

## Southwestern Union Conference Session

February 11 to 15, 1951

### OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

The sixteenth session of the Southwestern Union Conference, held February 11 and 12, was a good meeting. The session was convened in the Oklahoma City Seventh-day Adventist church, a new location for our work in that capital city of the state. Recently a sturdy, well-arranged building was purchased from another denomination, and after remodeling and redecorating, the church of nearly 500 members transferred to their new church home.

Surprisingly mild weather greeted the workers and other delegates from all sections of the union conference as they gathered in Oklahoma City for the opening meeting on Sunday evening, the eleventh. The

delightful weather was short-lived, however, turning shortly to extremely disagreeable weather. Ice, snow, and cold wind combined to encourage the delegates to remain indoors. It was possible to remain in the building the entire day, since the Dorcas sisters of the church, ever alert to needs and possibilities, had transformed the basement rooms into a kitchen and dining rooms, and there the larger part of the delegates ate their dinners and suppers.

In fairness to the workers it should be said that neither the severe weather nor convenient accommodations accounted fully for their very excellent attendance at all the meetings of the session and of the three-day ministerial institute following. A really heavy program kept the delegates occupied from 8:15 each morning until 9:30 at night, and even later on evenings when certain interesting films were shown following the regular services.

The business of the session was attended to with dispatch: It was all completed in the late afternoon of February 12. The president, Elder J. W. Turner, and his entire staff were reelected. Elder Turner's address and the treasurer's report appear in this issue of the RECORD. Other reports will be published in later issues, together with actions taken by the delegates.

Beginning the evening of the twelfth a ministerial institute was launched. Elders L. K. Dickson and H. L. Rudy, General Conference Vice-presidents, and M. K. Ecken-

roth, of the General Conference Ministerial Association, were in attendance and led out in institute work and in studies of very great interest and value to the workers. Rich blessings came to all in their attendance at session after session as these experienced leaders gave instruction and guidance. Elder J. R. Farren of the General Conference Bureau of Press Relations led out in the publicity work. As the result of his efforts, a number of articles appeared in the papers. The workers throughout the union have been strengthened by the ministerial institute which ended Thursday afternoon, February 15.

H. C. KEPHART.

#### President's Report

To the delegates and Visiting Brethren and Sisters attending the Sixteenth Session of the Southwestern Union Conference, Greetings:

As we assemble at this meeting tonight, I am sure it is with glad hearts that we express our deep gratitude to our heavenly Father for the tender care He has had over the believers in this union and in the world field since we met in conference session four years ago. I do want to say that we welcome every delegate, friend, and every member with all our hearts. We are all happy that we have been called from darkness to this glorious light of the third angel's message. Words are too feeble to express our apprecia-

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#### Union Treasurer's Report

Having come so recently to the Southwestern Union Conference, I perhaps am more impressed with what is revealed by statistics and statements than the most of you are. Yet I believe a brief survey of the information I have prepared for your consideration will be both interesting and enlightening to the delegates attending this union session. In the interests of brevity I have rather condensed reports to place in your hands.

It is worth remembering that while the most of us may come in contact with comparatively small groups—and our largest churches comprise only a few hundred members—the membership of the union has grown year by year until now we have a recorded membership of 17,034,

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Baptisms During the Quadrennium, 1947-1950

|                  | 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 4-Yr. Tot. |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------------|
| Arkansas-La.     | 328  | 301  | 229  | 184  | 1042       |
| Oklahoma         | 249  | 180  | 211  | 265  | 905        |
| Southwest Region | 325  | 156  | 211  | 181  | 873        |
| Texas            | 368  | 362  | 346  | 483  | 1559       |
| Texico           | 109  | 122  | 173  | 122  | 526        |
|                  | 1379 | 1121 | 1170 | 1235 | 4905       |

*Report of Membership Changes*

|                          | Ark.-La. | Okla. | SW.Reg. | Texas | Texico | Union |
|--------------------------|----------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| Membership, Jan. 1, 1947 | 2437     | 3404  | 1584    | 4855  | 2004   | 14284 |
| Added by:                |          |       |         |       |        |       |
| Baptisms                 | 1042     | 905   | 873     | 1559  | 526    | 4905  |
| Profession of Faith      | 110      | 152   | 66      | 157   | 68     | 553   |
| Letter                   | 1211     | 1004  | 211     | 1669  | 1041   | 5136  |
| Total Added              | 2363     | 2061  | 1150    | 3385  | 1635   | 10594 |

|               | Ark.-La. | Okla. | SW.Reg. | Texas | Texico | Union |
|---------------|----------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| Dropped by:   |          |       |         |       |        |       |
| Death         | 88       | 165   | 84      | 192   | 66     | 595   |
| Apostasy      | 286      | 143   | 178     | 371   | 163    | 1141  |
| Letter        | 1266     | 1156  | 220     | 1879  | 1036   | 5557  |
| Missing       | 178      | 122   | 87      | 84    | 80     | 551   |
| Total Dropped | 1818     | 1586  | 569     | 2526  | 1345   | 7844  |

|                           |      |      |      |      |      |       |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Membership, Dec. 31, 1950 | 2982 | 3879 | 2165 | 5714 | 2294 | 17034 |
| Net Gain                  | 545  | 475  | 581  | 859  | 290  | 2750  |

*Yearly Tithe Receipts by Conferences*

|          | 1947      | 1948      | 1949      | 1950      | 4-Yr. Tot. |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Ark.-La. | 172107.37 | 206460.39 | 205030.77 | 216411.64 | 800010.17  |
| Oklahoma | 223783.24 | 244830.58 | 243445.73 | 226907.91 | 938967.46  |
| SW Reg.  | 70773.59  | 79871.77  | 89068.95  | 94193.92  | 333908.23  |
| Texas    | 346407.72 | 362480.81 | 388780.35 | 401756.50 | 1499425.38 |
| Texico   | 129550.58 | 143976.31 | 145534.95 | 169490.36 | 588552.20  |

|                                |              |            |            |            |            |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Union Tot.                     | 942622.50    | 1037619.86 | 1071860.75 | 1108760.33 | 4160863.44 |
| Compared with Previous 5 Years | (3435718.50) |            |            |            |            |

*Report of Mission Offerings by Years*

|          | 1947      | 1948      | 1949      | 1950      | 4-Yr. Tot. |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Ark.-La. | 67346.62  | 76560.61  | 85004.95  | 86130.36  | 315042.54  |
| Oklahoma | 75203.45  | 90226.91  | 103434.38 | 100055.74 | 368920.48  |
| SW Reg.  | 30584.01  | 34151.39  | 41030.56  | 45980.43  | 151746.39  |
| Texas    | 111939.17 | 126583.86 | 128771.98 | 139842.13 | 507137.14  |
| Texico   | 46831.20  | 50667.95  | 53681.16  | 64475.73  | 215656.04  |

|                                |              |           |           |           |            |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Union Tot.                     | 331904.45    | 378190.72 | 411923.03 | 436484.39 | 1558502.59 |
| Compared with Previous 5 Years | (1226365.92) |           |           |           |            |

grouped together in 228 churches. Four years ago, at the beginning of this quadrennium, we had a membership of 14,284. Accessions by baptism and on profession of faith aggregated 5,458, an average of 1,364 a year, a very encouraging development. I dislike to refer to our losses which cut down these very ex-

cellent gains. During the four years we sustained losses through apostasy of 1,141, besides which 551 were dropped as missing members. Death claimed 595. Then still another avenue of loss to us is by transfer. Every conference except Texico suffered a loss in members transferring out of the field in excess of those

coming into the territory, and Texico gained just 5 in four years' time. So counting all losses, we have made a net gain in membership during the quadrennial period of 19.3%, while new members represented 38.2% of the membership at the beginning of 1947. (The 4-1 year summary for each conference will tell each of you how your conference has grown.)

