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Increasing Mission Offerings Through the Sabbath School

By H. C. KEPHART

THE PURPOSE of the Advent people of the Southwest is to keep God's work progressing. We have a task which when compared with what other Christian bodies are doing seems very heavy. We are endeavoring to flash the wonderful tidings of God's love into every corner of the world, into every country we are able to enter. The financial load of the world task rests heavily upon us here at the home base. I am convinced that until the task is finished the load will not become lighter, but rather, heavier.

We have all been impressed, I am sure, with what has been accomplished as the result of united action. Within just a few weeks' time a remarkably fine total of Ingathering funds has been accumulated. This fund is secured, largely, from the public by means of solicitation by our members. *What the believers thus secure from outside the church, together with what they themselves contribute, determines what can be done to sustain the work and to enlarge it.*

Through the years it has been thrilling to observe the increased appropriations for missions. In 1933, for example, the appropriations amounted to \$3,217,012; but by 1953 the yearly appropriation had grown to \$18,562,823—almost 6 times as much as was provided 20 years before. A most interesting comparison is found in our Sabbath school offerings in this Union, which grew from \$38,702 (in 1933) to \$248,879 (in 1953), a little more than 6 times as much as for 1933.

But in proportion to our earnings
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Increasing Mission Offerings Through the Sabbath School

WHEREAS, There are still numerous unentered sections of the world missionary field, and many that have been entered are understaffed and ill equipped, and the time remaining for us to cooperate with the Lord in finishing His work in all the world is very short, and

WHEREAS, The General Conference treasury is dependent to a very large degree upon the Sabbath school offerings for the support of our foreign mission program, and

WHEREAS, The Lord has continued to bless His people with a great degree of prosperity, and since the Bible basis for giving is "as God hath prospered,"

We recommend, 1. That all our believers re-examine their obligation to Christ in view of the great sacrifice He has made in our behalf; and that in gratitude for his inestimable gift and the prosperity with which the Lord has blessed us, we unite in a much more generous support of the mission program, particularly with reference to very considerably increasing the steady, systematic support of Missions through the Sabbath school.

2. That all our Sabbath schools, classes, and members, be urged to look forward to doubling our present rate of giving as soon as possible, and that to this end in addition to giving more liberally from our abundance, we earnestly seek the Lord for a revival of sacrificial giving and the practice of self-denial in all our expenditures, in harmony with the instruction of the Lord that "When those who know the truth practice the self-denial enjoined in God's word, the message will go with power." (Bold face type ours)—"Counsels on Stewardship," p. 302.

"Let us save every dollar that can be saved, that the matchless charms of Christ may be presented before the souls of the perishing. . . .

"Each one should strive to do for Jesus all that it is possible for him to do, by personal effort, by gifts, by sacrifices. There should be meat in the house of the Lord, and that means a full treasury, that responses may be made to Macedonian cries coming from every land. . . .

"Let all the pennies, dimes, and dollars that are lost to the cause through selfish love of pleasure, through desire to meet the world's standard, through love of ease, be turned into the channel that flows to God's treasury."—"Counsels on Stewardship," pp. 298, 299.

Adventists Are Good Citizens

As the Old Year tottered out, Adventists could look back on recent major news breaks that were far-reaching in their impact on the public.

The story of Operations Survival, a bivouac by Washington Missionary College students and faculty families, hit front pages with pictures from coast to coast. A scientific attempt to live for three days under "bombed out" conditions in a Maryland woods ceased to be an isolated experiment as millions read about it in their newspapers.

At one time seven writers and photographers were observing, interviewing, and taking pictures in the bleak woods. A Washington, D. C., reporter camped out with the group,

sleeping at night by an icy stream.

Civil defense officials, who visited the bivouac at the invitation of the Church's public relations office, were loud in their praise. Wrote one after it was all over: "It is deeply felt that your efforts most certainly helped to bring to the attention of the general public, the great need for preparation for survival in the event we are attacked. . . ."

Life magazine gave the story a religious emphasis, pointed to a cardinal doctrine: "Adventists, who hold that the second coming of Christ is near, believe it will be preceded by apocalyptic troubles," then added, "They have accordingly been leaders in civil defense work."

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CME Building Program

Building progress at CME continues to progress faster than pledged and scheduled funds are coming in. To avoid slowing down of construction and to complete necessary structures at a minimum cost, additional capital is needed for the School of Dentistry building and the White Memorial Hospital addition.

The College of Medical Evangelists is interested in borrowing funds from church members who are able to loan \$500 or more for a period of three to five years. Interest will be paid at the rate of 3%. Checks should be made out to the College and sent to Controller J. C. Shull. Lenders will be sent a Building Loan Note signed by officers of the organization.

CME officials are appreciative of the valuable aid rendered so far by church members in helping the College fulfill its responsibilities to the church. We urge all who are financially able to take advantage of this appeal and thus further the cause of our medical work at CME by helping complete the much needed buildings at this time.

L. C. EVANS, *President*
Southwestern Union.

CME Women Missionary Minded

Mrs. Vivian Raitz is the wife of Robert Raitz, a senior in the School of Medicine on the Los Angeles campus of the College of Medical Evangelists. Mrs. Raitz is from Keene, Texas.

Vivian is an active member of the club for wives of medical students known as the Junior Women's Auxiliary. As part of their annual activities, they conduct a Christmas sale to raise funds to help provide for personal needs of the wives and families of missionary physicians. In the picture, Vivian is filling a customer's order for Christmas decorations.

The auxiliary membership this year numbers about 130 and according to the president the members hope to raise \$600 by means of several different projects, including the Christmas sale.

One item already slated for over-



Vivian Raitz, formerly of Keene

seas shipment is a complete flannel-graph sent to the Dr. Franklin Crider at the Bhuket Mission Clinic in West Thailand. Mrs. Crider will use it in local Sabbath school and mission work.

The wives of the present medical students at CME are looking forward to the time when they too can accompany their husbands to a place of mission service either overseas or back at home.

New Talking Magazine

As it begins its fifty-sixth year of service to the blind in the field of free inspirational literature, The Christian Record Benevolent Association of Lincoln, Nebraska, announces the publication of a quarterly two-record recorded journal for non-Braille readers. The first issue of the new publication, *The Christian Record Talking Magazine*, will be mailed out the 15th of February next and thereafter every three months.

Like the six monthly publications now issued by the Association, the new recorded magazine will be mailed

free to blind readers upon their personal request. While published primarily for non-Braille readers, its mailing list will be open to all blind interested in this type of literature. Sets of the records for lending purposes will also be placed in the regional libraries for the blind for the convenience of non-subscribers.

The Christian Record Talking Magazine will be a non-sectarian religious journal featuring inspirational, devotional, educational, and health articles prepared especially for it and also drawn from a wide field of popular inkprint publications that have generously opened their files of manuscript to the Association for re-print purposes.

All requests for subscriptions should be addressed to *The Christian Record Talking Magazine*, Lincoln 6, Nebraska and should be in the office of publication by February 1 next for the first number.

C. W. DEGERING, *Editor-Manager.*

Mothers Appreciate It

Recently there came in the mail a very interesting letter—a letter from a Seventh-day Adventist mother, a mother much engaged in the daily activities, and especially on the preparation day. Let me share this with you just as it came in to the *Review* and Herald Publishing Association.

