



SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

"The Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9

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BUT AS FOR ME

Choose you this day whom ye will serve; . . . but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.—Joshua 24:15.

WHOM ye will serve this day, Oh, choose!

Your reason and your conscience use;

Will you the best of friends refuse,

Or your worst foe?

Your choice of service make this day,

Choose thou the Christ; for to delay

Is but to this dear friend to say:

"I choose the world."

Between the right and wrong choose ye;

Be saved or lost eternally;

"From God depart" or "welcomed be;"

What choice make ye?

But as for all my house and me,

The Lord our joyous choice shall be

Until, life past, his glory we

In heaven shall see.

—G. W. Davis.

STUDY TO SHOW THYSELF APPROVED UNTO GOD

"THE path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

Indifference to the study of the Bible usually precedes Laodicean lukewarmness in the service of God. When Satan cannot turn an individual aside from the study of the Word his next move is to set him to reading into the Bible something that is not really there. Sometimes comparatively obscure points are made to swell in importance in the mind until the plain fundamental truths of the message are lost sight of and the soul is darkened.

The soul in such a condition always sees his mole-hill as plainly as Eve saw that the forbidden tree was a thing to be desired to make one wise, and is astonished that his brethren cannot see it as he does. "In the multitude of counsellors there is safety." Study is safe, but beware of the spirit of controversy.

I quote from "Gospel Workers," p. 389, par. 3: "When persons meet together for the investigation of points of faith concerning which there is difference of opinion, the spirit which controls them will be manifested. Those who are standing in defense of truth should be calm and self-possessed. If they have the mind of Christ, they will be kind and courteous. They will not be betrayed into the use of harsh language. They will not regard themselves as infallible, nor look with contempt upon those who differ with them. They will not regard them as enemies, nor meet them with ridicule or jesting."

When differences arise, let us remember these principles, and be careful to know that it is the Holy Spirit that is guiding.

C. F. McVAGH.

PERSONAL LETTER

SEPTEMBER 30, 1910.

DEAR FELLOW WORKERS:—

I WISH it were possible for us to come together in person and talk about the lines of work over which the Lord has made us overseers. There are so many details that cannot properly or satisfactorily be discussed on paper, because correspondence does not furnish the means for close intercourse and exchange of ideas. Neither does personality count for so much at long range as it does when the face can be seen and the voice heard. But letter writing is better by far than nothing, so we will have to resort to it again, as there are a few special things I wish to write about and ask you to give them attention at your earliest convenience, if not before. Before will be better, for sometimes convenience is very tardy.

For some reason there seems to be a declining interest in the old-time home missionary work, or else our workers are making a wrong use of the text which says "let not thy right hand know what thy left hand doeth." But it seems a little inconsistent to apply the new version of this Scripture solely to the matter of missionary visits, Bible studies, writing missionary letters, loaning and giving away papers, tracts, etc. It seems to me the quotation of the text as a reason for not reporting individual work is more often than otherwise a cloak to conceal inactivity in missionary lines, and keeping a record of what we do and reporting the same. Our Southern Union Conference comes behind along these lines in the General Conference published reports more than any other union conference in the United States. Will you not join with me in a special effort to get our local societies and their individual members to go to work and then to faithfully report what they do? Please keep in touch with them by correspondence and see that they are supplied with record books and report blanks.

What I have said about the home missionary work applies also to the young people's work. It seems that this branch of our work also needs constant attention and encouragement. Oh, how good it would be if we all had an interest in the work, born of the Holy Spirit, so that those in charge need not wear themselves out by trying to get others to do their duty.

Are many of the young people in our conference pursuing the reading courses prepared especially for them? If so, encourage them all you can to persevere. If not, do your best to interest them in these studies. The knowledge they will gain by following up this prescribed course will prove to be of the greatest value to them.

Many of our young people are being lost to the cause because they are not acquainted with the evidences of the truths we hold and are not interested in studying them. The reading course has been arranged in such a way as to enlist their interests and make study pleasant as well as profitable.

I would urge those in charge of the young people's work to do everything they can along this line, and in other ways to secure the co-operation of the young people in all branches of the home work, for when left to themselves, or when unoccupied with something better, they are in great danger of falling away to the world.

