beginning of the Sabbath, is held in Chapel No. 3 at Camp Barkeley. There were eighty-six soldiers present Friday evening, October 2. Sabbath school and church services are held in the Fifth Street U. S. O., and young people's meetings Sabbath afternoons are at the Y. W. C. A. The latter place of meeting is much too small and a number of the soldiers must stand during the afternoon meeting.

Frequent changes in membership make the church a busy place. During the week of September 27 to October 3, thirty-one new names were added. At least ten or twelve names were dropped during the period, because the soldiers had been transferred to other camps.

During September the soldiers paid \$132 toward a building fund, knowing that probably there will not be a building during their stay at camp, but contributing toward the welfare of those who will follow them. In the same month, \$109.68 tithes was paid into the Abilene church by the soldiers, though most of them follow the policy of sending their tithe to their home churches.

The church is deeply spiritual. Brought from every section of the United States, they are joyously welded into a unit of fellowship, because they are in the same circumstances, face the same problems, and possess the same purpose to be faithful in their efforts to be good soldiers for their nation, and faithful representatives of their church. It is a real pleasure to associate with them in worship and fellowship. The prayers of the brethren are solicited in their behalf.

A. M. RAGSDALE.

Literature for the Blind

FOR more than forty years the Christian Record Benevolent Association has been furnishing embossed literature for the blind, but it seems many of our people are not yet aware of this charitable work. Now and then we receive letters from our believers and even from conference officials asking what we print and what we charge. We want to make it plain to all just what we print and that there is no charge for any of our output. All of our services are entirely free to the blind.

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We are sending out more than three tons of embossed literature to the blind every month. First, we print the *Christian Record*. This is the oldest embossed journal now being printed in the United States, and has by far a larger circulation than any other inspirational magazine for the blind. Another journal we call *The Sabbath School Monthly*. This contains our Sabbath school lessons. The third is the *Bible Expositor*, and the fourth is *The Children's Friend*. The first three mentioned are printed in both braille and New York point, and the children's journal is in braille only.

In addition to the journals, the Association maintains a free circulating library in braille. The books are selected with care from the denomination's ink-print books, and, besides books covering all points of the faith, the library contains many of our mission books, story books for children, and various other inspirational books on many character-building subjects. Such books as *Great Controversy*, *Desire of Ages*, *Patriarchs and Prophets*, and many other of Sister White's books are in our Braille library and have been going

out to the blind for many years.

We who are connected with the Association are constantly endeavoring to broaden the scope of our work for the blind. There are perhaps 135,000 blind people in the United States. This gives us a large responsibility, and the Christian Record Association is the only institution doing printing for the blind that is connected with the organized work. The institution is owned and controlled by the General Conference.

We are asking our people everywhere to remember the blind of their communities. You would need and appreciate a friend if you were blind. You would realize—more than it is possible for you to realize now—that a man shows the magnitude of his heart by his sympathetic and unselfish service for others less fortunate than himself. Here is a splendid missionary work right at home. If all our people would seek out the blind in the radius of their own homes and churches, and send us their names and addresses, we could be supplying the entire reading army of the blind with good inspirational and message-filled literature.

The purpose of this article is to enable us to get in touch with more blind people. Please remember, any blind person, anywhere in the United States (Or in the world, in fact. We have a large foreign list of readers.), who can read either New York Point or Revised Braille, may have any or all of our monthly magazines entirely free of charge, as well as the free service of our Braille Library.

The Association appreciates and invites the cooperation of all sympathetic friends. The blind ask not for sympathy, but who could not sympathize when 135,000 people need the touch of loving service. For the sake of the salvation of hundreds of the blind in the kingdom of God, please cooperate with the Christian Record Benevolent Association, 3705 South 48th, Lincoln, Nebraska.

D. D. REES, *Editor-Manager*.

From One of our Camp Pastors Overseas

THINKING that our friends in the homeland would be glad for a little report from overseas, I am glad to pass on a few items.

On my arrival here in May for work in the Canal Zone, I was asked,

in connection with my other duties, to act as camp pastor. Being interested in young men I was glad to respond and to give what time and effort I could to this work.

We know that not only are the parents and relatives of our "boys" anxious concerning the spiritual interests of the men in service, but that each church is carrying an earnest interest and anxiety, and is praying that God will keep our men true and loyal to their country and that their lives also shall be kept pure, noble, and true to their God.