"Dear Brethren:

"From the enclosed account of happenings at our home last Friday morning, you will know how much we appreciate the *Review* and *Herald*.

"Very truly yours,
"MRS. W. E. W."

Her account is as follows:

FRIDAY MORNING—Mother is eating breakfast after children have gone to school. (She was too busy to eat before.)

Baby, almost two, is having another drink of juice. Mailman arrives.

Mother glances quickly through the mail. In the *Review* she notices the third article on Palestine and Syria by S. Horn.

Answers telephone.

Starts breakfast dishes—keeping

one eye on the open *Review* beside her. Baby needs constant supervision too.

Mother gets beans ready to cook. Baby helps sort them and keeps a small white bean for a pretending "egg" to feed her dolly.

Mother thinks, "Isn't it amazing that those pieces of manuscript and papyrus have been preserved so a person can see them there in Jerusalem, cleaned and under glass. How is 'papyrus' pronounced anyway—I forget. I must tell this story to the children tonight at bedtime."

Mother looks up "papyrus" in the dictionary.

Mother puts more food on to cook as she says to herself, "I wonder how many years before Christ it was when Samuel and Eli lived." Looks it up in the Bible. "I must finish getting ready for Sabbath. My, I am so thankful for the *Review!* so many good articles. This one alone is worth a year's subscription to the *Review.*"

There you have it, brethren and sisters. An Adventist home, a busy family, a busy preparation day, and the authentic voice of the church meeting first at the breakfast table, and then amidst the busy activities of the day, and again at bedtime, providing the story on which the children will go to sleep. And the mother, well, in quiet meditation we leave her with the thought in her heart, "My, I am so thankful for the *Review!* So many good articles. This one alone is worth a year's subscription to the *Review.*"

Yes, brethren and sisters. There you have it. Let the *Review* come into your home, or the homes of your loved ones or children. Cheer them on the way as they march toward the heavenly city. Order through your Book and Bible House, remembering that the senior Sabbath school lesson helps appear only in the *Review and Herald* for 1955.

R. J. CHRISTIAN.

Dietitians Organize

—An outstanding accomplishment of a recent meeting of Seventh-day Adventist dietitians was the organizing of the Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association.

After much consideration, officers were chosen to guide and direct this important organization. They are:

President—Clinton A. Wall, B.S.,

College Dietitian and Food Director, Walla Walla College.

President Elect—Dr. Ruth Little, Chief Dietitian, College of Medical Evangelists, Los Angeles Division.

Secretary and Treasurer—Avis Dixon, B.S., Head Dietitian, St. Helena Sanitarium and Hospital.

Public Relations Officer—Paul S. Damazo, M.S., Head Dietitian and Food Director, La Sierra College.

Associate Public Relations Officer—Mrs. Alice Marsh, M.S., Chairman, Home Economics Department, Emmanuel Missionary College.

After giving serious study to the problems at hand, the officers and the charter members of the association voted to accept the following as immediate objectives of the Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association:

1. To uphold by precept and example the principles of healthful living given to the denomination by the Spirit of prophecy.
2. To foster and assist in health evangelism and nutrition education within our denomination, stressing preventative health for positive optimum nutrition.
3. To raise the standards of dietetic service in Seventh-day Adventists' hospitals, sanitariums, colleges, secondary and elementary schools throughout the world field.
4. To maintain high professional standards of its members.
5. To stimulate among its membership the need of keeping abreast of the latest findings in nutrition and allied fields.
6. To actively promote a strong program of recruitment among academy and college students.
7. To give counsel in correlating prescribed courses for the dietetic student.

All dietitians and dietetic interns are urged to contact the secretary of the said organization requesting application blanks for active membership.

The first national meeting of the Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association will convene at the College of Medical Evangelists, Loma Linda Division on Tuesday, December 28, at 7 p.m. All dietitians and dietetic

interns are invited and urged to attend this important meeting.

PAUL S. DAMAZO,
Public Relations Officer
Seventh-day Adventist
Dietetic Association.

★ Texas

2838 Hemphill St., Fort Worth 4, Texas
N. R. Dower, President
O. J. Bell, Sec.-Treas.

Our Leaders

God has ever had men who were called by Him to be leaders of His people, shepherds of His flock. Upon these leaders heaven has placed sacred and solemn responsibility. From the very beginning, God has organized His people for this work, and guided them in their service. To be called to leadership in such a cause is indeed a sacred calling, and with it come responsibilities that are eternal in their results.

Both the Old and New Testaments set a very high standard for those who are called to lead.

God has placed upon the organized church, guided by the Holy Spirit, the responsibility of choosing their leaders. And when the church body, after earnest prayer and careful study, places upon one of its members the responsibility of leadership, that person should look upon that invitation as a call from God to serve, and should accept with a willing heart the solemn responsibility.

And we, who by the guidance of the Holy Spirit have asked our brother to serve us, should certainly feel obligated to uphold his hands in every possible way. We owe it to him. He is there by our choice. There is no other way a man can get into office in a Seventh-day Adventist church. He is in office because we chose him and put him there. He needs our help and cooperation and has a just right to expect it. Through the guidance of the Spirit of prophecy, this denomination has placed heavy responsibility upon the laity. God alone knows how hard many of our local church elders are struggling to provide their families with temporal bread, and at the same time provide acceptable spiritual food for the flock over which they have been made shepherds. God forbid that we should ever do other than

uphold their hands while they are doing service for the Master. If there is one thing that tests our patience more than another, it is the course of the man who spends one month placing a responsibility on one of his brethren and then spends the remaining eleven months in finding fault and criticizing everything that brother says and does.

There certainly is seen divine wisdom in allowing us to help choose our leaders. This should cause us to sense a certain amount of responsibility for the man that is in office. For God has been so gracious in His dealings with us that He will not permit a man to assume an office in this organization without our having had a voice in his selection; and only by our consent can he remain in that office, regardless of how acceptable he may or may not be in the sight of heaven.

We do not claim infallibility in choosing officers for the church, but in the light of good common sense, God's arrangement prevents us from saying too much, even though the wrong man gets into office and remains there for a time. We choose the man for the office, when we feel, in the sight of God, that he is worthy and qualified for that trust. And I have implicit confidence in that man till he has clearly and definitely betrayed that confidence. And I grant this to be true of all my brethren who are called upon to choose men upon whom responsibilities may be laid.

We have just chosen our church officers for the coming year. Let us show confidence in the guidance of the Holy Spirit and in our judgment by cooperating and upholding their hands. And even though they may not live up to all that we had hoped, let us not cast reflection on our judgment by parading their shortcomings before others. Let us stand by our leaders for they are OUR LEADERS, because we made them so.

M. H. JENSEN.

News Notes

★ The Detamore-Turner-Holley campaign in Houston was brought to a close December 19. Elder Holley in writing of the meetings states the following facts: 126 took their stand for this truth, among them some precious souls for whom our workers and members have been laboring for many years. Some glorious vic-

tories were won and a large number of families were fully united in this truth. We are happy to report that 54 of these have already been baptized and have joined the two churches in Houston. There is a very large number studying and preparing for baptism in the immediate future. Let us pray that God will help each one of these to go all the way and unite with His commandment keeping people.