There is still another matter to which I wish to call your attention, and enlist your active assistance. That is the Huntsville scholarship fund. I cannot but express disappointment, that this part of our work has been dragging along so long. I hoped that this fund would have been out of hand, and something else commenced before this. When a piece of work drags along, and we want to get it finished, somehow it begins to be an old story, and the interest commences to wane. I felt sure our young people would respond to this call so readily that the amount would be placed to the Huntsville account long before this. The greater amount already collected has not come from the young people, but from private individuals, and others to whom I have had occasion to write, and have enlisted their sympathies in this work. Will you not help push this fund, and get it out of hand by the end of the year? I feel sure you will do this, and the blessing will come to those that will make this a special burden. In volume nine of the Testimonies, we read, "We plead for the money that is spent on needless things. . . ." "What is it that makes the frequent calls a necessity? Shall we by refusing to give, retard the growth of these enterprises?" We lack \$16.00 to make up one scholarship, while we pledged to raise money for two scholarships. Are we going to fail? I hope not! Let us make a determined effort to get this amount before the end of the year, and I feel sure the Lord will be well pleased with the effort put forth.

May the God of all peace bless you in the work before you, I am,

Your fellow-worker in the cause,

M. H. CROTHERS.

Miss. Sec'y. and Sec'y. Y. P. V. S.

Our Publishing House

HOME OFFICE NEWS

OUR manager, Brother R. Hook Jr., writing from Washington under date of September 29, expresses himself as feeling that the cost council of the publishing house managers has been very profitable.

Brother I. A. Ford, manager of the book department of the Review and Herald, writing to our Atlanta office of the same council also expressed himself as feeling thankful for the light that was coming in in regard to cost of production.

He said he was very much gratified that he was privileged to attend the council.

Eld. R. M. Kilgore, who has been appointed to the conference work in Nashville for a time, was present at our chapel exercise Monday morning, and gave a very encouraging talk to the employees. He expressed himself as thankful for the privilege of meeting so many who are engaged in spreading the third angel's message in this field. He spoke of his early experience in the work in Texas, and said he was glad to hear the good report of the work that is being done in the State at the present time. He rejoiced especially to hear the prosperity attending the book work in that field. He said it indicated to him that the seed sown there years ago was producing abundant fruit.

Brother Bollman called attention to the fact that while

a large section of the Southwest suffered this year from a serious drought, which was thought at one time would greatly hinder the canvassing work, the book deliveries have never been better, and remittances from that section are coming in earlier than was expected, for the reason that the cotton was ready for picking sooner than it would have been had the season been normal. Also some are in the field canvassing who had not expected to be, so that really the dry weather instead of injuring the work has been an advantage to it. This should be an encouragement to us to realize that the Lord is able to overrule all these things to the advancement of his cause.

In a letter from Brother Beck of Kentucky, we have the following:—

"How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" Rom. 10:15. Let all join in the work as canvassers, ministers, Bible workers, etc., and bring the glad tidings of this message to the people.

"One man says the Sabbath question is settled in his mind after five weeks study of 'Bible Footlights.' Many here are interested,—some in the second coming of Christ, some, the prophecies, and some, health reform. I now rejoice that I have a part in giving this message and rest assured that 'The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him and delivereth them.'"

Paper sales for this office for week ending September 30th: *Watchman*, 1,780; *Gospel Sentinel*, 2,200.

Number of bound volumes sold from this office during the same week was 4,495. These figures were quite encouraging, especially when we realize that the schools are now in session and that a number who have been selling our papers and books to assist them in attending school, are not now in the field, but are pursuing their studies.

Periodical Department

GO AND DO THOU LIKEWISE

[The following letter from Bro. R. C. Spohr, missionary secretary of the Indiana Tract Society; who has been leading a campaign in behalf of the circulation of our different magazines during the summer, shows what can be done in this line of work by consecrated, energetic workers, and organized effort. We print it entire, hoping that it will encourage many others who would like to take up the work, but lack confidence in their ability to succeed. It should also inspire every believer with new earnestness and zeal. This company of workers has accomplished much by visiting different towns and cities during special occasions which brought together large numbers of people, and by going to amusement parks, etc., and this is all right. It is perfectly right to go to any place where good may be done, for the purpose of doing it. But except when on errands for the Lord, Christians should avoid such occasions and places.—S. P. A. per W. M. C.]

521 E. 23RD ST., INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

SEPT. 28, 1910.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,
NASHVILLE, TENN.

DEAR BRETHREN:

I HAVE been favored with letters from you many times, but seldom do I respond with anything more than an order for more papers. This time, however, the order for *Watchman* will be omitted and I will write at greater length than usual

Alabama Conference

SHEFFIELD

SEPTEMBER fifteenth Brother W. R. Elliott and myself came to this place to begin a series of meetings. The first two weeks were spent in house to house work, giving away papers and tracts, and in this way we became acquainted with the people.

September twenty-sixth we pitched the tent in a central location, and began meetings that evening. The first evening the tent was well filled, and the attendance has increased with each meeting. Sunday evening, October 2nd, every seat was filled, and many stood outside and listened attentively to the message of a soon-coming Jesus. The people are very friendly, and manifest quite an interest in Bible truths. A fine class of people are in attendance, many of whom have invited us to visit them in their homes, expressing a desire to become better acquainted with the truth.