It will do parents, relatives, friends and all of our church members much good and be a source of satisfaction to know of the loyalty of our men. You would be greatly cheered if you could drop into our little chapel here and meet with us in some of our services. Without exception as for as we know, our Seventh-day Adventist young men are availing themselves of the gracious courtesy accorded them in the Army of Sabbath privileges in securing leave from regular army camp duty for the attendance at Sabbath services.

The earnestness of our God-fearing young men would bring courage and joy to the hearts of relatives, friends, and church members. We truly have men today as true to right and to their God as was Joseph, Moses, and Daniel.

Soon after taking up this work as camp pastor we organized, aside from the Sabbath school and other services, a Ministerial Seminar, which meets each Sabbath afternoon at 5 o'clock. The purpose of this organization, including our soldier boys who meet with us and a number of civilian brethren, is to better qualify for preparing and giving Bible readings and sermons to others. Thus in carrying out the spirit and purpose of the Seminar some of the young men have had some very excellent and interesting experiences in giving Bible studies to individuals and groups of their comrades in camp. Other lines of missionary work have been well featured, especially the use and distribution of literature.

We solicit the prayers of all relatives and church members in behalf of our men in service. We would be glad to pass on individual experiences, but space and circumstances forbid.

A. R. OGDEN, *Camp Pastor*.

ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA

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To the Colporteur Evangelists

I FIND it in my heart to express to each and every individual who has contributed time and effort toward the making of our splendid record, both sincere appreciation for what has been accomplished, and a wish that comprehends even greater things for the future.

Surely the present is our day of opportunity to place our books and magazines in the hands of the people. As we have tried to make use of our opportunities, God has been pleased to add His blessing in large degree. Our conference has pressed forward until we stand far toward the front among the conferences of North America in the matter of the sales and delivery of literature bearing our message. In this we take much pleasure.

We especially appreciate the fine group of men and women who are devoting their full time to this important work week after week and month after month. It is this full time service that counts most. But we cannot estimate the good that has been done by our student colporteurs who this year rendered faithful service during the vacation period. They gave a real mid-year boost to our work and gained much in profitable experience or financial help for themselves. We would not overlook those whose responsibilities are such that they can devote only spare time to the selling of our literature. There is room and need for many more such individuals. The one talent rightly used will receive a just reward. In whatever group you chance to be, dear colporteur, we would have you know that your labors are greatly appreciated, and that you are remembered in our prayers.

As we give thought to the time in which we live, to the conditions which prevail, and to the unwarned souls we have yet to reach, I feel that we must strive for yet greater accomplishments in literature evangelism. We need the continued cooperation and loyal service of those now engaged in this line of endeavor.

There is both crying need and ample room for two or three times the number of colporteurs now in our field. There are scores of counties and parishes in which scarcely anything has yet been done. And right now when money is readily obtainable for both labor and farm products, our opportunities are greatest. We need men and women with the faith and determination of Caleb; individuals who will choose certain territory and say "give me this mountain," that I may thereon raise up the banner of truth for God and the message. Our work will be finished someday by just such a consecration of life and service, and if we ever expect to have a part in it, why not now?

Great things have been accomplished, and for these we are glad. Greater things can and will be done in Arkansas-Louisiana if we have the courage to press into the doors of opportunity that now swing wide open inviting us to enter. Let us pray for Brother Grandon and his faithful coworkers. Better still, if the "still small voice" speaks to your heart bringing conviction that you should take an active part in this noble work, step into line saying, "Lord, here am I, send me."

I. C. POUND.

District No. 3

THE Texarkana church has been very active in soul-winning recently, and through the efforts of one of its members, M. P. Anderson, one has already been added to the church. Now is the day of opportunity, and we should work as never before to develop any interests we may find among our relatives and friends. May we see many more accept God and His truth as a result of earnest labors on the part of our lay members.

Miss Audrey Reese of New Orleans is teaching the church school at Shreveport this year, and by the enthusiasm manifested by parents and patrons, we look forward to a fruitful year.

Brother M. Lister reports that the new company at Taylortown is progressing nicely. The prospects are very encouraging for the little company there.

A report from the Alexandria church indicates that several soldiers attend Sabbath services regularly. The

church, with the cooperation of Seventh-day Adventist soldiers, has been holding Sunday vespers in the U. S. O. building.

A fund has been started to make certain repairs to the Alexandria church. We hope to complete this work in the near future.

The writer spent a day in New Orleans recently on school business.