★ Thrilling Ingathering reports are reaching us from all parts of the field. Fort Worth has become the first large church to get its Minute-Man Goal. Congratulations to Elder Biloff. We have also received word from Elder Scales that Corpus Christi is over, and from Elder Findley that the Valley No. 1 District has reached its full Minute-Man Goal. Many others are very close, and the next few weeks ought to see the completion of our Ingathering work for 1955. Dallas is within \$4,000 of its goal.

★ The following Dorcas societies were represented in a recent Federation meeting in the Houston Central church: Floral Avenue, Galveston, Baytown, and Houston Central.

There were a number of interesting features. We were inspired by Elder B. K. Mills' devotional study, in which he included the statement, "If we were tender-hearted, pitiful and sympathetic—there would be a hundred converts where now there is one." Elder Burwell, of the Union, reported on the welfare depot, and encouraged greater use of projectors and films in our missionary work. Mrs. Otis Weaver reported on local welfare work, and Mrs. E. R. Smith, Federation president, gave a report of the recent Texas Social Welfare Association Meeting, whose subject was "Basic Skills in Helping People."

Texas Bible School

The 20th Century Bible Correspondence School is the school for Texas. It belongs to everyone of us and is for our special benefit. It is a means whereby we can win souls to the Kingdom. In addition to soul-winning, it is for our people to become better acquainted with the teachings of the Bible. Anyone who desires to become more familiar with Bible doctrines will find this course very beneficial. In studying these lessons, Bible truths are brought to the

student's attention which he little realized were there in the Bible.

We find the following quotation in *The Great Controversy*, page 625: "Only those who have been diligent students of the Scriptures, and who have received the love of the truth, will be shielded from the powerful delusion that takes the world captive."

There is no way so good to gird the mind as that obtained by systematic Bible study. The 20th Century Bible Course will guide and aid the student in this kind of study. If you wish to take the Bible Course, just send a postal card with your name and address.

R. A. JENKINS.

Announcement

North Texas Dorcas Federation will meet in Fort Worth church January 18 at 10 a.m. Elder Howe will be guest speaker. It is hoped that all societies will be represented to take part in the election of new officers.

★ Texico

1622 Van Buren St., Amarillo, Texas
M. D. Howard, President
H. P. Evens, Sec.-Treas.

Victory Day at Lubbock

December 25 was victory day at Lubbock. It was victory in the Sabbath school, victory in the church missionary service, and victory in the church service.

In the Sabbath school a tree had been placed in the front of the church and then at a given time every member of the Sabbath school who had previously been furnished envelopes with wire hooks came forward and hung his envelope on the tree. At the close of the Sabbath school the total of \$288.00 was announced as the Thirteenth Sabbath offering. This was a victory!

The amount of the Investment funds for the year was also announced. Just a little over \$1,500 was brought in through the Investment fund for 1954. This, too, was a victory!

Ingathering! Victory! Yes, indeed! During the missionary service Elder Meade called for the figures in the different sections and they totaled just a little over \$6,200. This figure represents nearly two Minute-Man Goals for the church, and while vic-

tory was celebrated, the church is still planning to make it a Double Minute-Man offering for Ingathering this year.

And what victory could there have been in the church services? The church witnessed five precious souls buried in baptism at the close of the morning service. Truly that was a victory of the highest order.

May the Lord continue to bless the church at Lubbock in its missionary activities. M. D. HOWARD.

Another Officers' Meeting

Third in the series of training institutes for 1955 church officers was held in the El Paso Spanish church on December 18. Present were newly elected officers from El Paso English church, El Paso Spanish church, from Las Cruces and Deming, New Mexico.

Sabbath school and morning church services were held for the combined groups in the First Christian church of El Paso, which was kindly offered free of charge to our people for use that day. El Paso church members invited all visitors to one of their parks where a lunch was spread after which at 8 p.m. the training classes began.

Present from the conference office were: M. D. Howard, F. H. Hewitt, A. R. Mazat, D. E. Latham, and H. P. Evens. Elders W. K. Mansker and R. C. Perez had all meetings well organized so that their members could take full advantage of the instruction given.

The evening was given over to Ingathering in the city, five bands taking part. All conference personnel joined with the local churches in this endeavor. Churches in this area are now over their Minute-Man Goal.

H. P. EVENS.

New Books

One of the newest children's books available is called *Elijah* by Don Muth, Jr. This Bible story is a fascinating one for children because of the many practical lessons that can be taught on godly living. *Elijah, the Man Who Went to Heaven*, is designed for the primary age group. The cover of the book is in four colors which depicts the translation of *Elijah*. There are thirty-one full page illustrations, with the corresponding story material on the page opposite each illustration. Be

sure to get a copy of *Elijah* today! The price is \$2.50, plus 10c postage and mailing. Texico Book and Bible House.

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Three new volumes are now ready in the *Stories That Win* Series that you will want to use. The first is *Out of the Storm* by Jan S. Doward. This is the story of how a young man, torn between faith and doubt, finds Christ and the doctrines of the church while in army service overseas. An excellent book for our young men and others as well. The second book is *Polly's D-Day*, by Mrs. Betty Stirling. This is the story of a girl who, seeking for a fuller Christian experience, is led to enroll in an Adventist college despite the indifference of her parents. Excellent for young ladies and others making decisions for Christian education on the academy and college level. The third book is entitled *Point of Return* by Merlin L. Neff. This is the story of a brilliant man who found not only that he had drifted from God, but that he was on the verge of a breakdown. In addition, his marriage was deteriorating seriously. Associated with wise and sympathetic Christians in a mountain retreat enabled the troubled man to find his way to a satisfactory way of life. All of the *Stories That Win* Series are only 50c each in paper. Send for several copies today allowing 10c postage for every two books ordered. Texico Book and Bible House, 410 West 16th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas.

D. E. LATHAM, *Manager*.

"Just a Twiddle"

The Lord has really been preparing hearts within, as well as without the church for this Ingathering campaign. People whom we have never contacted in years past received us cordially and gave liberally to the advancement of God's cause on this earth.

Last week we invested some precious time with Brother Joe Espinosa up in Santa Fe, and we contacted Jews, Methodists, Presbyterians, and Catholics. Late one afternoon we called on an elderly lady who for some time was under the nursing care of Sister Espinosa. As we entered the home of this woman we noticed that she possessed a good library. Many of her books dealt with psychiatry, so naturally that was the point of contact. After visit-

ing with this sickly person for over half an hour she said, "I know you have come for an offering, but you have come at the wrong time. I have so many obligations to meet and this is Christmas time." Inasmuch as we had not yet directly asked for an offering, she again broke into the conversation by saying, "Of course, if you insist, I can give you a little 'twiddle' of an offering, but if you wait until next year most likely I could do more." We assured her that this was free will and whatever she gave she would not miss by the end of the year, and it would be greatly appreciated by the General Conference. Without much further discussion she took out her check book and wrote out a little "twiddle" of an offering amounting to \$100.

We are assured over and over again that this IS the Lord's work, and He IS using His people as channels to receive offerings, as well as impart peace, joy, and comfort.

A. R. MAZAT.

★ **Oklahoma**

525 N. W. 13th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
W. A. Dessain, President
E. L. Moore, Sec.-Treas.

"Faith By Works"

"Ten thousand Bible studies in a day." When I read that title and the subsequent article in a recent issue of the *Review and Herald* I thought a bit of hyperbole was be-



Mr. and Mrs. Royal Birth

ing used. Then I did a bit of mental arithmetic. In North America alone, we have approximately 5,000 churches. If only two members from each church gave a Bible study a day, it would nearly reach this figure. In many of our churches there are several bands who give many Bible studies each week. These "projector clubs" reach a great many people in a year's time, and the extent of good that is accomplished will never be measured on this earth.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Birth, of the Guthrie, Oklahoma, church quietly but effectively take their place in this vast army of diligent, consecrated Christian workers. Pictured here with their projector and Bibles, they show how they are sharing their faith with others.