In our great union there are a thousand souls to every Seventh-day Adventist member. Our 228 churches, if spread out so that no two were in the same county, would each have a number of counties to evangelize. The churches are not so evenly distributed, nor is the population evenly concentrated in the environment of each church; so the task of our members is not only to work for others whom they may personally contact, but to also work co-operatively with all their seventeen thousand fellow members in giving the millions of people in city and country an opportunity to learn God's last-day message.

Upon workers in this union rests a heavy responsibility to engage in evangelism and to lead our members and our churches to work effectively for the evangelization of our vast territory. With the facilities our conference leaders will provide

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**SOUTHWESTERN UNION CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**

Comparative Year-End Statements for the Quadrennial Period, 1947-1950

| ASSETS                      | 1947              | 1948              | 1949              | 1950              |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Current:</b>             |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Cash and Bank               | 80,704.59         | 73,166.45         | 131,787.77        | 112,259.08        |
| Accounts Receivable         | 2,848.82          | 30,457.02         | 363.63            | 1,478.26          |
| Securities                  | 30,000.00         | 40,000.00         | 40,000.00         | 50,000.00         |
| Supplies Inventories        | 1,371.85          | 1,563.52          | 2,145.06          | 2,981.00          |
| Prepaid Expenses            | 51.00             | 2,781.66          | 92.00             | 50.00             |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b> | <b>114,976.26</b> | <b>147,968.65</b> | <b>174,388.46</b> | <b>166,768.34</b> |
| <b>Fixed:</b>               |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Furniture & Equipment       | 5,004.55          | 5,038.04          | 4,201.72          | 3,940.35          |
| <b>Total Assets</b>         | <b>119,980.81</b> | <b>153,006.69</b> | <b>178,590.18</b> | <b>170,708.69</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>          |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Accounts Payable            | 905.00            | 475.00            | 885.00            | 507.66            |
| Trust Funds                 | 58,436.51         | 75,017.13         | 95,464.18         | 66,855.67         |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>    | <b>59,341.51</b>  | <b>75,492.13</b>  | <b>96,349.18</b>  | <b>67,363.33</b>  |
| <b>NET WORTH</b>            |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Regular Net Worth           | 23,725.76         | 75,986.69         | 82,035.79         | 99,146.37         |
| Surplus Reserves            | 36,913.54         | 1,527.37          | 205.21            | 4,198.49          |
| <b>Total Net Worth</b>      | <b>60,639.30</b>  | <b>77,514.56</b>  | <b>82,241.00</b>  | <b>103,345.36</b> |

**TREASURER'S STATEMENT**

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that the condensed Balance Sheets and Operating Statements herewith submitted for the period 1947 to 1950 inclusive have been compiled from the annual statements of the Southwestern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Southwestern Union Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists. The yearly records and statements for each year except 1950 have been audited by the General Conference Auditor. The statement for 1950 had not been prepared when the Auditor visited us. The report as submitted, however, in my opinion, presents fairly the financial condition of the organizations as of December 31, 1950, and the results of the operation for the four-year period ending at that time.

Fort Worth, Texas,  
February 7, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. C. Kephart, Treasurer

for a number of our workers, to enable them to do a strong work in evangelistic endeavor, much may be accomplished. But if every one of our field and office workers could be freed to engage actively in evangelism, our combined efforts, so far as we can measure our influence, would extend to a pitifully small portion of our large population. Those who are working with our churches can multiply the force of laborers as more and more of our seventeen thousand members are trained to add their efforts to those of ministers and church officers.

Let none overlook the fact that every phase of our organized work contributes to a greater potential in evangelism. The activities of every department are very important to

the common task. When the Home Missionary Department stresses the securing of enrollments for the Bible school, or pulls for wider circulation of missionary literature, or urges the reaching of even larger Ingathering goals, that is not just "departmentalizing," it is helping to evangelize. So does the work of every department contribute to the overall program.

Likewise it is the responsibility not only of the conference president, but of every worker to teach by precept and example, faithfulness on the part of all members in paying a full tithe. That portion of the tithe which is retained in the local conference may or may not enable the officers to send more companies into the evangelistic field. It

is gratifying to observe the increase in the tithe, year by year, over nearly the entire union. Four years ago the union treasurer mentioned that the 1946 tithe showed a tendency to level off, and he felt unable to predict what 1947 and later years would offer. But now we note that during the last four years the tithe in the union exceeded the total for the previous five years by almost three-quarters of a million dollars. Increased membership accounts for some of this, of course. But per capita comparisons reveal increased earnings per individual, and also indicate continued faithfulness.

A glance at our four-year report of mission offerings shows encouraging advance, too. The 1950 total of \$436,484.39 compares very favorably with the 1942 total of \$155,637.04. The increase is 180% in the short space of eight years. The Ingathering accounts for a large part of the increase. Incidentally, the Ingathering project is a very essential part of our denominational program. Not only does it prove a blessing to our people in sending them out to contact the public; it is good for people to have their attention called to our distinctive work; it is a mighty factor in financing the world program of the church; then it makes possible the extension of the work in the local field, through the portion that reverts to the local conference. This enables your conference administration to provide for building up the work in new sections when the regular operating funds will not finance particular advance projects.

It is not necessary to read the many items appearing even in as condensed a report as is furnished. Each of you can read for himself and note the comparative figures. It may be sufficient to observe that the union has shared its funds rather generously with the conferences, and that the General Conference has been very liberal in making funds available to us to use in building up the various interests.

I would like to point out that the union, while responsive to the needs in the institutions and local fields, as evidenced by the appropriations, has gradually strengthened its financial position. The working capital, that is, the excess of current assets over liabilities, has near-