F. J. BRYANT.

District No. 4

THE church school in New Orleans opened with an enrollment of forty-five. We welcome Mrs. Z. L. Burns as the second teacher. Mrs. Maggie Montgomery, who served last year, is the principal, and the prospects are good for a splendid school in this large city this term.

Those visiting the New Orleans No. 2 church will find the appearance of it much improved. Repairs have been made to the church and school and the sidewalk in front of the church just recently paved.

On September 12 three members were added to Baton Rouge No. 2 church through baptism, and another on the 19th. New Orleans also added four members on the 19th of September.

Eleven received certificates in New Orleans from the study of the Bible Training Class work. Another class is now being planned.

The writer is now holding meetings at Wilson, Louisiana. A good interest seems to be developing in this place, and we hope to have a good harvest of souls as a result of the efforts put forth.

J. H. WILLIAMS.

News Notes

The tent effort conducted by Elder Dasent in the city of Little Rock was successfully brought to a close with the baptism of fifteen souls as the first fruits from the labors of his evangelistic group. Others in the baptismal class for further instruction will no doubt become members a little later. Anticipating this increase in membership, our brothers and sisters of the No. 2 church have enlarged their building and erected a beautiful stone entrance at the front. We appreciate the spiritual and material progress being made in this place under Elder Dasent's

leadership and through a cooperative spirit on the part of all.

The "Bible Lyceum" under the direction and leadership of Elder Garrett is scheduled to close about the middle of October. The strong corps of workers associated with this evangelistic effort have labored faithfully to bring our message of truth to the attention of all who live in or near Little Rock. It is planned to conduct the first baptismal service for new believers next Sabbath and it is now certain that the labor expended will bring forth encouraging fruitage. More than eight hundred dollars have been received in the collection baskets to help in defraying the expenses of this meeting. The total cost, including two radio programs each week, will be about one thousand dollars, so that the effort will be four-fifths self-supporting. A large interest has been aroused which will take months of further labor to fully develop. Elder Mattison and wife are now located in Little Rock to continue this work and to be in charge of the district. Miss Whisnant will remain for some time, doing Bible work for those who are interested. Brother Lowry and Miss Parker will be withdrawn to other duties as soon as it seems consistent to do so. Local members are cooperating nicely in the concluding features of this evangelistic effort.

Brother Guy Williamson and wife are scheduled to arrive in Monroe, Louisiana about the middle of October to take over the work of the district served by Brother and Sister Kelsey for the past five years. The Kelseys will move to Texarkana to direct the work in the district over which Elder Lusk recently had charge. Brother and Sister Lusk will for the present devote their entire time and effort to the work in De Queen, Arkansas. They are teaching the church school, including some academic classes, and will no doubt strengthen our local church program in this growing center of influence.

A new church building is now under construction on Plaquemine Bayou, Louisiana, and the school building had to somewhat enlarge to care for the number of children attending the school. Brother and Sister Zollbrecht are in charge as teachers, and are doing what they can to de-

velop the evangelistic side of the work also.

Elder J. H. Williams reports that forty persons signified their intention to keep the Sabbath in one of the services connected with the effort he is holding at Wilson, Louisiana. We trust that many of this number will be led to accept the whole message of truth.

As we draw toward the close of 1942, we are beginning to give earnest thought to the matter of developing a program and a plan of operation that will insure the greatest possible degree of growth and progress throughout Arkansas-Louisiana during the coming year. Difficulties were never before so great, but we must find a way to surmount them. There were no rubber tires at the Red Sea or at Pentecost, yet the divine command was to "go forward." We must find God's way for advancing now. Pray for us, your leaders, as we seek ways and means of finishing the work of God in this conference.

OKLAHOMA

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J. C. Kozel, Sec. Treas.

Change In Workers

THE members throughout the Oklahoma Conference will regret to learn that Elder and Mrs. R. A. Nesmith have accepted an invitation to connect with the work in the Illinois Conference. On the 17th of September they left for their new field of labor.

Elder Nesmith has been connected with the Educational work in the Oklahoma conference for nearly eight years. For nearly five years he was principal of the Junior Academy at Tulsa and for the past three and one-half years he has been the Educational and M. V. secretary of the Oklahoma Conference.

During this period of service in this conference, Brother and Sister Nesmith have very greatly endeared themselves to all of our believers. Brother Nesmith has rendered faithful service in building up the work in these two departments and it has been with reluctance that we have accepted his resignation, so that he could take up similiar work in the Illinois Conference.