We are praying earnestly that God will give us wisdom to present the message in the right way, that souls may be led to accept the truth. There is a very large population of people in the three cities, Tusculmbia, Sheffield, and Florence, Ala., besides the neighboring country around, which must hear the message for this time, and we feel very keenly the need of help from God that we may give the warning in no uncertain tones.

We have the privilege of renting a beautiful little brick church, centrally located. This church has lights, seats, stove, and organ, and can be rented for five dollars per month. We hope to be able to use this church for one winter's work, when it becomes too cold to hold meetings in the tent.

We are of good courage, and we earnestly solicit the prayers of our people in behalf of the work in this part of the harvest-field.

JAMES BELLINGER,
W. R. ELLIOTTE.

AN EXPERIENCE

WHEN I read the grand reports of our work from almost all parts, I rejoice in saying, surely the Lord is with us; and when I realize that each day's labor in this work brings the coming of our blessed Saviour nearer, my heart rejoices that I have a part in this finishing work. Although my place may be small compared with that of others, but I believe the Lord will award me abundantly. I want to say to all who are in the truth and are standing back saying, What can I do? Remember that there is a place in the work for you, and there are precious souls waiting for this message:

I remember that while canvassing the other day, I called at a residence, and was met by the lady of the house. After introducing myself, I told her I was doing a religious work in that section with gospel literature, which I wished to show her. She replied that it was not necessary for me to take up my time doing so, as her husband was not in and that they would not order anything if he were there, as they did not want any books. But I told her that I had not asked her to order anything, but would like to show her what this work contained, and if she would give a few minutes of her time to the Word of God I would proceed.

So, after making my canvass as pointed as possible in showing her the Saviour as he hung upon the cross that we might escape the wages of sin, and showing the great signs that foretell his second coming and explaining that they were almost fulfilled, she said with tears streaming from

During the summer we have learned by experience how to take advantage of special occasions in periodical business. It is not unusual for our workers to visit amusement parks and approach persons who are waiting for cars or who are standing about the entrance waiting for admission, explain to them the merits of the magazine, often stating that they are selling it to earn a scholarship, and thus make from twenty-five to fifty or sixty sales in an evening.

The September *Watchman* was an unusually easy seller, owing to the attractive cover and the special article on the significance of modern inventions.

Last week a company of five young ladies went with me to a city where an exposition was being held. We arrived on Thursday afternoon. Some magazines were sold during the day in the stores and offices, and then in the evening upon the crowded streets.

At five o'clock in the afternoon an exhibition airship flight was made. That evening and the next day, as also Saturday night following, it was no trouble at all to sell this *Watchman* with the picture of the airship printed on the cover.

During the time from Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock when the first sales were made until the following Sunday evening, at 6 o'clock, when the work was concluded, six hundred *Signs Monthly* for September, six hundred seventy-five *Watchman* for September, and four hundred fifty *Watchman* for October, making a total of seventeen hundred twenty-five magazines were sold. This is an average of more than four hundred a day for five individuals, and almost three hundred fifty for each of the five for the four days.

The best sales were made by one young lady Saturday evening between the hours of seven and ten, when she sold one hundred twenty-six copies of the *Watchman*, part of them being September and part being October papers. This is the best record that I know of for any Indiana worker, but it was made by a young lady who has not had much experience in periodical work.

The best record for the entire time was made by another young lady, who sold one hundred thirty copies on Thursday, ninety on Friday, one hundred Saturday night, and one hundred thirty-five on Sunday, a total of four hundred fifty papers for four days' work, not more than six hours being spent in selling papers any one day.

We do not, of course, have any way of knowing how much good these magazines will accomplish, but we do know that the Lord has promised to water the gospel seed that is sown, and we feel very sure that the magazines sold contained the truth for these times. We also know that many persons purchase papers from young ladies who approach them on the street, who would not in any other way get this truth. We have many times had the pleasure of seeing persons read papers thus sold.

If the publishers continue to get out interesting magazines and all of our people do their part in carrying them to the people, many will yet receive a knowledge of the truth through these magazines.

I am very thankful, indeed, that it has been my privilege to conduct such a vigorous campaign this summer, and trust that the Lord's blessing may be upon the seed sown and upon the workers, most of whom are now in Beechwood Academy securing additional training for service for the Master.

Wishing the *Watchman* an abundance of the Lord's blessing and with kindest regards to all the workers there, I remain,

our brother in the Master's service,

R. C. SPOHR, *Missionary Secretary.*

her eyes that she must have one of the books, and that she knew her husband would be more than glad to read one, as they had wanted something like that for a long time. After I had secured her order it seemed that she could not get through thanking me for calling, and after I had passed on I found that she had telephoned three or four of her neighbors, urging them to buy one of the books. This resulted in an order at each place. So brethren, you see though Satan is trying to use the phone to hinder our work, the Lord is using it to help spread this message. To him be all the praise.