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Operating Statement

For Quadrennial Period Ending December 31, 1950

|   | 1947             | 1948              | 1949              | 1950              | 4-Yr.<br>Tot.     |
|---|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>INCOME</b>                             |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Tithe Received                            | 94,262.53        | 103,762.00        | 107,185.99        | 110,876.03        | 416,086.55        |
| Interest                                  | 890.51           | 860.64            | 1,144.91          | 1,022.49          | 3,918.55          |
| Misc.                                     | 100.00           | 91.70             |                   | 69.03             | 260.73            |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>95,253.04</b> | <b>104,714.34</b> | <b>108,330.90</b> | <b>111,967.55</b> | <b>420,265.83</b> |
| (Oper. Income)                            |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>EXPENSE</b>                            |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Laborers' Salary<br>and Expense           | 39,062.23        | 34,915.32         | 36,887.47         | 34,413.07         | 145,278.09        |
| Admin. & General                          | 6,492.54         | 9,426.14          | 9,709.21          | 9,322.03          | 34,949.92         |
| Departmental Exp.                         | 542.26           | 679.50            | 1,159.09          | 321.19            | 2,702.04          |
| Approp. Made                              | 19,379.25        | 23,790.38         | 20,388.01         | 25,973.98         | 89,531.62         |
| % of Tithe                                | 16,978.46        | 18,689.73         | 19,306.28         | 19,971.81         | 74,946.28         |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>82,454.74</b> | <b>87,501.07</b>  | <b>87,450.06</b>  | <b>90,002.08</b>  | <b>347,407.95</b> |
| (Operating Expense)                       |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Oper. Gain                                | 12,798.30        | 17,213.27         | 20,880.84         | 21,965.47         | 72,857.88         |
| <b>APPROPRIATIONS RECEIVED</b>            |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Regular Appropriations                    |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| General Conf.                             | 6,800.00         | 5,000.00          | 5,000.00          | 5,000.00          | 21,800.00         |
| S. P. A. Subsidy,<br>Salaries             | 2,782.00         | 3,006.43          | 2,990.04          | 2,012.50          | 10,790.97         |
| Misc. Approp. Rec'd.                      | 3,203.97         |                   |                   | 1,170.83          | 4,374.80          |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>12,785.97</b> | <b>8,006.43</b>   | <b>7,990.04</b>   | <b>8,183.33</b>   | <b>36,965.77</b>  |
| (Subsidies Received)                      |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Oper. Gain<br>(Including Approp.)         | 25,584.27        | 25,219.70         | 28,870.88         | 30,148.80         | 109,823.65        |
| <b>NON-OPERATING INCOME &amp; EXPENSE</b> |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Expense                                   | 24,572.51        |                   | 22,821.78         | 13,037.72         | 60,432.01         |
| Net Increase to Reg.<br>Net Worth         | 1,011.76         | 25,219.70         | 6,049.10          | 17,111.08         | 49,391.64         |

should come. The union stands ready to come to the assistance of any local conference with financial aid in case of emergency.

With the dedication of our funds to God's great work, and with our hearts completely surrendered to the promptings of His Spirit, let us move forward as rapidly as possible in carrying out the great commission. God's cause will triumph soon. We may be the instruments to bring to the kingdom a large harvest from the Southwest.

H. C. KEPHART.

**President's Report**

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tion for all the Lord has done for us.

As we gather here tonight we find ourselves assembled together in one of the darkest hours in the history of the world. War, bloodshed, crime, strikes, race hatred, earthquakes, floods, fear, jealousy, sorrow, broken homes, national hatred, and sin are seen on every side.

The past four years have certainly been trying years for the cause of God in all lands. In this union we have faced many perplexities and problems without number. In them all the Lord has been good to us and His work in the union has made advancement. While we are not satisfied with what we have been able to accomplish, yet we have done our best and we rejoice that a beginning has been made.

We are living in a time when our faith in divine guidance must not rest on the shifting sands of material prosperity, but on the fundamental facts of God's overruling providence in the history of His people. With the beginning we have made, and with the privilege of meeting together as workers, I am sure every heart will be reconsecrated to God so we can soon finish the work entrusted to us.

We are convinced that the day is fast approaching when the heavens will roll back as a scroll and the Son of man will appear to gather unto Himself a people without spot and wrinkle. I am sure it is the desire of every person here to be numbered among those who will be ready to meet Him when He appears.

We have only words of commendation to speak for the workers and the laity in our field. Many times

ly doubled by the close of 1950 over the position in 1947.

The four-year operating statement shows that the main changes have been in the income and in the appropriations made to the fields. Our chief income is the tithe, not the entire tithe from our people, of course, but just one-tenth of the tithe received by the conferences. Laborers' Salary and Expense, Administrative and General Expense, and Departmental Expense have not been materially increased during this quadrennium. Including the funds appropriated to the union, the organization has realized an annual operating gain ranging from \$25,000 to \$30,000, and a substantial part of the gains have gone into trust

funds from which special appropriations may be made, or to build up the financial strength of the Corporation, which is our holding organization.

The union conference committee, which includes the president of each conference, carefully administers the funds of the union conference. It is recognized that the money channeled to the union belongs to the entire field, and it is the constant purpose to apportion impartially any funds that accumulate, so that as many needs as possible may be supplied. At the same time a fair surplus is desired at all times as a guarantee that the work in a local field or institution might not be jeopardized if sudden reserves

during the past four years my heart has been cheered as we have learned from the reports of the workers that many souls have been won for the Master.

There is no phase of our work that is as interesting as the winning of souls. There is no greater joy that can come to any heart than that of seeing men and women saved. Just before the Master left this world, He gave the commission to His children to go into all the world and preach the gospel. That commission is our commission today. Our responsibility and duty is to evangelize the world, and let men and women know that the end of all things is at hand.

We are happy to report that through the combined efforts of our workers, thousands of souls in this union have been told of the soon-coming Saviour. During the past four years 4,903 souls have gone forward in the ordinance of baptism. These souls have been a great blessing to the various conferences. Many new churches have been added, and we believe a brighter day is ahead for the membership of the field. The union membership now stands at 17,034. During the past nine years we have had a gain of 5,182.

#### Personnel

Few changes have been made in the union laboring force. Elder Emanuel Remsen, publishing department secretary, because of illness in the family, was forced to go to the Coast. Elder R. G. Campbell from the Canadian Union was invited to take his place. He remained with us a short time, and then accepted a call to the Lake Union. The committee then called Elder J. J. Strahle to fill the vacancy. He has had many years of experience in the publishing work. His work in both foreign and home lands makes him a valuable man in the department. During the past four years \$990,306.50 worth of our literature has been sold and delivered by our colporteurs.

Another major change was made last fall. Elder J. C. Kozel, who served so faithfully as secretary-treasurer, accepted a call to the managership of Walla Walla College. The union sustained a real loss in this call, but we were very fortunate in getting Elder H. C. Kephart, manager of the Southern Publishing Association. Elder Kephart has had

many years' experience as a union secretary-treasurer-auditor. He will make a strong leader and counselor in this important position. He will give us a full report of the standing of the union, and I am sure we will all appreciate the financial condition that the union is in at the present time.

Our home missionary and Sabbath school departments have been carried by Elder H. M. Burwell. His efforts have been appreciated. The success of the various campaigns such as Ingathering, *Signs of the Times*, *Our Times*, and the steady climb in Sabbath school offerings are proof that these departments are being blessed of heaven.

Our educational and missionary volunteer departments have made healthy gains during the past four years. Elder W. A. Howe has been very efficient in his work. His interest in the departments and his untiring efforts have proven a great blessing to our young people. Our schools, now numbering 81, are doing well. The teachers and students are of good courage, and the educational work in the Southwest stands at the head in the North American Division. Our young people are well organized into the various societies and God is blessing their efforts. We feel that Professor Howe's influence in the departments has meant much in the helping of our youth.

All our departmental men have spent many hours on trains, in conferences, and in churches helping out in the program. Their efforts have been greatly appreciated, and we believe many souls will be in the kingdom as the result of the efforts put forth. The department secretaries will give full reports at this meeting, showing how God is blessing in their work.