The conference committee is casting about for his successor and it is hoped that within a short time an experienced educational and young people's leader may be found to take over the supervision of these important departments.

J. L. McCONAUGHEY.

News from Oklahoma

Elder McConaughy visited Stroud last Sabbath and also spent a day at McAlester counselling with Elder Marshall and the McAlester members regarding the purchase of a new church building for that city. Plans are being laid for an effort at McAlester as soon as a place can be provided for one. Elder Marshall will make McAlester his headquarters for the Ada district for the next few months while working on the church project there.

Elder Kiesz was an office visitor one day last week. He reports having had another baptism in his district, and is planning a short series of meetings, beginning next week, at Durham.

Elder Bresee is holding a two weeks' series of meetings at Stillwater before going to Pond Creek where he will hold a fall effort. He reports good crowds attending the meetings at Stillwater.

Elder Smith reports a growing interest in his meetings at Tahlequah. Brother Wahl is assisting him and a Cherokee Indian brother, Brother Study, is helping out with the work of visiting among the Indians who attend the services.

Elder Whitsett is conducting a series of meetings in the Oklahoma City church which are being well attended.

Elder Remsen, the union field missionary secretary, was an office caller one day last week. He is spending ten days in the field with Brother Eubanks visiting the churches in the interest of the book work.

We greatly appreciate the splendid spirit of loyalty that is being manifested by our people throughout the conference in the payment of tithe and Sabbath school offerings. September was another good tithe income month. Surely the Lord can bless His work in a field where His people are honest with Him in their obligations.

TEXAS

2838 Hemphill St., Ft. Worth, Texas
 F. D. Wells, President
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Special Notice

A COUPLE in our conference is very desirous of corresponding with any one who knows of a motherless child who is in need of a good Christian home. These people are good representative Seventh-day Adventists, and have already taken care of several children and brought them to maturity. Naturally, we would expect to give references, and also would look for references from those from whom we hear.

This family is not only a good representative family, but evidently have sufficient funds to help educate the child they would care for.

F. D. WELLS.

News Items

THE readers of the RECORD will be interested to learn that Tarrant County, of which Fort Worth is the county seat, is in the midst of a Wet and Dry Campaign; and it seems that the Wet element is using every means possible to cast reflections on prohibition. When the Dry element began looking around for material to carry on the fight, we introduced to them, copies of the Temperance *Signs of the Times*, and the committee enthusiastically ordered 50,000 copies. They are to be distributed here in Fort Worth and vicinity.

Nearly everyone who sees the *Signs* admits that it is the best material on the subject that has been printed. We ought to be proud of the fact that the publishers are putting out this type of literature, and if the world is willing to spend hundreds of dollars to distribute it, we surely ought to be liberal in our purchases of this important piece of literature.

Elder A. C. Griffin, pastor of the Fort Worth church, and Elder Barclay are joining heartily with the Ministerial Association here in Fort Worth, in helping to carry forward the campaign. This has necessitated Brother Barclay cancelling much of his itinerary through the conference for the month of October.

Elder Griffin and the writer, with their companions, paid a personal

visit to the Graham evangelistic company last Wednesday evening, and enjoyed the visit. While the attendance was not as large as we had hoped, yet we found Brother Hackett, Brother Ellstrom, and Brother McMullen, of good courage, and working enthusiastically, determined to place before the people there the message for this hour. A number of the same people are returning each evening, and we are confident that a goodly number will accept the message.

By the time this RECORD is read, several of us from Texas will be on our way to the Autumn Council, which is being held this year in Cincinnati, Ohio. We are confident that important problems will come before the council for a final decision, and we ask an interest in the prayers of our people here that they may be settled in harmony with the will of God.

On Friday, October 3, Elder Rhoads made a hasty trip to Wichita Falls, in answer to an urgent request of one of our boys who was in trouble; and as a result the young man was permitted to attend the Sabbath services with him. But after he returned to the conference office, another urgent letter came from this same boy telling us that he was still in danger of being court-martialed. Brother Rhoads was busy with other work, therefore, Brother W. L. Barclay made a special trip to see him the second time. I am giving this information merely to let your boys know that we are ready and willing to do everything in our power to help them when they experience difficulties in the different camps. We beg you fathers and mothers to let us know when your boy goes to camp, and just how we can assist him.