In talking with them recently, I learned that with the beginning of another new series of Bible studies this week, they will have all of their evenings filled with Bible studies with the exception of the weekly prayer meeting, which they never miss even though it means nearly a forty mile jaunt every week. Bible studies may be at their neighbors a mile away, or forty miles away. Distance with them does not enter the picture. They have shared their faith in farm homes and city homes; in small homes and large ones; in rest homes for the aged and in the church. Wherever and whenever the call comes, they are willing to respond. Of them it can truthfully be said, **THEIR HEART IS IN THE WORK OF GOD, AND THE WORK OF GOD IS IN THEIR HEART.**

May God continue to bless them and their fellow lay-workers throughout the world.

In appreciation,
H. J. HARRIS, *their Pastor.*

Okeene District

We are happily settled in the Okeene district, and are having many enjoyable experiences becoming acquainted with the members here. We want to express our sincerest best wishes to the members of the Ketchum district, and a greeting to all in the Okeene district.

As the new officers for the coming year take their places in the leadership of the churches, we trust that the Lord will continue to bless the soul-winning endeavors of the

churches so that we may see more souls won to Christ than ever before. The churches are working hard to raise their Ingathering goals. They have covered all of their singing band territory and most of the business solicitation except for a few calls that must be made after the first of the year.

Different ones are conducting Bible studies regularly. Some of those participating in these studies are Melvin Erhlich, H. L. Baker, Alvin Blehm, Isaac Meier, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bernhardt, and David Hagele. J. S. McINTOSH, *Pastor.*

Squaring Off

There is no better time to square the account with the Lord than at the close of the year. We serve a God of order. As such he takes delight in seeing His dear children start the new year with all their obligations to Him paid off in full, all pledges, monetary promises and all back tithe.

Quite a few business men, and a great many farmers, do not pay their tithe monthly. Their reasons for doing this are many and varied, but they are sound. But certainly when it comes to the tithe that we owe our Maker, such an obligation should not be allowed to slip into the next year's accounting. Under the old Hebrew dispensation, any back-tithe had to be greatly added to in order for the Lord to be able to declare the account closed. "I am the Lord, I change not."

No tithe should be diverted from it's original purpose. When individuals take the Lord's money and direct it toward some special offering, worthy though it may be, they have merely given an offering and have not paid tithe at all.

The month of December offers a great opportunity to get right financially with the Lord. His eyes are upon us, and He has great blessing in store for all who faithfully return Him that which is His own. Won't you pay a full tithe, and pay it now?

W. A. DESSAIN, *Pres.*

MV's On the March

Mrs. Freda Eichman joined the ranks of Master Guides at an investiture service in Woodward, Sabbath, December 11. Four Friends and seven Busy Bees were also invested.

Glenn Ellis, teacher of the Shawnee church school reports that the pupils of his school have surpassed their Ingathering goal.

A camera club has been organized, made up of young people from the Oklahoma City church. The club hopes to produce pictures giving favorable publicity to the work of Seventh-day Adventists and also to improve picture-taking techniques.

W. L. SCHOEPLIN.

It's Cold Outside

As I visit the elementary and intermediate schools of the conference my attention is drawn to the fact that our people are becoming more Christian education conscious. This is as it should be. Children from Seventh-day Adventist homes ought to be in our own schools.

One aspect of Christian education concerns healthful living. We owe it to our children to help them form habits and thought patterns that will contribute to robust health.

Many of the boys and girls attending school are not dressed warmly enough during the winter months. Poverty is not the reason; it is a desire to be like the other children that causes them to set their minds against proper winter clothing.

Parents and teachers should work together to encourage and urge children to be dressed warmly. Many parents and some of the children are only waiting for someone else to start.

This is part of God's message for His people. Let us be faithful guardians of our children's spiritual and physical welfare.

W. L. SCHOEPLIN,
Superintendent.

Colporteur of the Year

The Oklahoma Conference has had its most outstanding year in the history of the literature ministry. The faithful literature evangelists have done a wonderful job during 1954 and we are very grateful for their success.



Earl Qualls, \$11,000 Man

We would like to make special mention of Oklahoma's most outstanding literature evangelist. He delivered nearly \$11,000 worth of literature during the past year. This is nothing short of a miracle. Brother Earl Qualls quit a good job to take up the literature ministry and by faithfully calling upon the homes of the people, he was able to leave thousands of dollars worth of our publications with them. He has also enrolled hundreds in the Bible correspondence school. We take our hats off to one who has so devotedly put his whole heart into this phase of the Lord's work.

There is much seed yet to be sown, and even though Oklahoma had its record year with nearly \$70,000 delivered, there is still room for many more laborers in His vineyard. We have set our goal for the year 1955 at \$100,000 delivered. This means that many more of our missionary-minded men and women will have to help sow the seed of truth.

If you are interested in entering the literature field, please write your publishing department secretary.

L. G. WHITTEN.

An Ingathering Imperative

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successfully to reach their entire Minute-Man quota, and include every member-contributed dollar of which we, as Adventists, are capable.

With financial conditions so favorable today in America, it is probable that every church could raise its entire total from members alone and be blessed in the doing of it. However much or little territory in

a given church district, the membership has the personal opportunity to supplement the gifts of neighbors so that every church may come up to the help of the Lord with a full Ingathering at such a time as this.

The soliciting phase of Ingathering has been progressing. The contributing phase by our members must be commensurate with the requests from friends. We trust church leaders will arrange for developing this phase of Ingathering to its appropriate degree.

Churches and Pastors Over Minute-Man Goal

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Jennings	Van Rannels
Hominy	
Lubbock	J. Doggette

TEXAS

Corpus Christi Sp.	B. L. Thompson†
Falfurrias	B. L. Thompson
Denton	R. R. Biloff†
Fort Worth	R. R. Biloff
Tyler**	C. B. Messer†
Longview	C. B. Messer
Athens	C. B. Messer
Waller	H. T. Anderson
Jasper	Howard Voss
Orange	Howard Voss
Beeville Co.	L. G. Scales
Corpus Christi	L. G. Scales
Galveston	B. K. Mills
Angleton	B. K. Mills
Denison	J. H. Wardrop
Gainesville	J. H. Wardrop
Waxahachie	R. R. Patzer
Graham	V. J. Maloney
Temple	A. M. Mater
Grand Prairie	C. J. Dornberg
Laredo	R. L. Odom
Baytown	Wm. Lehman
Brownsville	W. B. Findley†
Harlingen	W. B. Findley
Mercedes	W. B. Findley
Weslaco	W. B. Findley
Brownwood	Lynden DeWitt†

Santa Anna	Lynden DeWitt
Kingsville	N. H. Waters†

TEXICO

Tulia	J. L. Jesperson
Pampa	C. H. Lowe†
Borger	C. H. Lowe
Wellington	C. H. Lowe
Pampa Conf. Members	C. H. Lowe
Roswell	Carl Rose
Lubbock	J. D. Meade†
Littlefield	J. D. Meade
Plainview	J. D. Meade
El Paso Eng.	W. K. Mansaker†
Las Cruces	W. K. Mansaker
Upper Valley	W. K. Mansaker
Deming	W. K. Mansaker
Dalhart	W. D. Kieser
Santa Fe	Joe Espinosa
Sandoval	R. Ayala



W. H. Westermeyer, one of first over goal

Good News From Colombia-Venezuela

Since you folk in the Southwestern Union field have expressed so much interest in the problems of our brethren in Colombia, I feel that it is no more than fair that I should tell you a little of what I found upon arrival back in the field.