Our conference officers, ministers, Bible workers, teachers, colporteurs, and the departments have all done much to get a people ready to meet the soon-coming Saviour. Brethren, I am convinced that the day is not far in the future when He shall appear. Many of us have been praying that God will visit this gathering and that something will come from this session to help us all to sense more keenly the shortness of time and the importance of our getting nearer the Lord. Surely the day has come for a revival and reformation. May every delegate return to his field of labor from this

gathering to be a burning torch for the finishing of our work.

#### Institutions

I am very happy that I can say a word at this time about our college and the Spanish-American Seminary. The Lord is blessing these institutions and the young people of the Southwestern Union are certainly proud of these schools. Elder J. V. Peters is president of Southwestern Junior College, and Brother J. Randall Sloop is the business manager. Elder I. M. Vacquer is principal and manager of the Spanish-American Seminary. It is indeed encouraging to see how these schools have been built up in the last four years. We now have the largest enrollment in the history of both of these institutions. The brethren will give detailed reports tomorrow showing the progress that has been made at both schools.

#### Financial

I want to say just a word in regard to the tithes and offerings. The Lord has indeed opened the windows of heaven and poured out a blessing upon our dear people as the result of their paying a faithful tithe. During the four-year term \$4,160,865.50 has been paid into the treasury in tithe, while we have sent on to the General Conference for the mission fields \$1,558,502.59. This includes the Ingathering, Sabbath school, and other offerings. Elder Kephart will give you a full report of the funds of the union. I am happy to say that the union closed the four-year period with an operating surplus of nearly \$100,000.00.

#### Our Conferences

In the Southwestern Union we have five well-organized conferences, covering the five states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico. Elder F. O. Sanders is president of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference; Elder H. C. Klement of Oklahoma; Elder N. R. Dower of Texas; Elder C. G. Gordon of Texico; and Elder W. W. Fordham of the Southwest Region. These men will have short reports to give at this meeting.

I am happy to say that all our conferences are free from debt, and each one has a nice operating surplus. While they do not have large surpluses, yet we appreciate the fact that our wise and faithful leaders in these fields have prepared for perplexities ahead.

*Workers*

I want at this time to say a word about our workers, which includes our field men, district leaders, pastors, teachers, colporteurs, and office workers. God has been near to them and they have done a good work. Their efforts have been appreciated, and tonight I want to express the happy feeling that we have, for being privileged to work with so loyal a group of strong Christian men and women. You have done your work well and in a little while from this, I am sure every worker will hear the words, "Well done."

There has been an excellent spirit prevailing in the entire union. Every worker has given the fullest cooperation. We believe this meeting will mean much to our work, for with the spirit of cooperation in our hearts we all stand ready to seek God for an outpouring of His Spirit, and for a deeper Christian experience. We believe that if we have a real taste of heavenly things, the spirit of evangelism will sweep our ranks and we shall soon finish the work the Lord has given us to do.

And now I bring this short report to a close by mentioning—

*Our Needs*

They are many, but the thing we all have need of most is a deeper consecration of our lives, our all, to the cause we love so well. We need more workers, and we need more evangelistic work done in our churches. Our churches need a closer walk with Christ. Every member of our union needs to feel keenly the responsibility that rests upon him in helping to finish the work God has given him.

And now I want to express our sincere appreciation for the good spirit and cooperation that has existed among our workers and our people. We have all appreciated the many prayers that have ascended in behalf of the work in this field.

May this conference session be all that God expects of it, and may we lay all upon the altar so we will be ready to meet our soon-coming Saviour.

J. W. TURNER.

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**Change of Personnel**

It is my privilege to introduce to the constituency of the Southwest-

ern Union Conference Elder H. P. Evens, the new general manager of the Southern Publishing Association.

Upon my acceptance of an invitation to connect with the Southwestern Union as secretary-treasurer, the publishing house board invited Elder Evens to take the management of this institution. He accepted, and with his wife is now located at Nashville, and has assumed his new duties.

Elder Evens has served in various positions of responsibility in the Orient and in North America. Part of his foreign service was spent as manager of the Japanese publishing house. The past few years he was the manager of the Canadian press in Oshawa, Ontario. Elder Evens brings to his new position his wide experience. He will be a good leader for this important institution.

I regret to announce at this time that Elder Stanley Harris is leaving the Southern Publishing Association to serve in the Religious Liberty Department of the General Conference. Elder Harris has for several years been the editor of *Our Times*, and he has produced an excellent evangelistic journal.

While he was connected with the publishing house, Elder Harris attended camp meetings in several conferences in the Southwest. Also, he has preached in a number of the churches, so a good many of our members have made his acquaintance. They will be sorry to learn of his move, yet all will wish him special blessings as he takes up work in another branch of the service.

And now as Mrs. Kephart and I locate at Fort Worth, and as I enter upon the duties in the union, while carrying a continuing interest in the important publishing program with which I have been associated these past seven years, I shall do my best to serve the great Southwestern Union. In this territory a strong work has been built up, but we must think in terms of doing much more, for the hour is late, and there are multitudes in our union who must be given an opportunity to hear the gospel call. Each one of us, out to the extreme ends of the union, has a responsibility. I am happy for the privilege of being a little more closely associated with the members and the workers in the Southwest.

H. C. KEPHART.



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**Gems for Thought**

"There are many, who, because of prejudice, will never know the truth unless it is brought to their homes. The canvasser may find these souls and minister to them."

*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, page 314.

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**Report From the Little Rock District**

A soul-winning program for 1951 was launched in the Little Rock church and highlighted by a baptismal service on the first Sabbath of the new year. This is the keynote to be sounded in the work of every society in the church. An excellent Missionary Volunteer "Share Your Faith" campaign under the leadership of Brother T. M. Lewins, one of the local elders of the church, is translating Christian principles into Christian activity and enlisting the aid of the junior and senior young people.

Sister Westermeyer, leader of the Dorcas work, is emphasizing service to the community as the theme for this year. She is continuing the helpful program already started and the sisters of the church can always be counted on to perform.

Since the Ingathering campaign was officially begun in the early part of November by our conference, the members in the district have been working steadily to finish the part apportioned to them. Brother Rogers, a deacon in Little Rock, has visited more than four hundred homes that comprise the suburb of Levy and left literature in every one of the homes. He has more than doubled a Minute-Man goal. With the church goal in sight, two thirds of the members are Minute Men and we are striving to fulfill the slogan, "Every Member a Minute Man in 1951."

J. C. POWERS.

## Report From the Fort Smith District

Sabbath, January 20, was indeed a happy day for the Fort Smith church, for we saw six souls unite themselves in covenant relationship with the Sabbathkeeping remnant of God. Four of this group—a young couple, a business college student, and the husband of one of our young church officers—were baptized in our baptistery. Two others, a man and his wife from another state, came back into the fold of the true shepherd determined to win the kingdom of God and eternal life. We rejoice as we see God's Spirit working in the hearts of people preparing them for the time of testing that is before us. There are about five or six others who are studying the message and we are confident that these too will take their stand for truth and for Christ.