Elder Horace Beckner has returned to his field in the Rio Grande Valley, from his vacation trip, and we are sure that all of our Valley people will welcome him back.

The readers of the RECORD will be interested to learn that the Voice of Prophecy has now added five new stations in our territory. They are Corpus Christi, Austin, Weslaco, Temple, and Vernon. We hope all our people in the vicinity of these places will not only listen to this program, but will invite all their

neighbors and friends to do so.

F. D. WELLS.

Do You Have this One?

A near-by union conference officer reported that for a recent year our people spent 56 cents per capita for our books. This fragment of statistical information bespeaks a deplorable situation! Can it be that Seventh-day Adventists are neglecting to read? Are we substituting the radio for books, or are we reading books and periodicals of a sort unworthy of our time and interest? With the wealth of good literature available from our Book and Bible House, surely we are neglecting our highest privileges if we fail to acquire more and more of these excellent books.

Best among this fine selection is, of course, the abiding Spirit of prophecy volumes. Just now the book *Education* which is basic to our entire school and home program is available at a price far below present cost of production. For a limited time it can be purchased in cloth for \$1.25 and in paper cover for 85 cents. Search your library and if you do not have a copy of this remarkable volume, send your order at once to the Book and Bible House. All church pastors and elders should bring this important matter to the attention of their churches now. Our isolated members should take advantage of this offer at once.

J. H. RHOADS.

Men Anticipating Induction

MANY of our men are being inducted into the military establishment of the nation. It is the mutual desire of all interested persons that the problems of our boys which arise chiefly from their non-combatant and Sabbath-keeping convictions be mitigated in so far as this is possible without yielding to principle.

It is somewhat distressing to find a few of our boys who have been inducted into combat assignment who have known nothing of form 47 and who have not therefore made provision for securing an O-classification. These men usually find more difficulties after induction than those do who have had a proper classification before being called to the army camps. It is our desire to provide all of our men who are anticipating early induction with leaflets

containing information and guidance. It is much easier to avoid difficulties in these matters than to extricate a man after he has become involved. "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." These leaflets are available upon request from your conference M. V. Department. We shall be pleased to supply our elders, pastors, M. V. leaders, or others with this material. There is no charge.

Several of our men have recently got into embarrassing difficulties through being assigned to technical training schools at Aviation Fields. Usually these are men who were not properly classified by their local boards and do not have a 1-A-O rating. We advise men, who upon induction are sent to such posts, to immediately notify their Missionary Volunteer secretary or camp pastor, for it is very difficult to get reclassified when one has begun to attend these classes. The Sabbath problem frequently arises, too. The time to make definite request for transfer to a non-combat service is *before* one enrolls in such classes: not afterward.

J. H. RHOADS.

Farewells for Soldiers

EVERY Adventist boy called to the uniform is entitled to the assurance that his M. V. Society and his church enshrine him in their confidence and love. Our boys are going forth to witness for Christ and the church back home ought to be their base of spiritual supplies. It is the responsibility of the church, particularly of its young people, to bind the memory of our departing young men into the heart and soul of the church. Never should the line of communication between our departed sons and the church altar be impaired.

When that lad in your community is about to leave, have a fitting social occasion for him. Certainly it should not be a time for foolishness and nonsense, neither should it be a dolorous dirge of tears and maudlin sentiment. The program should be carried out so that our boy will feel, when the affair is over, that he is going forth as a representative of God: that his church is behind him to uphold him constantly before the throne of divine grace; that the church has consecrated him as an evangel of truth, and that his honor

is pledged with theirs to be loyal to all that is noble and good.

We have just received a shipment of khaki kits suitable for carrying a small Bible, lesson quarterly, Morning Watch calendar and an Army and Navy *Steps to Christ*.

Khaki kit	\$.75
New Testament (Small khaki)	.50
Bibles—Fine leather thin edition	
Correct size	4.00-6.50
<i>Steps to Christ</i>	
Army and Navy edition	.10
Quarterly	.07
Morning Watch calendar	.10

We suggest that you order this kit which bears the seal of the M. V. Department, and present it to the young man, as a token of the fidelity and devotion of your church.

J. H. RHOADS.

Shall We Have a Medical Cadet Corps?

INQUIRY has been coming in of late concerning when we would be holding a Medical Cadet Camp in the Southwest. With the large number of our men being inducted we feel constrained to again offer this training providing there is sufficient demand for it. The cost for uniform, books, tuition, board and room would be about \$35, and the course would be given in a central place sometime in early December, continuing for three weeks. It would be open to Adventist men from ages 18 to 45.