R. T. JACKS.

CHANGE OF PRESIDENTS IN ALABAMA

WHEN Elder Haysmer was called to the North American Negro Department Eld. J. R. Bagby of Oklahoma was chosen to take his place as president of the Alabama Conference. By faithful and energetic labor Elder Bagby won the confidence and love of the laborers and people, and the work in Alabama made progress under his direction. The climate, however, did not agree with his wife and daughter and after trying it for nearly a year and a half his family found it necessary to return to their home in Oklahoma.

At the Calera camp-meeting Elder Bagby was re-elected president, but after further correspondence with his family he asked the committee to release him that he might labor nearer home. This was done, and after due consultation Elder E. G. Hayes, of Louisville, Ky., was elected to take his place.

Elder Hayes is a man of broad and varied experience and worthy of the confidence and support of his fellow laborers in Alabama. Elder Hayes is spending two weeks in Alabama with Elder Bagby, who expects to leave early in October.

We were sorry to disturb the good work that Brother and Sister Hayes have been carrying on in Louisville, and we hope soon to secure competent help for that important city. Elder Hayes will move his family as soon as he can look the field over and select a location.

C. F. MCVAGH.

Kentucky Conference

THE MISSIONARY REVIEW

THE time for the 1910 ingathering for our missionaries has come. Regarding its importance, I quote from a recent letter from Elder Daniells, the president of the Mission Board: "I am writing to you—one of my fellow laborers in the cause—to ask for your co-operation in securing workers for our foreign work. In a statistical table printed in the January number of the *Missionary Review of the World*, there was given a report of all the missionary enterprises of the world at the present time. This report shows the standing of the sixty-two organizations of all denominations. Of the sixty-two organizations, thirty-two are American, sixteen British, nine German, and five are miscellaneous.

All these societies are carrying on missionary operations in fifty-seven countries and large divisions. Seventh-day Adventists are operating in forty-three of the fifty-seven named in this report.

The largest number of countries, in which any other board or society is operating, is ten. The fact that our board is working in all the principal lands in which all other boards of the world are working, shows how world-wide our movement has become.

This rejoices all who love this message. We have been telling that the message would reach all lands. We now

are seeing its fulfilment. Should not all our people in Kentucky earnestly engage in circulating the intelligence that the message has become world-wide, and be gathering means to support it in all these countries?

Only think that last year there were seven hundred thousand missionary *Reviews* printed and sent out, and that the people who believe this message gathered up and sent to the mission treasury about thirty-four thousand dollars to replenish the then empty treasury. We should do more this year, for there is a greater demand. The message is swelling into the "loud cry." The missionary *Review* is sent free, and the individual is asked to circulate them and ask for donations. Order at once, if you have not already done so, from our secretary, Mrs. R. M. Landon, 411 Alfred St., Lexington, Ky.

A. O. BURRILL.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT IT?

It has been said by magazine workers that they could not make the house to house work pay. It also has been said that Lexington is a hard place to canvass. Now let us see about this.

Hattie Hicks and Runie Walbert have just begun a thorough house to house canvass for the *Watchman* in Lexington. They have worked 30 hours and sold 136 magazines. If these two girls (one sixteen years old, this her first experience with *Watchman*, and the other fifteen, with no experience in canvassing) have made 25.2 cents per hour, does house to house work pay? (Acts 20:20) and if Lexington is a hard place, what about the other cities?

Let us go to work at once while the field is ready to harvest and do something for the Master.

Don't be afraid to write for information.

C. F. DART.

425 E. 6th St., Lexington, Ky.

MAGAZINE AGENT'S REPORT

For week ending September 24, 1910

Agents	Papers	Hrs.	Ords.	Delvd.
Minnie Adams	L&H	36	446	\$44 60
Anna Adams	L&H	36	446	44 60
Rose Shasky	W, HAUS	4	17	1 70

WHAT A SCHOOL GIRL DID

JESSIE ROGERS of the Southern Training School spent her vacation canvassing in Kentucky for "Past, Present, and Future" and "Best Stories."

She worked 431 hours and placed in the homes of the people 207 books, or 77,298 pages of present truth. This is an average of thirty-four pages to every family in the three towns she canvassed.

The value of books delivered was \$244.90. Her profits amounted to \$122.45, or over twenty-eight cents per hour.

One thing that helped her to succeed, and which was greatly appreciated, was her willingness to follow advice.

Let others be encouraged by this to go out in the name of the Lord, and do something for the Saviour.