One of our lay members and his wife are leaving for the spring term of school at Collegedale, Tennessee, having heard the call of the Master to a higher service. We shall miss Brother and Sister C. L. Beason, but our most sincere wishes for success will go with them as they leave us for a while.

Much of our time for the last several months has been directed toward getting our Ingathering goal, but with that out of the way, we plan to turn our energies toward public evangelism as soon as the weather will permit tent meetings. The Lord is blessing His work, although there are many trials. We will look forward to progress and a deepening spiritual power in our own lives and in the lives of our laity. Pray for us here.

C. RAY HOLDEN.

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## Church Officers' Meeting

For the southern part of Louisiana there will be held in the New Orleans S. D. A. church, 3500 St. Charles Avenue, a church officers' meeting on Sabbath afternoon, February 24, at 2:30 until 4:30.

W. H. WESTERMEYER.

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## Dorcas Federation Meetings

Southern—New Orleans S. D. A. church, 3500 St. Charles Avenue, Sunday, February 25, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

West Central—Monroe S. D. A.

church, 1201 South Second, Wednesday, February 28, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

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## 1951 Ingathering Success

We wish to express to our district pastors and to our laity our wholehearted thankfulness for your cooperation in the 1951 Ingathering. We started out with the rally call, "Let's get it done by February, '51."

The spirit and power of the living God has characterized this campaign as never before. We reverently thank God for this success and we pray that God will bless the funds raised to hasten the end of the reign of sin.

On January 31, 1951, the total amount reported was \$39,465.05; this is \$355.05 over our \$39,110.00 goal. At the time of this writing the report indicates that we have passed the \$40,000 mark. Eight of our fourteen districts have reached or passed the \$100 overflow goal. Over \$500 has come in from the conference church members.

The spirit to work for an overflow is indicative of the latter rain. In Joel 2:24 where it speaks about the latter rain, God has promised an overflow of wine and oil; and in the 23rd Psalm we have further assurance of an overflow, "my cup runneth over."

Requests have been made to use money gathered over the basic goal by the Ingathering method for local purposes. The General Conference has discouraged such use of Ingathering funds. Money gathered with the magazines, singing band leaflets, and cans should faithfully be turned into the church treasury as Ingathering.

Just a word about follow-up work. "Thank you" cards are greatly appreciated and will prepare the donor for the next campaign. And wherever possible, a year's subscription to those donors of substantial amounts will lead to excellent results. We want to suggest the *Liberty* magazine, *Our Times*, and the *Signs of the Times* as good reading matter for those who show faith in our cause.

For your own benefit, we encourage you to make a complete record in your loose-leaf record book of all donors, the amount received, who solicited the donation, et cetera.

Such information is invaluable when the next campaign arrives.

Again we say, "thank you" for your part in making possible this success for the cause of God.

W. H. WESTERMEYER.

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## Fort Smith Juniors Give Bible Studies

"With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world! How soon might the end come,—the end of suffering and sorrow and sin!" *Education*, p. 271.

"Youthful talent, well organized and well trained, is needed in our churches. The youth will do something with their overflowing energies. Unless these energies are directed into right channels, they will be used by the youth in a way that will hurt their own spirituality, and prove an injury to those with whom they associate." *Gospel Workers*, p. 211.

The youth of the Fort Smith church school are sharing their faith by holding two Bible studies each week in the homes of those interested in our message.

The students of the fifth through the eighth grades (as shown in the picture) give the studies in one home. They take turns giving the studies and are accompanied by Brother Arthur Paul and the school teacher. The men answered questions and comment as the students read the texts when they are shown on the film strip. After some visits with the pastor, one of the young men who has been attending these meetings was baptized.

The other study is given by the school teacher who takes some of the younger students with him to observe. In this way the younger





students who want to share their faith, can do so by their presence and interest. One lady who had been out of the church for several years became a member of our church again last week, as a result of the work of this group.

We now have two new families taking studies and the interest is good. The students are very enthusiastic in this project and ask an interest in the prayers of all Christian people that God will bless our efforts to lead others to Him.

DICK LISTON.

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### Harrison District

About two months ago we were asked to come to Harrison and lead out in the new district which was organized at that time. Up until this time the Harrison church was in the Gentry district.

We enjoyed our work very much in the Shreveport district, working with Elder J. R. Hoffman for nearly a year and a half, and it was hard to say good-bye to the many friends we had made in that district. But we are making new friends here and are of good courage.

As we came into this new district we looked forward with great interest to our work here in this beautiful part of the Ozarks, although we also recognized the great responsibility connected with a new district.

Our first project was the Ingathering. It was a challenge to us, because the Ingathering had always been done after the first of the year. But we started with singing bands and out-of-town soliciting, and before three weeks had passed the Harrison district had reached their goal (before Christmas) and also had a \$100 overflow. The Lord was truly with us.

At present the church is laying strong plans for an evangelistic meeting as soon as weather conditions permit. Already the attendance at our Sabbath services has increased so that we will have to find more seats or else find another place to meet where we will have more room. We are meeting in a schoolhouse now, but are planning for the erection of a church and a school on the lots that have already been purchased.

It is thrilling to see those who are hungering for the truth, come out to

church and ask for help to get ready so that they may become members with us. We are planning a fine baptism in the near future.

At the present time we are holding meetings in a school building about eight miles from here. The farmers in that community signed a petition requesting the Seventh-day Adventist minister to come hold meetings in their school building. The building was not equipped with electricity, so one of the neighbors there paid for all the materials that were needed and also helped wire the school for electric lights so we could hold meetings there. There is a good interest, and we ask an interest in your prayers that God will give us victory in the hearts of these honest people.

We invite all those who have friends and relatives in the Harrison vicinity to let us know their names so that we may contact them. Our address is 623 W. Nicholson Street, Harrison, Arkansas. Our courage is good, and it will be made stronger by your prayers in our behalf.

LEE J. MEIDINGER.



525 N. W. 13th St. Oklahoma City, Okla.  
H. C. Klement, President  
O. J. Bell, Sec.-Treas.

### Special Offering—Sabbath, February 24

For some time we have needed to make better provisions for our primary and kindergarten groups at camp meeting, and our tents for these departments are worn out. We are planning to put up two buildings as inexpensively as possible to take care of these two groups at our campground. I am sure that all our people in the conference would like to help in this. The cost for the material alone for these two buildings, will be about \$1500.

I trust that a very liberal offering will be received in each church on Sabbath, February 24.

H. C. KLEMENT.

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### Ingathering Progresses

The churches are well organized for intensive and thorough Ingather-

ing work. In helping in three churches this past week, I found a fine spirit and willingness to work. The slogan "\$21 in '51" is taking hold of our people everywhere. The word is, "If we can't raise it all, we'll give what is lacking." With that determination on the part of our members, we feel assured of victory. As this article is being written, the ministers are coming in from all parts of the Southwestern Union for the union session. The Oklahoma workers are coming prepared to give a church-by-church report of the Ingathering to date. This will reveal how well the work is progressing. A good start, which has produced half of the conference goal, indicates a record finish in a short while. We are not intent upon making a goal, or in establishing a new high record, except as our people are convinced that the "coming of the Lord draweth nigh" and that we must finish the work of the Lord quickly, and much more rapidly than it is being done.