Many of you will remember that several hundred of our members who lived in the region of the Andes Mountains in Colombia were driven from their homes during the five years of civil strife that overran the country. Their homes were burned, their cattle stolen, and they barely escaped with their lives. In fact, a few of our brethren lost their lives while attempting to take their fam-

ilies to safety. Early this year we received word that a number of these Adventist families were returning from exile to their little homes, as the new military government was giving guarantees to the country people if they would return; but they had nothing with which to begin life anew, not even seed for their first crop. In one section of the country, known as La Bricha, some fifty Adventist families returned and began putting up improvised shelters for homes, courageously working together to start over on their little patches of mountain land. Upon learning of their situation, we immediately sent them 6,000 pesos' worth of seed, chiefly wheat, for their first crop; corn and potatoes were also furnished for planting; a few chickens were bought for the families, and arrangements were made for the use of a few yoke of oxen to plow the ground. An invitation to assist these Colombian families in their endeavors to begin life anew was sent out, and soon help came from all parts of the division. This manifestation of brotherly love in time of need greatly encouraged these dear people.

Having just returned from a visit to La Bricha, I am now ready to report on how they are progressing. First let me tell you that one must climb some 4,500 feet right up a steep mountain side to reach this community of mountain farmers. Their former homes were made of adobe and stone, so all that burned was the roof. Therefore, by cutting some poles from the timber about them and making use of wild cane, straw, and leaves, they soon had roofs back on their houses and were feeling quite at home again. It was harvest season when I arrived, and the Lord had smiled upon them by granting a good crop of corn, wheat, and potatoes—the three main crops.

These folk are still terribly poor, but they do not know it. There are several widows among them with their little broods of children, having lost their husbands in the civil war, but the men see to it that their crops are planted and harvested the same as their own. I don't know when I have visited a community of people who are as happy as are these dear people. They are rich in faith, and their influence as Christians is felt in all the surrounding country.

Our next move is to get them a

few milk cows and oxen so as to give them a start in replenishing their livestock. They are not asking for anything but are bravely facing the realities of life with courage, faith, and a will to work. That is one reason that we are determined to share with them, and in so doing we also share in their blessings.

The work is moving ahead in Colombia and Venezuela and the islands that are within this union field. Our baptisms are on the increase, and many of our churches are too small for the congregations they must house. Our colporteurs in all the union are having phenomenal success. Here in Colombia, where they have been put in prison, had their books taken from them and burned, and been fined and mistreated in different ways, they are selling more books than ever and enjoying a wonderful experience.

I enjoyed visiting your field last summer and want to send greetings from our brethren in Colombia-Venezuela to you who are holding the ropes and backing up the program down here.

GEORGE C. NICKLE,
Colombia-Venezuela Union.



SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE
C. N. Rees, President
J. H. Bischoff, Business Manager

SWJC News

The village clubs of SWJC raised over \$375 at Our Amateur Hour early in December. The palace of Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Rees, as King and Queen of Amatura, was the setting of the program in Turner Auditorium. Seated on their thrones, they listened to each contestant do his best as he competed for the grand prize. Albert Pauley, principal of the Keene Public School, was the emcee.

Toni Hopman won a \$20 grand prize in the serious section, a junior quartet composed of the Patzer brothers, David Rees, and Jimmie Guthrie won a \$20 grand prize in the light section.

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The Rotary Club of Cleburne were luncheon guests of Southwestern Junior College December 2.

After luncheon an all-student program was given. Before the Rotarians left the campus, Dr. Rees showed the men some of the points of interest on the campus.

There is a good feeling toward SWJC among the business men of Cleburne, and we are glad that the school could entertain those who have helped the school so much on its different projects throughout the years.

Harmon Hall Campaign

The students and faculty of Southwestern Junior College are shouldering a \$7,500 project to raise money to equip or furnish Harmon Hall.

Carolyn Spring is the student leader. The school is divided into five teams. Bonnie Turner is leader of the girls of Ta-Wa-Si; Helton Fisher, the Knights of Hamilton; Alfreda Wallen, the girls of Fidelis; Lloyd Guthrie, the men of Sigma Delta Beta; and Mr. William Nordrum, the faculty.

Mr. J. H. Bischoff, faculty advisor of the campaign, said that a banquet will be given to those who have reached a prescribed goal. The school will give the equivalent of a month's tuition for students who turn in enough money for one room—\$275.

"This project must be successful," says Carolyn Spring. "We girls have had unsatisfactory furniture for a year and a half in this beautiful dorm."

Carolyn urges all readers to fill in the accompanying form and send in the money to help the girls of Harmon Hall to get suitable furniture. Remember, your gift made out to Southwestern Junior College can be deducted on your income tax.

Send Harmon Hall A Gift

Here is my gift to Southwestern Junior College's Harmon Hall Equipment Campaign. It is a pleasure to contribute to the needs of this Ladies' Dormitory.

Name (Please print or type)

Street or Number of Route and Box No.

City Zone State

Please credit my gift to

New Religious Liberty Recording

Another interesting and informative religious liberty program has been recorded on tape for use in our churches. The recording has been made by the personnel of the Religious Liberty Department of the General Conference. One side discusses basic principles of religious liberty, and the other some of the current problems of the Sunday law issue. The tape provides excellent material for two separate services.

Orders may be sent with a remittance of \$2.00 direct to S.A.V.E., 2512 Bryant Ave., S., Minneapolis 5, Minnesota.

A. H. RULKOETTER,
Associate Secretary
Religious Liberty Dept.,
General Conference.

Increasing Offerings

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we did better in 1933 than we are doing now. In that year we gave in Sabbath school offerings \$1 for every \$3 tithe. In 1953 our Sabbath school gifts amounted to \$1 for every \$5.66 tithe. In just a couple of weeks we shall have our totals for 1954. Will the comparison be better or less favorable?

If all over the Union we were to unite to raise our Sabbath school offerings week by week as enthusiastically as we have aimed at the Ingathering goal, we would see phenomenal increases in our gifts to missions. And that is what we ought to do. Our weekly Sabbath school offerings for 1954, I think we shall find, have averaged about 26¢ per member. That represents not quite 4 cents a day, as an average. We all know the per capita goal is now 50¢ a week (which represents 7¢ a day).

Shortly after the recent Autumn Council I quoted in the RECORD part of a resolution dealing with our offerings to missions. It is such an appropriate action that I am taking the liberty to present it again. I wish every family would cut this resolution out of the paper and keep it for frequent reference. More than that, I hope that every family concerned about seeing God's work ad-

vanced rapidly will try to put into practice the suggestion of "doubling our present rate of giving as soon as possible." The great majority of our people could do this without particular sacrifice. Even if there is delay in any Sabbath school in developing an organized plan to double the gifts, there is nothing to hinder us as individuals from adopting the spirit of this resolution. And the results of our individual effort may be as thrilling as have the exploits in the Ingathering program.