C. F. DART.

425 E. 6th St., Lexington, Ky.

WHEN home is ruled according to God's Word, angels might be asked to stay at night with us, and they would not find themselves out of their element.—*Spurgeon*.

"If sin were not so deceitful, it would not be so delightful. Like an angler, it shows the bait, but conceals the hook."

Louisiana Conference

PROGRESS

THE work is progressing. Five have stepped out to obey at Rayville. A sister has begun to keep the Sabbath at Stevenson, La., as a result of reading. She purchased a book last spring from one of our canvassers.

We must rally to the support of our ten-cent-a-week fund. Let us try to double our Sabbath-school offerings in the present quarter. We can if we will.

Pray for the work.

E. L. MAXWELL.

HARVEST INGATHERING

THE Harvest Ingathering is right upon us, and we must be up and doing. No extra copies of the *Harvest Review* will be sent to *Review* subscribers this year, therefore you should order more than last year. Each church-member should order at least ten copies, and in or near the large cities many more should be used.

Let us all take hold of this work to make it a success. Every one can do something, and God expects it of us. The isolated members have a special opportunity to engage in this work.

Read over the instruction leaflet that you have received, and then order your papers. When they come, go to work with them, trusting in His promise who said, "Ask and it shall be given you."

Yours for the cause,

E. L. MAXWELL.

NEW ORLEANS

ON Monday, September 19, at 10 A. M., fifteen adults and as many children and youth assembled at their pleasantly located school room to organize the first church school in the history of the church, with Sister Nellie Travis, of Graysville, as teacher.

Our hearts swelled with gratitude to the Most High as we sang appropriate songs. Brother Saxby read Deut. 6: 1-7 and John 21: 15-17, making a few brief remarks. Prayers were offered by several.

After again singing Brother Saxby read from volume six of the Testimonies, emphasizing our duty to the young, the co-operation of parents with teachers, selection of teachers, and banishing the spirit of criticism.

Sister Travis was invited to speak. She talked to the little ones. The parents and church-members were then invited to express themselves, and a number responded with hearty words of welcome to the infant school which we hope in the near future to see divested of its swaddling clothes and taking rank with others of a like character.

The school is ideal for location, presenting a scene of restfulness and quiet. The Lord surely led in all this. Brethren and sisters, pray for this school, for we realize that we have taken upon us a heavy responsibility.

FRANCES P. GOODWYN.

MONROE

PERHAPS some of the readers of the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER would be interested to learn of the progress of the work in this part of the field.

Brethren J. E. Hanson, O. F. Frank, and the writer conducted a tent effort at Rayville, La., which closed September 11.

The people there manifested a good interest. Six took a

firm stand for the truth, a number of others are deeply interested. Of those who accepted the truth, one has been a teacher, and at one time president of the leading Methodist college of this State; he has also been at the head of other educational institutions both in this State and Texas. He is now in Monroe, for a few weeks' stay, and is attending the services. He is an earnest Bible student and expresses his sincere gratitude for the light received. We believe he will be an important factor in the work. The writer delivered eleven copies of "Daniel and the Revelation" to interested persons, and we hope that these silent messengers will carry the truth home to their minds.

We reached Monroe the 14th inst., and after a few hours' search, secured a beautiful location on the court-house square.

The attendance has not been as good as it might for a city of its size (15,000), but it is gradually increasing. Those who come seem deeply interested in the message we are giving them. One of the most highly educated ladies of the city, has been to the tent for several services, and says that she never heard the Bible so well explained before.

Another encouraging word about the book work! Some of those who purchased books of us at Rayville, expressed their highest appreciation of them. A prominent lawyer's wife, a lady of high social standing, said that she would not part with her book for twice what she gave for it. "Most invariably when an automobile drive is proposed," she said, "that book has to be taken from some member of the family."

She also said that she intended lending it to her neighbors when all the family finish reading it.

Such testimonies are very encouraging, and serve to renew our strength for the great work before us. L. B. SPEAR.

Mississippi Conference

NOTICE

THE Mississippi Conference office and tract society are now located at 353 McKee St., Jackson, Miss. All mail for Eld. W. S. Lowry, president of the conference, and for Miss Beulah M. Callicott, secretary and treasurer, and tract society secretary, should be sent to this address. All orders for books, tracts, papers, etc., will be promptly filled.

BEULAH M. CALLICOTT, Sec'y.

HARVEST INGATHERING

As the time has come for us to engage in another ingathering campaign by circulating the *Review* and soliciting for missions, we take this means of calling your attention to this very important work.