This is the time for our churches and isolated members to come to the help of the Lord. The harvest is ripe, but the laborers are few. Let every member be a laborer for Christ in this Ingathering campaign, a work in which all can have a part. Let every member set his heart on obtaining at least \$21 before he considers his work is done for '51. The Lord will bless you as he is blessing others who are going out in this grand campaign for funds for His work.

J. C. CHRISTENSON.

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### The Eastern Association of M. V. Societies

"In all my nineteen years as custodian of this auditorium, your group is the finest and cleanest I have known!" So commented an observer of Seventh-day Adventist youth at the February 3 meeting of the Eastern Oklahoma Association of Missionary Volunteers at Sand Springs.

The all-day meeting began with Sabbath school at 9:30. Host to the young people gathering from the eastern Oklahoma area was the Sand Springs Sabbath school. Elder L. A. Skinner, associate secretary of the General Conference young people's department, brought a timely message entitled, "Spiritual



Dynamics." "The power of God, to change sinners into saints, eclipses all other spiritual phenomena." His evening subject, to which the public had been invited, was "Truth for Modern Youth."

The afternoon session consisted of demonstrations by different societies on the proper method of missionary endeavor. "Publicity hour" which followed resulted in 2,000 invitations to the public to attend the evening session. These were attached to the door knobs of Sand Springs residences. The Southwestern Junior College male quartet presented a special music program in the evening service in addition to the special music of the eleven o'clock hour. This feature was especially enjoyed by those present.

Lunch was served at the noon hour in the high school cafeteria, and preceding the evening service sandwiches and punch were available.

All present enjoyed this quarterly meeting. Plans were laid for the next session to be held in May at Ketchum. Their theme is to be: "Going Home." T. O. WILLEY.

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### Church Officers' Meetings

We have endeavored to include every church in the conference in one of the several church officers' meetings held in various sections of the state, and we have received many expressions of gratitude for the help we have been able to give. Any Sabbath school officers or home missionary officers who were not able to attend one of these meetings, missed out on instructional pamphlets and question-and-answer periods. The pamphlets are still available for the asking.

For the most part, we have a corps of new officers in the churches, and they will want to do their very best to improve on the records of their predecessors; not for the sake of a record, but for the sake of greater efficiency in the discharge of the duties to which they were elected, and for encouraging greater generosity toward the Lord's work. In the final analysis, it is the church officers upon whom rests the burden of presenting the needs of the work of the Lord in a way that will cause us all to do our very best to make available sufficient means to speed the gospel to the world, and finish God's work.

We are one year nearer the return of our Lord, and the shortness of time demands haste and liberality. We are reminded that when Jesus comes, "He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people. Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice." Psalm 50:4, 5.

Let us work untiringly to make 1951 the banner year in Ingathering for missions, and thus hasten the coming of the Lord.

J. C. CHRISTENSON.

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### 20th Century Bible Correspondence School

We are glad to present Mrs. Betty Jones, Oklahoma City, as the first 20th Century Bible student to be baptized in 1951.



Mrs. Jones first became acquainted with this truth when she started working as a nurse's aide in an Oklahoma City hospital. There she met Mrs. Perry Smith, a member of the Oklahoma City church. Mrs. Jones' husband, who is in the army, had just left for Korea and Mrs. Smith was surely a friend in need. She invited Mrs. Jones to attend our meetings and enrolled her in the 20th Century Bible course.

Later Mrs. O. J. Bell, Oklahoma Conference Bible worker, started studies with Mrs. Jones. She was baptized Sabbath, February 3.

BERNICE MALONE.



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Seventh-day Adventists.

### A Call to Prayer and Evangelism

"Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into

the house of the Lord your God, and cry unto the Lord." Joel 1:14.

Never in all the history of the church has this appeal come with greater force than to us today. The times in which we live are most solemn, and the responsibilities which we face are most challenging: Quickly a world must be warned, and we must arouse to our heaven-appointed task. The hour has struck for a mighty advance to be made by the church of God, and we feel constrained to call upon all workers and members to enlist in consecrated service.

First, we appeal to all our people throughout the entire field to engage in fervent prayer for the blessings of the Lord to rest upon us and especially upon our great evangelistic drive which is to be launched the night of March 4. We have set aside Sabbath, March 3, as the day to call a solemn assembly and for God's people to fast and pray in preparation for the promised blessings of heaven. We appeal to our people to follow this up by participating in a state-wide noon-day prayer circle, and wherever possible, at that time, to join a prayer group. The burden of our prayers should be the evangelization of our conference. We should pray for every effort being held whether by workers or laymen. We should pray for the spirit of genuine revival to take hold of the church. Will you not join us in this united effort in behalf of the speedy finishing of the Lord's work?

Secondly, we appeal to all our members to enter into some phase of soul-winning endeavor. Let us each purpose to "win one in fifty one." Let us distribute literature, give Bible studies, hold cottage meetings, and anything else we can to win souls to Christ! Let us start a united campaign to invite our friends and neighbors to the public meetings and to our church services. Let us show by our zeal that we believe that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

The time has come for our ministers to devote more and still more of their time to soul winning. The time has come for our laymen to carry more and still more of the church responsibilities. We must now join wholeheartedly in following the blueprint given this people by the Lord. Let us fulfill the in-

spired prediction that thousands of our members would be seen going from home to home opening the word of God.

This is a call to prayer and evangelism which we wish to sound throughout the entire field. Let us as Christians act in concert, moving forward as one; under the direction of one power; for the accomplishment of one purpose; and we will move thousands toward the Lord and His precious truth.

Organize a prayer group—join in a state-wide noon-day prayer circle—pray for our efforts—engage in soul-winning work. Let us make this our first business as we strive to double our membership within the next four years.

N. R. DOWER.

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### Texas M. V. Calendar

February 24—Gulf M. V. Association Meeting in Houston at 3 p.m. and an evening social.

March 3—"E" Day for Texas Evangelism.

March 10—M. V. Day—Operation Doorbell with *God's D Day*.

March 10 - 17—Week of Prayer.

March 26 - 30—Valley Grande Academy Week of Prayer.

March 31—Valley Investiture Service.

HAROLD W. JEWKES.

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### A Good Sign

Automobile makers, gasoline companies, ship builders, all manufacturers of national or international reputation, those who take great pride in the quality of their product, have their own emblems. A sign whereby their particular product can be recognized at a glance.

A missionary-minded church has a sign whereby anyone can recognize at a glance the missionary zeal of that particular church. It is a very familiar sign among Seventh-day Adventists. It is written in four words. *Signs of the Times*. A good Seventh-day Adventist will maintain one for himself and pass many on to his friends. Many *Signs* are a sign of missionary zeal. No *Signs* is a bad sign.

February 17 to 24 is the time to launch our *Signs Crusade*. Again this year there will be a special price rate. It will be \$1.75 for a

### Don't Miss This

The North Texas Singpiration, sponsored by the M. V. Societies of North Texas, will be held in the church at Keene, Texas, Sabbath afternoon, February 24. The time is 3:30. Come and bring your friends!

M. V. officers, see that your society is represented with some special music. Let's have some good quartets, trios, and duets, and some enthusiastic song leaders.