H. C. KEPHART.

Adventists Are Good Citizens

(Continued from page 1)

Following closely on this burst of good news, the completion of Elder L. E. Froom's twenty-year research project caught the interest of the Associated Press and swept the country. So elated was a St. Louis press secretary when she saw the long story in her newspaper, she secured 100 copies and passed them out to fellow church members.

The monumental work of Elder Froom in writing the four *Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers* volumes is well known to theologians throughout the world. Now this remarkable story has been shared with the mass public.

What does all this mean? Once again countless persons have gained some new impressions of this denomination. If they didn't know it before, they must now realize that Adventists, for all their emphasis on a better world to come, are good citizens, interested in helping their government as it attempts to overcome apathy toward civil defense. If they didn't know it before, they must now realize that Adventist theology cannot be brushed aside lightly.

Without some effort by the denomination's Public Relations Bureau, Operation Survival and the Froom project would be little known. And the stories were told, not to boast, but simply to let our light shine, as Christ instructed us.

News of this kind lays a foundation for greater evangelism. Who will deny that the literature evangelist, ringing a doorbell in a little Ohio town, or the lady in Los Angeles inviting a neighbor to church, can expect a more receptive attitude toward the Adventist message because of what these people have read in newspapers and magazines?

DONN THOMAS.

Valuable Source Material

That Volume IV of *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers* has just been released by the publishers will be hailed as good news by a large number of our laymen, as well as by all workers. It is now available. The production of this four-volume set constitutes the most extensive research project in our denominational history. It required twenty years to complete it, and necessitated three extensive trips to Europe to compass the Old World archives and great book collections, as well as combining all the leading libraries of North America. Even Mexico and South America yielded their quota.

Many thousands of dollars were invested by the General Conference in securing the seven or eight thousand "source" documents—originals, photostats, and microfilm copies—which constitute the matchless Advent Source Collection. These are the priceless documents upon which the *Prophetic Faith* set is based. And many additional thousands of dollars were used by the publishers, and the General Conference, in order to bring this great project to completion. But the results to date have already fully justified the investment.

These volumes correct popular misconceptions concerning Adventism. They lift our whole movement—and its fundamental teachings on the second advent, eschatology, the prophecies, the Sabbath and Sanctuary truths, and the Spirit of prophecy—to a new level, and establish their historic soundness and certainty as never before. They remove us from the category of the cults, and establish us as the continuators and champions of the soundest and most orthodox interpretations of the Early Church and Protestant Reformation expositors. They show that we are their spiritual descendants, and constitute the present-day heralds of the truths they once held.

They provide the appealing approach to each leading religious group—Protestant, Catholic, and Jew—for all major contributions in our interpretation were anticipated and introduced by former leaders in these categories.

They provide a particularly favorable approach to all Protestant bodies, for each major group—Lutheran, Reformed, Anglican, Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational, Methodist,

Christian, Disciple—once held what we now hold on many vital interpretations. We are thus able to emphasize points of agreement with their spiritual forefathers, before noting present-day differences caused by modern departures.

They are already in the hands of hundreds of key non-Adventist religious and educational leaders, both in the Old World and in the New, and are now in over 1,000 of the leading university, seminary, college, public, and special private libraries of North America, Great Britain, Europe and other lands.

They are impressively illustrated with facsimile reproductions of title pages and key extracts from these older expositors, with original portraits of famous interpreters, scenes of historic episodes and dramatic moments specifically painted for this set. They are also an ornament to any library, as they are attractively bound in green Fabrikoid. Every progressive Adventist needs them.

Voice of Prophecy Log

ARKANSAS

Arkadelphia	KVRC	1240	9:30 AM
Fort Smith	KWHN	1320	10:30 AM
Helena	KFFA	1360	9:30 AM
Hot Springs	KWFC	1340	9:30 AM
Jonesboro*	KBTM	1230	10:30 AM
Little Rock	KXLR	1150	9:30 AM
Mena	KENA	1450	9:30 AM
Pine Bluff	KOTN	1490	9:30 AM
Springdale	KBRS	1340	10:00 AM
Stuttgart	KWAK	1240	9:30 AM

LOUISIANA

Alexandria	KSYL	970	7:00 AM
Baton Rouge*	WLSC	910	10:00 AM
Monroe	KLIC	1230	9:30 AM
New Iberia	KANE	1240	10:00 AM
New Orleans	WNOE	1060	9:30 AM
Opelousas	KSLO	1230	10:00 AM
Shreveport	KENT	1550	9:30 AM

NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque	KOB	770	9:30 AM
Artesia	KSVP	990	6:00 PM
Clayton	KLMX	1450	4:00 PM
Farmington	KVBC	1240	9:30 AM
Hobbs	KWEW	1490	9:30 AM
Las Cruces	KOBE	1450	8:30 PM

OKLAHOMA

Ada	KADA	1230	3:30 PM
Altus	KWHW	1450	9:30 AM
Ardmore	KVSO	1240	10:00 AM
Chickasha	KWCO	1560	9:30 AM
Elk City	KASA	1240	9:30 AM
Enid	KGWA	960	9:30 AM
McAlester	KTMC	1400	10:00 AM
Okla. City	KTOK	1000	10:00 AM
Okmulgee	KHBG	1240	9:30 AM
Ponca City	WBBZ	1230	9:30 AM
Tulsa	KRMG	740	10:00 AM
Wewoka	KWSH	1260	10:00 AM
Woodward	KSIW	1450	9:30 AM

TEXAS

Ablene	KWKC	1340	10:30 AM
Alice	KBKI	1070	6:00 PM
Amarillo	KAMQ	1010	7:30 PM
Austin	KVET	1300	9:30 PM
Bay City	KIOX	1270	10:30 AM
Beaumont (See Port Arthur)			
Brownwood	KBWD	1380	9:30 AM
Corpus Christi (See Alice)			
Dallas	WRR	1310	9:30 AM

El Paso	KEPO	690	9:45 AM
Fredericksburg	KNAF	1340	9:30 AM
Harlingen	KGBT	1520	5:00 PM
Houston	KXYZ	1320	6:30 PM
Laredo	KVOZ	1490	9:30 AM
Longview	KFRO	1370	10:00 AM
Lubbock	KSEL	950	1:30 PM
Lufkin	KTRÉ	1420	10:15 AM
McCamey	KCMR	1450	9:30 AM
Odessa	KRIG	1410	9:30 AM
Palestine	KNET	1450	9:30 AM
Paris	KPLT	1490	3:30 PM
Pt. Arthur	KPAC	1250	9:30 AM
San Angelo	KTXL	1340	9:30 AM
San Antonio	KONO	860	10:30 AM
Sherman	KRRV	910	9:30 AM
Stamford	KDWT	1400	9:30 AM
Sweetwater	KXOX	1240	9:30 AM
Texarkana*	KCMC	1230	10:00 AM
Tyler	KGKB	1490	9:30 AM
Vernon	KVWC	1490	9:30 AM
Waco	KWTX	1230	9:30 AM
Wichita Falls	KFDX	990	10:00 AM

* FM Simultaneous with regular broadcast.

