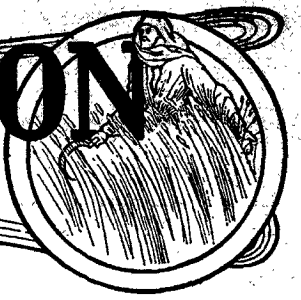


SOUTHERN UNION WORKER



"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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A Sabbath School

A Sabbath school, what is it?
Its outline seems so dim,
Can you not make it plainer?
Has it no synonym?

O, yes! it is a fountain
Where living waters flow;
It is a sacred river,
That washes white as snow.

A guidepost pointing upward
To mansions in the sky,
A horn of plenty reigning
O'er fields, both far and nigh.

A Sabbath school's a grindstone
For sharpening gospel tools,
A pottery for molding
The church by heaven's rules.

It's a recruiting station,
And gospel armory,
Where soldiers try their weapons,
And make their foes to flee.

It is the silver trumpet
Which sounds the forward march,
And makes alarm notes echo
Through palace, dome, and arch.

It is an incubator
That hatches missionaries,
A furnace where is kindled
The power that does and dares.

A Sabbath school's a magnet,
That draws until it wins,
A strong and trusty life-boat,
That saves from deepest sins.

A nursery for starting
Young plants and baby trees,
A hive where sweetest honey
Is stored by busy bees.

It is a seed supply store,
A gold and diamond-mine,
A sanitary market
For bread and milk and wine.

A Sabbath school: what is it?
We're where we did begin.
A ship for all the family
To go to heaven in!

"Our school is not," you whisper.
Why not, my brother, why?
You'll hit where you are aiming;
Are you not aiming high?

Unite, and *study daily*,
As you've ne'er done before;
To work! for *every pupil*,
And heaven's help implore.

Attend the teachers' meeting;
Help make it a success.
Lift, lift, all lift together!
Your God will surely bless.

—Helen Adair.

An Unusual Situation

Seldom, if ever, have our Sabbath schools been called upon to relieve so desperate a situation as that which is presented to us in the object of the next thirteenth Sabbath offering. There is no need in all our foreign work that is more urgent, more appealing, than for literature to be provided for the nations, kindreds, tongues, and people in the Asiatic Division. Native believers are waiting with outstretched hands for the truth-filled papers, books, and leaflets which they can so easily sell to the millions who must hear this truth before the work can be finished. There is in some of these places a veritable famine—a famine for the printed message of the third angel. One would think that the real difficulty would be to get the literature carried to the homes of the millions in these lands, but, no, the problem now is to get the message printed.

Imagine the tenseness of a meeting like this: The superin-

tendents of these far-away mission fields assemble at a central point with two or three of the leading General Conference visiting brethren. Each man has brought from his field his budget of items with the approximate cost,—so much for the wage of workers, so much for the maintenance of the work already started, so much for the absolute necessities, so much to fit out the little printing plant that willing, faithful colporteurs need not quit their work for the lack of the printed page. Each man in accordance with instructions from headquarters has already pared his budget of items and costs down to the quick. The columns are added. The totals are brought together. The grand total for the whole field is staggering. It is far beyond the amount that can be counted on as coming from us to the mission fields.

What can be done? Only one thing. Items in the budget

must be cut down. Again the lists are gone over. And with every stroke of the pencil each heart grows heavier.

A superintendent of one of the fields arises and asks, "Brethren, does this mean that we cannot have our little printing plant?"

"That is what it means," is the reply.

And the man who has arisen sinks back in his seat with a blanched face, tear-dimmed eyes, and a prayer to God for help. Strong men weep with him, but the work of cutting out items from the budgets still goes on.

Now, brethren and sisters, those men count on the Sabbath schools giving \$30,000 on December 29. But that is all they count on from us. With a burden on my heart, such as I have seldom carried, I ask you, Is that all we are going to give? Remember, every dollar given beyond that amount will help put back some item of need in the publishing work which is now stricken from the budget. At the recent council meeting held at Minneapolis, every cord limiting the use of the thirteenth Sabbath offering was cut, and we can sacrifice to our utmost to swell the offering on December 29 with the assurance that the overflow will be directly used for the specified needs.

How much better than \$30,000 can we do?

MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER, *Secretary S. S. Department.*

Almost Gone

The time is rapidly passing when periodicals can be purchased at the old prices. Have you renewed your *Review*? Here are some testimonies as to its value:

"I tried to get along without it two or three years because I felt I couldn't take it (not because I did not want to). But oh, what I suffered. No one knows how I missed it. I bore the agony as long as I could, and finally decided I would again subscribe for it at any cost. I felt I would be willing to go without some other things less needful in order to have the good old *Review* come to my home once more. Being an isolated Sabbath-keeper, it is truly comforting and keeps one in touch with the message and our ministers and workers in the field."

"To me the *Review* is one of the essentials of spiritual growth. I cannot be without it as long as I desire to keep growing in the message work!"