It was voted by the General Conference that this year the work of the campaign be conducted by the local conferences. We ask you, therefore, to call a meeting of the church at once, and decide how many copies of the campaign number of the *Review* you can and will use this year. Send your order immediately to the tract society secretary, Miss Beulah Callicott, 353 McKee St., Jackson, Miss. She will send your order to the *Review* and *Herald*, and the papers will be sent direct to you from that office. You can divide the papers and territory among yourselves as you think best. But do not fail to solicit free-will offerings for foreign mission work from those to whom you give papers.

Now, dear brethren and sisters, do not pass this important matter carelessly by, but let us all join heartily in this campaign. This plan has proved to be a successful way of raising means for the support of our missionaries. Then there

are the added blessings which come to every one who heartily engages in this work, and to those who receive the papers.

We hope to receive from you at once a large order for this paper, that you may begin work without delay. Let all isolated Sabbath-keepers send in their orders too.

W. S. LOWRY.

deliveries. The experience has strengthened my faith and trust in God, whereby I hope for his blessings upon me further in new fields.

HENRY C. BALSBAUGH.

Our Schools

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT

Present Membership	21
Number taking Reading Course.....	18
Junior Membership	9
Letters Written	15
Letters Received	8
Missionary Visits	22
Papers Sold	613
Books Loaned or Given Away.....	14
Pages of Tracts Given Away	686
Hours Christian Help Work.....	48
Articles of Clothing Given Away.....	2
Meals Provided	41
Offerings for Foreign Missions.....	\$11.50
Offering for Home Missions.....	2.65
Conversions of Young People Reported.....	8

MRS. MARY M. CRAWFORD.

Sec'y. of Dept.

Tennessee River Conference

OBITUARY

FOLLOWING a lingering illness of tuberculosis, Mrs. Agnes Pierson, aged fifty-seven years, died at three o'clock Monday morning, September 26, 1910, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred English, 314 Harrison Street, Paducah, Ky.

Mrs. Pierson was born in Marshall County, but had resided in this city for several years. During that time she had made many friends. She was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church. The funeral was held at the family residence. The Rev. M. E. Dodd, of the First Baptist church officiated. She was laid at rest in the beautiful Oak Grove cemetery. It was sad to part with our sister, but we believe that she rests in Jesus, and will come forth in the first resurrection to receive a crown of life.

MRS. A. M. TYER.

A YEAR'S WORK

IN counting up the visible colporter work God enabled me to do in and about Dickson, Tenn., I found it amounted to \$1,170.00. I was located there about a year. The time of actual canvassing was between ten and eleven months.

Having just moved to Huntingdon, Tenn., and some of my effects not being unpacked I have not the exact figures of this work before me. They are about as follows: "Great Controversy," 267 (about ninety of the better bindings); "Desire of Ages," twenty-eight (about one half in the better bindings); about three hundred sixty "Best Stories;" thirty "Christ Our Saviour;" Bibles and Testaments, one hundred sixty (about fifty morocco bindings); and miscellaneous, about twenty-five.

The territory of this work represents poor and rugged land, poor people, many unable to read, and nearly all without definite desire or knowledge of the soon coming of Christ.

I met every delivery date with prayer and fasting that my faith might not fail, and to the praise of God I had good

DOUBTLESS all Seventh-day Adventists will admit that our present system of schools has been established under the directing hand of God to do a definite work, but what that work is, and how we may help them to accomplish the work they are intended to do, receives but little thought from many of us.

What is the purpose for which they are established? Is it not first, if need be, to lead them to know Christ, then to instruct them in the things that go to make up a well balanced Christian character, and to fill them with a burning desire to carry this last message of mercy to the ends of the earth? If not, what is the use of our maintaining them as we do? The worldly schools educate the youth in worldly things. "What we need to-day is not an education that will simply fit young men and young women to enter the avenues of commerce, or to stand high in the scientific or professional world; what we need, and what we must have, is an education that will fit young men and young women to carry this gospel of the kingdom to all the world; an education that will fire the mind with an intensity of purpose, and fill the heart with a burning zeal to carry this truth to those in darkness."

Continually the calls are coming, through the *Review*, and our other periodicals, and by urgent appeals in personal letters to the various conference presidents, and other heads of departments, for recruits for the Lord's army.

Pitiful is the situation of those to whom these urgent calls come continually, for help and only a few, comparatively, can be answered, except to say "we cannot send help now; be patient awhile longer." These calls are for young people, those who have the best years of life before them, and who can adapt themselves to the conditions of the field, and prosecute the work with the vigor of young manhood and womanhood.

Those on whom fall the burden of supplying these calls are looking to our schools for recruits. Some are found year by year. But there are scores of youth, children of Seventh-day Adventist parents, living from day to day without any purpose in life except to "make a living," or, else worldly honor and distinction, or wealth, is held up before them as the goal to be reached.