Our Colporteur Evangelists

REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING
NOVEMBER 30, 1954
BRUCE M. WICKWIRE,
Publishing Secretary

ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA

Name	Bk.	Hrs.	Orders	Deliv.
Barnum, G. R.	GT	129	640.50	93.75
Conrad, A.	DRA	110	576.25	641.00
Galjour, Luke	BR	165	272.75	1898.25
Galjour, Mrs. L.	BR	141	498.90	674.15
Horton, C.	BR	127	257.00	261.00
Long, C. W.	DRA	142	809.35	809.35
McCoy, Denny	BP	102	225.10	225.10
McGinty, Hugh	GT	170	119.00	124.00
McMurry, E. J.	BR	149	488.75	205.45
Miller, B. L.	DRA	125	364.75	572.25
Miscellaneous		368	1331.00	2839.99
Sampson, C.	BR	174	62.75	1217.75
Sublett, Bill	DRA	135	338.25	196.25
Uhrig, Mrs. Pearl	BR	77	577.80	577.80
Ullrich, Mrs. F. O.				
BTS	93	188.00	96.75	

TOTALS 2206 6750.15 10,431.94

OKLAHOMA

Bone, Martha J.	GT	34	79.65	79.65
Burton, Andrew	TTL	78	240.90	240.90
Cavin, Enid	GTDA	120	200.65	200.65
Gilliam, Olen	Misc.	101	1148.21	1148.21
Haffner, Mollie		35	50.75	50.75
Harris, Mrs. O.	GT	94	119.30	119.30
Hart, Bessie	Mags.	83	78.50	78.50
Herber, Mrs. D.		56	234.99	234.99
Logan, Nancy C.		9	51.39	51.39
Marlin, Mrs. Elmo		10	37.00	37.00
Meier, Isaac	BR	57	125.19	125.19
Meier, Mrs. I.	GT	50	51.99	51.99
Miller, Frank	Misc.	51	246.35	246.35
Roach, Bob	NC	96	1685.23	1685.23
Newby, I. J.				
BPBRMMC	32	96.25	96.25	
Okle, F. L.	TTLH		26.50	26.50
Qualls, Earl	BPBR	69	531.25	531.25
Schilts, Mrs. M. L.				
MMCDRA	16	45.60	45.60	
Schnell, Mrs. Ora	GT	49	39.80	39.80
Seasly, Effie	BRGT	81	89.25	89.25
Southard, C.	BP	74	248.50	248.50
Sullivan, J.	GT	139	139.67	139.67
Terry, Mrs. E.	BTS	94	49.53	49.53
Unreported Del.			4500.00	4500.00
Whitten, Donna	GT	6	74.16	74.16

TOTALS 1434 10,190.61 10,190.61

SOUTHWEST REGION

Simmons, S.	MMCBR	180	252.11	252.11
Johnson, C.	MMCBR	41	23.50	23.50
Young, A. D.	MESS	157	295.50	295.50
Davis, J.	MESS	11	50.00	50.00
Harris, A. M.	MESS	68	52.50	52.50

TOTALS 457 673.61 673.61

TEXAS

Bensen, Bert	BRGT	70	478.30	478.30
Brown, Leta	BRBTS	57	174.65	174.65
Cone, Nora L.	GT	46	53.00	53.00
Davis, Mrs. R. L.				
BRSJ	53	152.85	163.60	
Hunt, Roger	BP	94	296.75	296.75

Jones, Margaret	BRBTS	12	70.40	70.40
McColrey, Mrs. C. H.	MMC		5.50	5.50
Rettig, Mrs. Cassie	BP	51	416.45	416.45
Sherrill, Mrs. E.	BRDRA	99	330.80	330.80
Simmons, Mr.-Mrs.	STBRSJ	64	153.20	153.20
Spear, L. B.		56	93.00	85.25
Spiva, J. D.	BP	13	241.75	241.75
Spiva, R. L.	BPBTS	155	759.45	759.45
Tidwell, Mrs. M. L.	BRMMC	85	194.10	194.10
Tidwell, M. L.	BRMMC	112	280.95	280.95
Tobias, Mary	SJ	3	17.25	9.75
Underdown, Plez DRA		176	430.00	190.00
Upchurch, Mrs. F. J.				
Waechter, Bert	BP	1		47.40
Williams, Earl	BPBRSJ	162	817.55	817.55
Adams, Eulalia	TT	20	80.00	80.00
Allman, Grace	TT	105	189.00	189.00
Guthrie, Edythe	TT	190	546.00	546.00
Johnson, Ingrid	TTLH	27	147.50	147.50
Kelley, Mrs. A. H.	TTLH	117	149.50	149.50
Kenyon, Mrs. O. M.	TTLH	36	87.00	87.00
Guss, Sarah	TT		15.00	15.00
Lindsey, Mrs. I.	TTLH	146	333.00	333.00
Keene Students	TT		84.50	84.50
Rutland, Alice	TTLH	65	155.21	155.21

TOTALS 2089 6962.66 6657.56

TEXICO

Barrett, R. E.	BPGC	6	57.60	57.60
Blake, E. R.	PPGCA	103	528.65	528.65
Brizendine, C. A.				
Brown, M.	BPGC	16	57.60	57.60
Colvin, Nora	BRGT	80	248.45	248.45
Deapen, Irene	GT	13	76.65	76.65
Dunlap, Elvin	GT	18	76.65	76.65
Ethridge, L.	PPGCA	27	63.30	63.30
Firestone, Mrs. F. J.	GT	35	57.60	57.60
Harville, Edna	DRBTS	27	141.10	141.10
McFadden, Mabel	GT	21	105.35	105.35
McMurray, J. O.	BP	1	26.45	26.45
Noel, Mrs. Walter	BPGC	17	101.30	101.30
Opp, Herman	BPGC	6	57.60	57.60
Pate, Mrs. Doris	PPGCA	92	273.70	273.70
Smith, Vivian	GTBP	12	93.85	93.85
Starr, M. D.	GT	27	79.00	79.00
Steele, Edwin E., Jr.	CPLH	59	288.60	288.60
Stephens, Lyman H.	BPGC	140	573.65	573.65
Trammell, E. R.	BPGC	97	561.20	561.20
Trammell, Mrs. E. R.	BPGC	130	475.50	475.50
Holder, Sharon	GCBP	21	90.30	90.30
Seery, Connie	GT	20	54.75	54.75
Misc.	BPGC		28.80	28.80
			21.90	21.90

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SOUTHWESTERN UNION 7,154 28,716.58 32,093.27

Southwestern Union Conference Session

Notice is hereby given that the seventeenth session of the Southwestern Union Conference will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, February 13 to 17, 1955.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers, to furnish reports of the work of the Southwestern Union Conference, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the Conference.

The first meeting is called for 7:30 p.m. in the Oklahoma City Seventh-day Adventist church at Twelfth and North Harvey Streets.

Regular delegates to the session are such persons as are accredited by the local conferences on the basis of one delegate for each organization and an additional delegate for each 150 of its church membership or major portion thereof.
L. C. Evans, President.
H. C. Kephart, Secretary.

Southwestern Union Conference Corporation Session

The Southwestern Union Conference Corporation is called into regular session at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on February 14, 1955, the first meeting to be at 10:30 a.m. in the Oklahoma City Seventh-day Adventist Church.

The delegates to the Southwestern Union Conference are also delegates of the Southwestern Union Conference Corporation.