MRS. ALTUS HAYES.

year's subscription. This is the same as last year's price. It will be much higher than this when the campaign is over. What better gift can you send to your relatives and friends, and to those who are on your prayer list than the *Signs*? It will be a sign to them that you are interested in their spirituality.

Again, the best sign and church can possibly have in a doctor's office, a barber shop, or a depot is "*Signs of the Times, Free, Take One.*" Let's be proud of and display freely the sign of our missionary zeal, *Signs of the Times*.

M. H. JENSEN.

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### Big Day for Corpus Christi

The South Texas Singpiration will be held in the Corpus Christi church on Sabbath, February 24. The program for the day is as follows:

1. Morning Service—Guest speaker.
2. Singpiration—3:30 p.m.
3. Vesper service of music put on by Corpus Christi church.
4. Supper at the new Coggin Memorial school.
5. Grand social evening for all in the new Coggin Memorial school gymnasium.

Come one! Come all! Enjoy that famous Corpus Christi hospitality.

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### God's D Day

"Panic will seize the human race on God's D Day," writes Stanley C. Harris, author of the special tract to be distributed by the thousands



1522 Van Buren St., Amarillo, Texas

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### Heart Shields

In these days of darkness, war, and strife, we find that God's word becomes more precious than ever before. It is only natural that we should go to the great God of heaven who provides us with such bounties, love, and protection. We know that within His word there is truth and life everlasting.

Today's war is not leaving the young manhood of the Adventist ranks to walk peacefully. With stern words and firm hands he finds himself in the ranks of Uncle Sam. He is willing to do his part in caring for the wounded and dying, but he refuses for conscience' sake to kill.

Your Texico Book and Bible House at 410 West 16th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas, is displaying the new *Heart-Shield Testaments* with various mottoes. These little Testaments fit nicely into the shirt pocket and are covered with 20-gauge steel on the front cover which is gold plated. The prices range as follows and represent the difference in the quality of the Bibles: \$1.95, \$2.95, \$3.95, and \$6.95. The following inscriptions are available: May This Keep You Safe From Harm, For God and Our Country, To My Dear Boy, God's Weapon, To My Sweetheart, and May God Bless You. Order your Testament today. The receivers of these lovely Testaments will treasure them.

D. E. LATHAM.

on March 10—Operation Doorbell Day.

"On God's D Day celestial beings will mass for earthbound flight. What a glorious invasion that will be! The trumpet of God will announce the pageant coming down the glory-gilded sky. The heavens will be ablaze with the dazzling light of Christ and His angelic host as myriads of angels gather the saved

from all nations. What a wonderful meeting—to greet Jesus face to face and to be united again with loved ones.” These are but a few sentences of the heart-thrilling, soul-stirring message to be given to friends and neighbors on this Operation Doorbell Day.

Order your supply of “God’s Day,” the tract for a Share Your Faith field day, March 10. They cost only \$5 per thousand. The Book and Bible House will fill your orders. First come, first served!

HAROLD W. JEWKES.



Texas M. V. News

Jasper—“We have raised our quota for the Paris Youth Congress,” came the voice over the phone.

Congratulations! This is the second society to report reaching its goal. They will receive a complimentary copy of the new revised Junior Handbook.

Dallas—Share Your Faith youth each month visit the home for the aged near Arlington. These young people have been doing this for a number of years. The old folks appreciate the monthly meetings and express sincere thanks to the youth for their kindness.

Fort Worth—Under the leadership of Miss Ivagene Elliston, the pre-juniors in grades 1 to 3 are enjoying the study of birds. Woodpeckers, blue jays, and sparrows are of particular interest at this season.

A feeding tray is a welcome find for the birds.

HAROLD W. JEWKES.

Our Colporteur Evangelists

ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

A. E. EUBANKS, Secretary

Report for Week Ending Jan. 27, 1951

| Name                | Bk.   | Hrs. | Orders      | Del.   |
|---------------------|-------|------|-------------|--------|
| Don Lemons          | BRMMC | 43   | 150.25      | 22.00  |
| *Luke Gajjour       | BRMMC | 119  | 250.25      | 269.25 |
| Herbert C. Morgan   | HS    | 42   | 205.20      | 103.70 |
| Bill Sublett        | BR    | 32   | 87.75       |        |
| Florence DeLaune    | BR    | 30   | 105.20      |        |
| Mrs. Lora S. Beeman | BRBTS | 26   | 43.75       | 33.00  |
| Mrs. Luke Gajjour   | BR    | 25   | 48.30       | 15.05  |
| Mrs. Pearl Uhrig    | BR    | 19   | 119.75      | 19.00  |
| *Mrs. Dayton Rogers | BS    | 26   | 73.50       | 24.00  |
| Maude DellePiane    | LH    | 12   | 27.25       | 27.25  |
| *Mrs. E. Alverdo    | OTLH  | 13   | 26.20       | 26.20  |
| Mrs. Lola Copland   | BTS   | 5    | 44.00       | 6.50   |
| L. W. Freemyer      | BR    | 4    |             | 27.75  |
| Nadeen Nichols      | OT    |      | 12.50       | 12.50  |
| Totals              |       |      | 396 1153.90 | 586.20 |

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

G. E. LINDQUIST, Secretary

Report for Week Ending Jan. 27, 1951

| Name               | Bk.   | Hrs. | Orders | Del.   |
|--------------------|-------|------|--------|--------|
| *A. S. Lutz        | BRMMC | 62   | 91.50  | 91.50  |
| Mrs. Grant Bodwell | MHL   | 1    |        | 7.00   |
| Mrs. Bessie Hart   | Mag.  | 30   | 49.50  | 49.50  |
| Mrs. Willie Kerbs  | DR    | 13   | 10.75  | 10.75  |
| F. L. Okle         | Mag.  |      | 24.00  | 15.00  |
| Mrs. Arthur Seidel | Mag.  | 8    | 7.50   | 7.50   |
| Totals             |       | 114  | 183.25 | 181.25 |

Report for Week Ending Feb. 3, 1951

| Name              | Bk.   | Hrs. | Orders | Del.   |
|-------------------|-------|------|--------|--------|
| A. S. Lutz        | BRMMC | 35   | 83.25  | 83.25  |
| A. Ray East       | GC    | 10   | 65.55  | 9.75   |
| *Mrs. Effie Sealy | BRBTS | 43   | 9.25   | 17.75  |
| Totals            |       | 88   | 158.05 | 110.75 |