Let us get higher ideals for ourselves and our children. Some Luthers or Wesleys may be dormant in that untrained boy of yours, dear parents, and oh, for the divine touch to bring out the latent possibilities in him! There is no greater work than this.

Will you, as parents, consider your responsibilities in this matter, and will you not young people, set yourselves to work to get a training for the Lord's work and have a part in giving this last message to the world? Your own salvation and that of others depend on it. Begin now.

A. N. ATTEBERRY.

Hazel, Ky.

THE HAZEL INDUSTRIAL ACADEMY

OPENING

THE school began its work for the year 1910-11 on Wednesday, September 14th, as announced in the calendar.

Our conference president was with us at the opening exercises, and spoke briefly of the beginning of the school at this place and of its past work. Dr. W. H. Mason Jr., and others were also present and spoke of the advantages of our schools over those of the world and of personal benefits derived from our first established schools. The regular work of the school is now well under way, and one could scarcely find a more earnest, diligent class of students than we have this year.

We will be glad to correspond with any others who may think of coming. We still have calendars for those who may desire them. Write for one at once, and plan to come.

Our tuition rates are very low, and some work is offered to young men, which will help to lessen the expenses.

Address A. N. ATTEBERRY, *Principal*.
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General

THE RIGHT THING AT THE RIGHT TIME

THIS is God's order. Just now it is the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Satan always suggests a number of good excuses for not doing the right thing at the right time. Every conference officer and church elder should feel when a general campaign is appointed for a certain time that for the time being that takes precedence of everything else until all the people are thoroughly awakened and the supplies systematically distributed so that all can strike together while the iron is hot.

In the last ingathering seven hundred thousand *Reviews* were distributed, and the net income to the Mission Board was about thirty-five thousand dollars. Every person and church should endeavor to do more this year than last. It certainly is about the least we can do if we go out and distribute a number of these good papers and ask for donations to missions. The amount realized will apply on your ten-cent-a-week fund.

C. F. McVAGH.

TAKE TIME TO PRAY

How many times we make the excuse that we are too tired or too busy to pray, and yet we find that in the busiest times our Master took time to talk with the Father.

"It was from the secret place of solitary prayer that the peril of the disciples called Jesus. He had experienced a crowded day. Exhaustion had laid its hand upon him. He had surely earned repose. Nevertheless he was not 'too busy' or 'too tired' to pray. He could do without food and sleep and the society of his friends, but the time alone with the Father he counted essential. We notice how keenly alert and obedient Jesus was to the highest needs of his nature. He kept his spirits attuned for its best capabilities. Though trite, the statement is tremendously true that everybody needs supremely to cultivate the higher, deeper, Godward side of his nature. We cannot afford not to pray."

BLESSED is the man who has the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things, but above all is the power of going out of one's self and seeing and appreciating whatever is noble and lovable in another man.—*Thomas Hughes*.

A BRIGHT, happy soul, rejoicing in all God's gifts, seeing cause for thankfulness and gladness in everything, counting up

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ALABAMA CONFERENCE

NAME	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Delivered
A L Kiehnhoff	PP&F	47	27	\$57 50	\$29 60	\$87 10	\$ 2 00
W A Nelson	..PP&F	45	33	63 50	11 25	74 75	
Geo W Brown	2BFL	75	11	13 00	24 00	37 00	36 75
R T Jacks	....BFL	40	31	33 00	8 50	41 50	
O A Prieger	..PP&F	20	14	26 00	4 00	30 00	10 00
R Roberts	...BFL	44	1	1 50	3 00	4 50	41 35
Indiana Bains	..PP&F	7	9	13 50		13 50	7 50
M L Ivory	....BFL	73	9	13 50	1 50	15 00	4 75
M L Ivory	....BFL	67	3	4 50		4 50	12 30
Cornelia Caldwell	PPF	17	3	5 50		5 50	9 00
Lurena Haynes	PP&F	6	2	3 00		3 00	10 00

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

H E Beck	....D&R	47	7	16 00	9 75	25 75	
Jessie Rogers	..PP&F	17					81 00
M J Weber	....BFL	41	37	37 50	1 00	38 50	3 00

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

L P Broussard	..BFL	22	8	9 00	50	9 50	8 50
G Jorgenson	3WPP&F	136	21	27 50	3 50	32 00	25 00
G S Rogers	....D&R	32	3	7 00	10 00	17 00	17 00
Gordon Reynolds	PPF	11					10 50
Jno Harzman	...GC	56					46 30
I T Reynolds	..PP&F	10					15 00
M B Wilson	...PP&F	52	53	85 00	3 50	88 50	
J J Jobe	.....MISC	38	125	105 00		105 00	3 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