The election of trustees, the submitting of reports, and any other business that properly should come before the Conference Corporation, constitute the purpose of this call.

L. C. Evans, President.
H. C. Kephart, Secretary.

Obituaries

BECKER, MRS. HENRY H.: Anna Deil was born June 27, 1881 in Russia. She came to this country and on December 26, 1900 she married Henry H. Becker in Kansas. In 1910 they moved to Oklahoma where she lived to the time of her death. She was a faithful member of the Hitchcock, Oklahoma, church. Surviving are her two sons, Herman and Harry; two grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Words of comfort were spoken by J. S. McIntosh, assisted by Esra Weis.

BRITTON, JAMES WALLACE, was born at Bunker Hill, Illinois, January 10, 1862 and died at Fairview, Oklahoma, December 19, 1954. Most of his 92 years were lived as a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church. He lived the last 20 years of his life in Fairview and Cleo Springs, Oklahoma. Four sisters and one brother survive him. Services were conducted in the Cleo Springs Methodist church by J. S. McIntosh, assisted by David Hagele and C. W. Nelson.

WHITCOMB, BIRD ABRAM, was born in Webster, Texas, January 4, 1874 and passed away Nov. 25, 1954, in Kingsville, Texas.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Manful, of Riviera; two daughters, Mrs. Alna Grant of Oakland, California and Mrs. Eva Aiken of Houston; and other relatives.

He accepted this blessed truth in 1906. He not only believed the truth but had a "love of the truth." The uppermost thing in his mind was to be ready to meet Jesus and to help others.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Elder L. G. Scales. N. H. Waters.

MCDUGAL, HORACE JEFFERSON, was born in Indianola, Oklahoma, August 27, 1902, and died December 9, 1954. He learned of this message through Brother Gus Robbins of Tulsa, and a strong conviction came to him nearly two years ago to give his heart to the Lord. He was baptized in November of 1953, joining the Seventh-day Adventist church at Jennings. He was a zealous worker for the Lord until his sickness last July. He is survived by his wife, Nancy McDougal, a daughter, and other relatives. G. E. Lindquist.

PURCZINSKY, MRS. BERTHA GUEDERIAN, was born in Washington County, Texas on February 5, 1874 and fell asleep in Jesus in her home at Levi, Texas, November 6, 1954.

Sister Purczynsky was united in marriage to Brother A. L. Purczynsky on December 24, 1891. In 1899 she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church. From that time her faith grew stronger. As the Lord permitted pain and suffering through her long illness to put the finishing touches upon her character, she

patiently submitted to her Master. She went to her rest peacefully with the hope of coming forth in the great resurrection morning in the bloom of eternal youth.

She leaves to carry on her beautiful Christian life, her faithful husband, Brother A. L. Purczynsky; three daughters, Mrs. Emma Roberts of Lorena, Texas, Mrs. Leona Overby and Mrs. Grace Moore, both of Waco, Texas; two sons, Willie Purczynsky of Lorena, Texas and Herbert Purczynsky of Waco, Texas. There are eleven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, in addition to a host of friends. R. L. Winders.

HARPOLE, MRS. N. W., of 323 Carolina Street, San Antonio, Texas, passed away November 27, 1954 after a prolonged illness. She was married to N. W. Harpole January 23, 1918 in San Antonio. In her early life she united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church and was a faithful member and loved to work for the church until the time of her death. There were no children born to this union but she leaves a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Surviving are her husband, N. W. Harpole, three sisters, Mrs. G. W. Dickerson and Mrs. F. C. McCune of San Antonio and Mrs. Clara E. Vickers of Pasadena, California, nieces and nephews.

JONES, WORTHIE T., was born January 18, 1896 at Coldwater, Tennessee. In 1911 Brother Jones joined the Seventh-day Adventist church. On June 15, 1924, he was married to Anna Burke of Sandia, Texas. To this union were born two sons and a daughter. Brother Jones was very active in the work of the church, devoting time earlier in his life to the colporteur ministry, and was at the time of his death Home Missionary Leader of the San Antonio SDA church. He passed away November 17, 1954 at home after an illness of three months. Throughout his illness he gave constant testimony to the love of God to his many visitors and his testimony was, "My faith is strong, my courage is good, my hope is bright." He died in the midst of a prayer. Left to await the call of the Lifegiver are: his wife, Anna Burke Jones of the home, one daughter, Ava Jones Gerrans of California, two sons, Tilden Jones of Santa Anna, Texas, and Teddy Jones of San Antonio, and four grandchildren; a brother, William R. Jones and two sisters, Miss Laura Jones and Mrs. Lillie Eaton.

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	Jan. 7 Jan. 14
Amarillo, Texas	5:51 5:57
Brownsville, Texas	5:54 5:59
Dallas, Texas	5:36 5:42
El Paso, Texas	5:18 5:23
Fort Worth, Texas	5:38 5:44
Galveston, Texas	5:36 5:42
Keene, Texas	5:38 5:44
Little Rock, Arkansas	5:14 5:21
Muskogee, Oklahoma	5:24 5:30
New Orleans, Louisiana	5:16 5:22
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	5:33 5:39
San Antonio, Texas	5:51 5:57
Santa Fe, New Mexico	5:06 5:12
Shreveport, Louisiana	5:25 5:31

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over MINUTE-MAN GOAL

(†Pastors with all churches in district over goal)

(**Indicates Double Minute-Man Goal)
 (***)Indicates Triple Minute-Man Goal!)

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Elk City	L. E. Rogers

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Do You Know?

It is reported that the American Red Cross, in one year, distributed some 88 million dollars for all purposes, including approximately 6 million dollars for emergency relief?

American Seventh-day Adventists' partial report indicates more than 10 million dollars' worth of relief work done during 1953?

Churches and other organizations are responding to human needs in increasing amounts often beyond their own available funds, and appreciate large or small contributions from those of good will and generous heart?

For one recipient, either individual or organization, to discourage the public from assisting charitable efforts of another indicates a lack of appreciation not dictated by good taste?



Brother Mansker says that though his total is \$200 above the district Minute-Man goal, he feels that they will still raise another \$300.

An Ingathering Imperative

With world opportunities so far exceeding our available funds, the very circumstance makes it imperative that Adventists respond in far more generous manner to the mission program at hand. An unprecedented Ingathering is of immediate necessity.

The caroling phase of Ingathering has been a great success. Some business solicitation has been very fruitful; more effort will multiply the income through that channel. Well organized door-to-door calls will be a splendid source and should be doubled this year.

There is one most promising and hitherto almost wholly neglected channel for churches to realize their full Minute-Man goal. Generous Ingathering contributions by our members are most urgently needed to meet the missions minimum total.

Some churches have almost unlimited territory and should work to roll up a new high overflow. However, both small and large personal contributions by members of all our churches are called for this year. This coming year at least fifty per cent of the total missions fund from the Southwest must come through Ingathering. Large churches, though with limited territory, must strive

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INGATHERING REPORT TO DECEMBER 11

Conference Minute-Man Goal*	NOV. 27 25%	DEC. 11 50%	DEC. 25 75%	JAN. 8 GOAL
ARK.-LA.				
GOAL				
Received				
OKLAHOMA				
GOAL				
Received				
S. W. REGION				
GOAL				
Received				
TEXAS				
GOAL				
Received				
TEXICO				
GOAL				
Received				
S. W. UNION				
GOAL				
Received				