The Medical Department of the Army is proving to be the best place for most of our men, and we urge all of our men who have not had this training to avail themselves of it at the earliest possible date. This article is to discover how many men in this conference would attend if the above described camp is arranged. Will you immediately write us of your intentions in order that we may know how to plan.

J. H. RHOADS.
2838 Hemphill St.
Fort Worth, Texas

"High pressure folks may temporarily get attention, but in the long run, the normal, orderly, constructive group that grows slowly and proves itself to be dependable will always exert the greatest influence."

TEXICO

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V. A. LaGrone, President

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The Delayed Harvest

WHEN a farmer plants a crop he expects at the right time to reap a harvest which will make his heart rejoice as he sees the increase of his labors that through the blessings of God yield some sixty fold and some a hundred fold. He knows that there must be a time of harvest, and at that time it must begin or if too long delayed, the crop will be lost. "There is a time to plant and a time to reap that which has been planted." So in the gospel field. The harvest is now truly ripe for harvesting, but the laborers are few, especially in this conference and that is more truly evident in the Spanish Department.

This summer I was asked to help out in the Spanish field. My first trip was to the northern part of the state where I found much seed had been sown, but because of the shortage of funds, no one was sent to reap it. I found many who were once interested, but because of delay, had grown cold and not much could be done in a few days to get them ready for baptism, so all that was accomplished was to encourage them to follow on, to know the Lord better by more study and consecration. But they said, "How shall we, unless we have someone to teach us?" However, it was consoling to know that Brother Eakes had done some good work there in the past and would continue visiting with them. Three were faithfully keeping the Sabbath, and had promised to be baptized in the near future.

My next trip was to the Lincoln district, famous for its turbulent career of Billy the Kid. His rapacious spirit is well remembered by the old settlers who take great pride in telling about him. It still seems to exert its hostile influence upon the spiritual nature of those who live there. Somehow, the sweetness of the gospel has not been able to penetrate very deeply into the hearts of very many. Brother Ramsev and his wife are doing all they can to hold up the light of truth there.

As in other places, I found that much of the gospel seed had been sown but the harvest had been

delayed too long so not much has been accomplished.

CARL F. STABEN.

Plainview Over

THE Plainview church is happy to be "over the top" in the Ingathering. We are happy to have Brother and Sister Muse of Dallas, Brother Auddie Muse of Lubbock, and Brother Grotheer of the conference, to assist us in reaching our goal. We wish to express to each of these our thanks. May the dear Lord bless each one, is our prayer.

MRS. C. R. CRANFORD.

District Notes

TWENTY-three converts have now united with Christ and the remnant church as the result of the Abilene, Texas, effort. With the few believers in the city when the effort started, we now have 33 members of the newly organized Abilene S. D. A. church. Four others are keeping the Sabbath and attending church regularly and we are praying they will break entirely the bands of the enemy and unite fully with this people.

Of these 23 converts, Brother R. D. Murray studied with ten and Brother Melvin Elliston personally helped several in his section of the city who have definitely taken their stand for the truth. Brethren Murray and Elliston, as well as Mrs. Murray, worked hard and faithfully with a willing cooperative spirit and the results of their summer's work are indeed gratifying. As they go on now to Washington Missionary College to finish their preparation for the work of the ministry, we trust that our dear people in Texico will remember them in their prayers. Mrs. Delafield did her part, too, with the music.

On the day of the organization of the Abilene church, our people pledged over \$400 toward a building of their own in which to worship. Sabbath, September 26, more money was pledged by our soldier brethren from Camp Barkeley and our lay members so that now about \$550 is in hand in cash and pledges. It has been thought well to buy a building and a lot, remodel the building and perhaps rock-veneer it and then use it as an Adventist Service Center for

about 100 Adventist soldier boys at Camp Barkeley. It could then be used as a recreational hall for our Adventist service men and also church services could be held in it—without dedicating it as a church. Elder A. M. Ragsdale, camp pastor at Camp Barkeley, has this burden on his heart too. Please join in prayer that the dear Lord will bless this project.