J S Fry	.....D&R	46	7	14 00	50	14 50	3 50
W H Haddon	..BFL	43					4 30
Virgil Smith	...D&R	23					25 35
E L Marley	....D&R	12	6	14 00	1 00	15 00	50
A O Waite	....BFL	45	45	48 50		48 50	
J P Campbell	..BFL	18	21	32 60		32 60	
Emily Billups	..BFL	50	60	60 00	14 75	74 75	
Susie Creath	...BFL	20	36	39 00	8 70	47 70	

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

Jos Saml Moore	Popfj	41	14	7 95	5 25	13 00	2 75
Mamie Moore	..D&R	33	33	78 00	8 75	86 75	1 00
T J Tyer	....BFL	39	10	12 00	1 50	13 50	
M Wheeler	...BFL	49	41	46 00	4 50	50 50	
H C Balsbaugh	..GC	49	27	33 00	9 25	40 25	1 75
J H Parrott	....CK	43	46	49 00	12 75	61 75	5 50
R H Hazelton	sofp	30	5		19 00		6 00

SUMMARY

Alabama Conf	....	441	143	234 50	81 85	316 35	133 65
Kentucky Conf	....	103	44	53 50	10 75	64 25	84 00
Louisiana Conf	....	357	210	233 50	17 50	252 00	125 31
Mississippi Conf	..	257	175	208 10	24 95	233 05	33 66
Tenn River Conf	...	284	176	225 75	61 00	265 75	17 00

Totals 1442 748 955 35 196 05 1131 40 393 61

mercies rather than trials, looking at the bright side, even of sickness, bereavement, and death—what a fountain of goodness and love of Christ such a one is! I remember one who, torn with sickness and sleepless nights, answered to the question if the night did not seem interminable: "O no; I lie still and count up my blessings!"—*Sidney Lear*.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

MINISTERS should be faithful watchmen, seeing the evil and warning the people. Their dangers must be set before them continually, and pressed home upon them. The exhortation given to Timothy was, "Reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine."

God wants men to cultivate force of character. Those who are merely time-servers are not the ones who will receive a rich reward by and by. He wants those who labor in his cause to be men of keen feeling and quick perception.—*Gospel Workers*, p. 82.

"REMEMBERING the story of the founding and the early history of the two cities, Boston and Baltimore, one thinks of Boston as the Puritan town and of Baltimore as perhaps the most conspicuous Roman Catholic city in the United States. Yet the religious statistics of the census office show that in Boston the proportion of Roman Catholics is more than twice that in Baltimore; that with the single exception of Cleveland, Baltimore is the most Protestant of all the cities of the country; and that only New Orleans is more Catholic than Boston."

ABOUT ten miles of the Panama Canal are now open. Five miles at the Pacific entrance are used by vessels of all kinds. Five and a half miles at the Atlantic entrance were opened in August for the use of construction barges. Work on the Gatun dam and the great locks is progressing so satisfactorily that it is confidently predicted that the plan to run ships through its whole length before the close of 1915 will be carried out.

"PARIS—and the rest of the world—had its laugh when a few women undertook to earn their living by cab-driving. But the women have succeeded; they make the living they are after, and incidentally better the lot of the Paris cab horse—never a very happy one—as far as they can. It is said in one of the cab stables that a certain horse, regarded as so vicious that no man driver would use him, has by a woman's kind and gentle treatment been so tamed that it is one of the best animals in the stable."

THE path of sorrow, and that path alone,
Leads to the land where sorrow is unknown.

—Cowper.

PREPARE TO MEET THY GOD

I AM still rejoicing in the truth of God. I feel and know that we are drawing near the time of the end, when the truth of God will triumph. We see on every hand signs that tell us we are on the very threshold of eternity. Are we prepared to meet our God? Have we laid all upon the altar? Are our treasures in heaven? Or have we got our mind centered on something of this world? Where our treasure is there will our heart be also.

The time has come, I believe, when every true child of God should examine his heart by the searchlight of God's Word with fasting and prayer, and see where he stands, and if there is anything that stands between him and his Heavenly Father. May God help us to take hold of his promises as they are. May his Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

No matter what comes before us, we should not fear, for he has promised never to leave us nor forsake us. In Isa. 41:10-13 is a wonderful promise: "Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness. Behold, all that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish. Thou shalt seek them, and shall not find them, even them that contend with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought. For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee." It has helped me, and may help others if they will take it for all there is in it. Let us, as God's people, climb the ladder found in 2 Peter 1:5-7; for he says, "If these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."—*Charles B. Beckworth in Atlantic Union Gleaner*.

It is a great deal better to live a holy life than to talk about it. Light-houses do not ring bells and fire cannons to call attention to their shining—they just shine.—*D. L. Moody*.

"THERE is a demon in every drop of whiskey, in spite of the sugar and water you may mix with it."