TEXAS CONFERENCE

J. T. WELCH, Secretary

Report for Week Ending Jan. 27, 1951

| Name                   | Bk.    | Hrs. | Orders  | Del.    |
|------------------------|--------|------|---------|---------|
| Mr. and Mrs. R. Weaver | BTS    | 50   | 500.00  |         |
| J. H. Nolan            | BR     | 45   | 260.30  | 213.50  |
| Mrs. Isabel Lindsey    | OT     | 45   | 102.75  | 102.75  |
| *Mrs. A. H. Kelley     | OTLH   | 89   | 122.85  | 122.85  |
| Plez Underdown         | CS     | 44   | 161.00  | 120.00  |
| R. L. Spiva            | MMCBR  | 44   | 151.50  | 151.50  |
| H. C. Holm             | BR     | 42   | 317.00  | 105.00  |
| W. L. Allen            | BR     | 40   | 220.00  | 26.25   |
| J. L. Holmes           | HS     | 40   | 200.00  | 200.00  |
| W. R. Spangler         | BR     | 38   | 201.25  | 6.00    |
| Garrett Sawyer         | BRBTS  | 37   | 126.50  | 121.75  |
| Earl Ray               | BROT   | 35   | 29.00   | 26.00   |
| Charles D. Magee       | BRJS   | 34   | 156.60  | 2.00    |
| Leta Brown             | BRBSGC | 30   | 306.50  |         |
| Mrs. R. Lee Davis      | BTSBPS | 30   | 41.75   | 23.25   |
| Mr. Fred Martin        | BRBTS  | 27   | 224.00  |         |
| Fred Murray            | BRBS   | 27   | 18.50   |         |
| M. L. Tidwell          | MMCBR  | 21   | 61.95   | 31.45   |
| H. L. Glasscock        | BR     | 20   | 103.50  | 10.75   |
| Mrs. M. L. Tidwell     | MMCBR  | 20   | 55.85   | 76.45   |
| Walter E. Strawn       | BR     | 16   | 90.75   | 30.75   |
| Mrs. Lela Ainsworth    | DAOT   | 14   | 16.50   | 1.00    |
| A. E. Richards         | BR     | 14   | 98.50   | 10.75   |
| Margaret Jones         | BRBTS  | 11   | 15.00   |         |
| *Paul Davis            | BR     | 47   | 130.75  | 10.75   |
| Mrs. C. H. McColeary   | Misc.  | 4    | 4.75    | 21.50   |
| Doores Spangler        | OT     | 4    | 12.50   | 12.50   |
| Totals                 |        | 869  | 3732.55 | 1427.75 |

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| Name                 | Bk.       | Hrs. | Orders  | Del.   |
|----------------------|-----------|------|---------|--------|
| J. L. Holmes         | HSL       | 40   | 200.00  |        |
| R. L. Spiva          | MMCBR     | 36   | 161.50  | 91.00  |
| A. E. Richards       | BR        | 35   | 117.75  | 13.75  |
| C. D. Magee          | BRJS      | 25   | 109.00  |        |
| Mrs. R. Lee Davis    | BTSBPS    | 21   | 64.00   | 6.75   |
| *H. E. Fenske        | BRBS      | 57   | 109.65  | 139.75 |
| Garrett Sawyer       | BRBTS     | 18   | 117.00  | 38.50  |
| *R. M. Jones         | BRBS      | 18   | 81.25   | 213.00 |
| H. C. Holm           | BR        | 16   | 12.50   | 44.00  |
| Mrs. Carl Sunderland | CM        | 15   | 71.45   | 23.45  |
| Jackie Wardrop       | OT        | 14   | 24.25   | 24.25  |
| *Cora Mullens        | DABTSBRBS | 15   | 26.50   | 14.00  |
| Betty Wardrop        | OT        | 11   | 12.75   | 12.75  |
| Earl Ray             | BROT      | 10   | 59.00   | 2.00   |
| W. L. Allen          | BR        | 10   | 9.25    | 20.00  |
| Mrs. Isabel Lindsey  | OT        | 9    | 21.75   | 21.75  |
| Dick Koobs           | BR        | 8    | 46.25   | 18.50  |
| W. R. Spangler       | BR        | 8    | 42.00   | 10.75  |
| Mrs. A. H. Kelley    | OTLH      | 8    | 24.50   | 24.50  |
| Mrs. M. L. Tidwell   | BRMMC     | 7    | 51.45   | 48.70  |
| M. L. Tidwell        | BRMMC     | 7    |         |        |
| Walter E. Strawn     | BR        | 3    | 9.25    |        |
| Mrs. Otis Weaver     | BRBTS     | 2    | 9.25    | 30.00  |
| Margaret H. Jones    |           |      | 9.75    | 9.75   |
| Totals               |           | 393  | 1390.05 | 807.15 |

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C. H. LOWE, Secretary

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| Name            | Bk. | Hrs. | Orders | Del.  |
|-----------------|-----|------|--------|-------|
| Marion Brown    | MBR | 18   | 12.75  | 12.75 |
| Leonard E. Mill | MBR | 10   | 45.75  | 45.75 |
| Mrs. Sam Brown  | BR  | 5    | 9.25   | 9.00  |
| Totals          |     | 33   | 67.75  | 67.50 |

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Obituaries

GIGAS, Antonio Gus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus A. Gigas, McAlester, Okla. spent 13 months in the Hillcrest Memorial Hospital in Tulsa recovering from Polio. On Jan. 14, 1951, he succumbed to the dreaded disease, spinal Meningitis, in a McAlester hospital after a short illness. Tony, as he was better known, had been a member of the McAlester, Seventh-day Adventist Church almost two years and passed away in his thirteenth year.

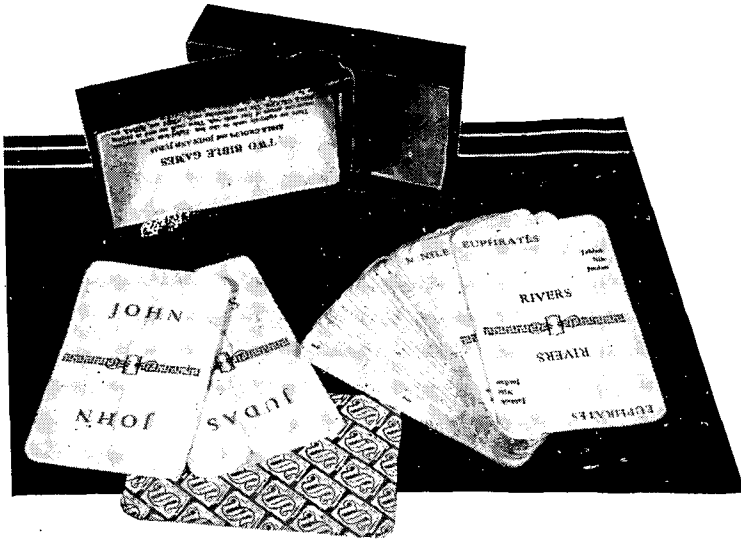
He is survived by his father and mother and one younger brother, John. Words of comfort were spoken by the undersigned and he was laid to rest in the McAlester cemetery.

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|                         | Feb. 23 Mar. 2 |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Amarillo, Texas         | 6:37 6:43      |
| Brownsville, Texas      | 6:28 6:32      |
| Dallas, Texas           | 6:19 6:25      |
| El Paso, Texas          | 5:59 6:04      |
| Ft. Worth, Texas        | 6:21 6:27      |
| Galveston, Texas        | 6:15 6:19      |
| Little Rock, Arkansas   | 5:59 6:06      |
| Muskogee, Oklahoma      | 6:11 6:16      |
| New Orleans, Louisiana  | 5:56 6:00      |
| Oklahoma City, Oklahoma | 6:20 6:25      |
| San Antonio, Texas      | 6:30 6:34      |
| Santa Fe, New Mexico    | 5:52 6:00      |
| Shreveport, Louisiana   | 6:07 6:13      |

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