We thank God for His making it possible to see progress all over the district. There are now six organized churches and one company. Odessa, after Brother Dittberner's effort, has been organized into a church and has an ordained local elder to lead them on in conquests of soul-winning endeavor. Midland has just raised \$250 cash to finish up some much needed improvement to their church property. A beautiful church stands in this city as a memorial to the Lord's truth. This church was the first building dedicated in the district several years back after Elder Lee Carter's work in this city.

Big Spring is planning now to completely finish up its fine church building, started by Brother Orville Schneider's efforts several years back. It is hoped that a dedication might be held before the year closes. Brother Grotheer and the writer are planning to hold a down-town hall effort in this city in the immediate future. Please pray God to give us success in this.

In Sweetwater, the center of the district, the fine church property looks very attractive with its green lawn and flowers and trees. Our people are of good courage and happy for their new church building completely free of debt. Our four united families in the Stamford company, together with another sister who hopes that her husband will soon join her in the message, are praying that the time may soon come when they might have an effort and a new church building. They, too, are of excellent spirit in their devotion to the truth.

In San Angelo we have just completed a five-night revival which was attended by the public. We held the meetings at night in our church and assisted our people in the Ingathering during the day. The Ingathering goal was attained lacking less than \$10 which we feel sure the lay mem-

bers will yet raise. Brother Altus May is being greatly blessed of the Lord in his colporteur work in this city and in addition, he is leading the church as the local elder. We are also very happy to have Sister Pierce from California, an experienced church school teacher, to lead our school in this place.

Brethren and sisters, the Lord's work is closing in the earth. Jesus is about to come and take us home to glory. We fear the work is years behind in our part of the vineyard. May God help every believer in District seven to be ready NOW in giving the message of warning and thus hasten on the coming of our blessed Saviour.

R. E. DELAFIELD.

Radio Log Southwestern Union and Surrounding Territory Each Sunday Night

Place	Station	K. C.	Time
Abilene, Texas	KRBC	1450	6:00 CWT
Albuquerque, N. M.	KOB	770	10:00 a. m.
Amarillo, Texas	KFDA	1230	6:00 CWT
Clovis, N. Mex.	KICA	1240	4:30 MWT
Dallas, Texas	WRR	1310	6:00 CWT
Houston, Texas	KXYZ	1470	6:00 CWT
Little Rock, Ark.	KGHI	1230	6:00 CWI
New Orleans, La.	WNOE	1450	6:00 CWT
Okla. City, Okla.	KOCY	1340	6:00 CWT
San Antonio, Tex.	KABC	1450	8:00 CWT
Texarkana, Ark.	KCMC	1450	6:00 CWT
Sherman, Texas	KRRV	910	6:00 CWT
Coffeyville, Kans.	KGGF	690	6:00 CWT
Emporia, Kansas	KTSW	1400	6:00 CWT
Kansas City, Mo.	WHB	880	6:00 CWT
Memphis, Tenn.	WMPS	1460	6:00 CWT
Tucson, Arizona	KTUC	1400	9:30 MWT

(For full log covering nation, see *Review and Herald*.)

A Greeting Gay

O speak a kindly word each day
To whomso'er you meet;
You do not know what weary souls
Are walking down the street.

A greeting gay—or just a smile,
Heartfelt and freely given,
May cheer a soul in dire distress
And help him on toward heaven.

—Edna Mason.

Obituaries

BENBROOK—Green Berry, was born April 26, 1859, near Fayetteville, Ark., and passed away Sept. 6, 1942, at his home in Miami, Okla., at the age of 83 years.

Brother Benbrook embraced the third angel's message at the age of 82, and was one of the charter members of the Miami church, which was organized last February. His ready smile and wise counsel have been a great help to the new church there.

A quiet service was held in the First Christian church, and interment was in the G. A. R. Cemetery near Miami. The service was conducted by the writer.

H. L. HAMPTON.

Advertisements

WANTED—Work near church school. Have wife and four small children. Experienced farmer, truck driver. Prefer work on farm in good farming district where tractors are used. References furnished and required. A. R. Moore, Bradley, Arkansas.

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Gem Thought

I saw that God's people are on the enchanted ground, and that some have lost nearly all sense of the shortness of time and the worth of the soul. E. W. 120.

SUNSET CALENDAR

For Friday, October 16, 1942

Amarillo, Texas	6:12
Brownsville, Texas	6:59
Dallas, Texas	6:52
El Paso, Texas	6:35
Galveston, Texas	6:48

Little Rock, Arkansas	6:34
Muskogee, Oklahoma	6:47
New Orleans, Louisiana	6:29
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	6:55
San Antonio, Texas	6:55
Santa Fe, New Mexico	6:29
Shreveport, Louisiana	6:40

COAST TO COAST - SUNDAY EVENING

The VOICE OF PROPHECY

"And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth."
Rev. 14:6

BOX 55 - LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Letter Excerpts

Will it be tiresome if we tell you once again—this has been the best week of mail we have had—as far as experiences and conversions are concerned?

An instructor in one of our schools in British Columbia writes his appreciation for the broadcast on "the little horn." He said he had come to the same conclusion as ours from study of history and added, "Anyone who has studied history at all would know that you were referring to the Papacy though you did not mention it. I wish you would continue studies in prophecy from the book of Daniel."

"Mother has been very prejudiced against Adventists, but she is now taking your Bible Correspondence Course. She lives in Indiana. She is even using the lessons in her young peoples' work. These lessons are melting away the prejudice of many years."

Someone just now brought in this remarkable letter from Cleveland. "I would appreciate your address on Love, Courtship, and Marriage—it works. A quarrel was almost ready to break and I shouted, I love you, I love you, I love you! and the fight was postponed."

Certainly we are reminded that this is God's spirit which impresses people to support this work of faith. A listener writes, "For some inexplicable reason I feel deeply impressed to send you the enclosed \$50. Upon receipt of an acknowledgement of this money, I will immediately send you another donation."

From all over amazing new interests are coming to us. Right here where Adventists are so well known

OUR COLPORTEUR EVANGELISTS

EMANUEL REMSEN, *Union Field Secretary*

Week ending September 26, 1942

	Bk.	Hrs.	Orders	Del.
ARK.-LA., C. L. GRANDON, Sec.				
A. J. Killion	BR 61	222.50	18.75	
Clarence Morgan	GF 49		132.20	
Jeff Young	BR 45	28.75	57.90	
J. H. Wardrop	BR 43	261.25	73.00	
Bruce Wickwire	BR 42	165.00	165.00	
Mrs. M. A. Gillon	Mes. 42	18.00	18.00	
J. C. Green	BR 32	107.40	25.00	
M. L. Castine	BR 35	90.50	43.00	
Mat. Thibodeaux	BR 41	130.50	16.50	
Waybern Elder	BR 30		87.00	
Bruce Barton	BR 30		89.00	
Kate Pope	GC 20	82.50	66.50	
Mrs. J. H. Wardrop	Wat. 20	10.00	10.00	
Harry Vought	BR 17	28.50	28.50	
Olisker LeBlanc	Mes. 5	2.60	2.60	
Florence Battiste	Mes. 9	3.00	3.00	
Total		521	1150.50	836.45
TEXAS				
Plez Underdown	BR 50	226.50	100.00	
R. R. Coble	CM 45	123.75	328.50	
Jerome Lewis	BR 15	70.40		
Marion Brown	BR 29	48.75	83.25	
Imer Lillard	Misc. 34	206.00	14.25	
Alva Cadenhead	Misc. 35	131.10	8.10	
Thelma Flanagan	BR 41	93.50	50.50	
Marie Lewis	BTS 36	75.85	8.50	
Ellen Brewick	BR 20	63.25	35.75	
Elizabeth Reiter	Mag. 42	42.10	25.95	
Dorothea Raymond	BR 19	26.00	6.00	
James W. Riggs, Jr.	BR 53	17.95	81.75	
C. M. Jorgenson	Mag. 20	15.00	15.00	
Mrs. M. Perkins	Mag. 10	11.50	11.50	
Harold Turley	Mag. 57	7.02	7.02	
Mrs. C. W. Cone	Mag. 4	5.00	5.00	
Total		510	1163.67	781.07

comes this, "Is there a church which holds services on Saturday? If so, what is it's name? Is there one in the vicinity of Santa Monica, California? I should like to attend services there if possible."

And a post-mistress in Texas writes, as she completed her lesson on the Sabbath a week ago, "Please pray for me that I may have the courage to make the change that I must make. It is going to cause considerable criticism, and perhaps some tears and heartaches, but I realize it *must be done*." Now today comes this further word from her. "You will be glad to know that those lessons are bearing fruit. I have a job but I have already asked that I might have Saturdays free instead of Sundays. If I do not receive that permission, then I shall resign even though I really need a job. However, God has promised to care for His own, so I am not afraid, but happy in the consciousness of doing what is right."