"Sometimes I get weary and lonely and the time looks long, but the good old *Review* follows me around the country, and if it does not reach me when the Sabbath comes I miss it very much. It cheers me on my way. It keeps me abreast of the times. It shows me what God's people are doing all around the world. It tells me that the poor heathen are being won by the thousands for Christ. The best of all, it tells me that Christ is soon coming in the clouds with great power and all his host of holy angels. Then we are going to be caught up to meet the Lord in the air."

"I cannot get along without it, and I am glad I cannot. It brings us all as believers in this message closer together. I believe I have taken it ever since I became a Seventh-day Adventist, and I hope to take it till the end."

"I can truthfully say it has been a great help and comfort to me these many years, as I have been a reader of the *Review* ever since I was sixteen years old in my father's home. I have read it for more than forty years, and I could not do without it now."

"I have been a subscriber for the *Review* for over five years. I would not do without it. I would rather go hungry than do without the *Review*. I also subscribed for it for two of my daughters. One of my daughters has been giving it to her neighbor and she has begun to keep the Sabbath. When I have read mine I send it to a niece, who seems to appreciate it very much. She writes that her father and husband both enjoy reading it. Her husband before this time was almost an infidel, and she says he spent one whole Sunday reading our literature."

"I have had the good old *Review* to read most of the time ever since I can remember. My father took it while he lived. And I hope I never will be without it while this world stands. Our people do not know what they are missing when they are without the *Review*."

"Dear old *Review*: How could I do without your weekly visits? I should feel lost, deserted, and lonely. I am looking for you every Thursday. How many good sermons the *Review* carries to me! A live minister has not been to visit us here for more than a year. But the *Review* brings us sermons full of life in their influence, comforting and strengthening us."

What about your *Signs* weekly club, that paper so greatly used of the Lord in saving souls? Have you sent in your renewal, and increased your club for the greater needs of next year? That those not of our faith value this paper and are benefited by it the following statements show:

"We read the *Signs of the Times* from beginning to end, and it is the best little paper of its kind we have ever read. Thank you."

"I think it is kind of you to write to me as you have and to send that instructive paper, the *Signs of the Times*, so frequently. As little drops of water wear away the hardest rock, so has the influence of the *Signs of the Times* effected a change in my outlook on life and things in general."

"I am not a Seventh-day Adventist, but I believe in the *Signs of the Times* and the soon coming of Christ. Your paper deals very plainly with this subject, and I shall be glad to take it again."

"I found a copy of the *Signs of the Times* and found the truth in every word I read."

"One of our isolated sisters sent us an order for five *Signs* weekly to be sent to her neighbors. Accompanying the order was a very interesting letter from a person who has been reading the paper, and who finds in it much light for this time. She also tells of another person who is so interested in the paper that she can scarcely wait for the next one to reach her. Still another, who has been reading the *Signs* for only a few weeks, is very anxious to learn more."

Surely you want to share in the circulation of a paper that is having so much influence. Get your order in for your *Signs* club before the year ends and have the benefit of the old prices.

How about the *Church Officers' Gazette*? Every church officer should take it and study it, in order to become better fitted to be a leader in God's work. No one should be content with present attainments, but all should strive to attain greater efficiency. Matter for the *Gazette* is prepared by workers of long and varied experience. Up to the end of this year it is 50 cents for single subscriptions, and 35 cents for two or more copies to one address for the year. After that it will be 10 cents more. Get in your orders and renewals early.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

Beginning January, 1918, *Present Truth* will be changed to a monthly and the subscription price reduced to 15 cents, or seven subscriptions for \$1.

While the series thus far published can always be had in any quantities for regular missionary work at present wholesale prices, the 1918 issue will cover different subjects, and will be furnished in bulk at the regular quantity prices.

One copy of each issue of the 1918 series will be sent free to all United States *Review* subscribers, that they may have an opportunity of examining each number as it comes out, and thereby will know whether it will be adapted to immediate needs in their local missionary work.

The extremely low rate of seven subscriptions for \$1 is made to encourage our people to send large numbers of the paper to friends by the year, the plan that has brought most gratifying results in the past.

Louisiana Conference

Honor Roll

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Mrs. J. T. Ezell Elder O. F. Frank

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 Mrs. May Ulmer* C. B. Caldwell
 A. Covert* Mrs. J. B. Collie*
 Dr. A. K. Brown Edward Cain*
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 Mrs. Laura Brown

SUGARTOWN

Mrs. Mattie Johnson

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 Mrs. J. H. Shasky**

SHREVEPORT No. 2

Lacotte Green**** R. Roberts**
 Clara Moore* Lizzie Longware
 Mary Roberts

NEW ORLEANS No. 2

Daisy Smoot A. R. Bell
 E. Z. Schemell

News Items

Watch for the Harvest Ingathering report from your church in the next issue. We would like to have given a full report of the amount received from each church, but as the November funds have not yet been received from so many of the churches up to the time of sending this report to the WORKER, a complete report will be sent next week.

1914 Louisiana Tract Society Sales \$ 5932.00
 1915 Louisiana Tract Society Sales 6050.77
 1916 Louisiana Tract Society Sales 10623.89
 1917 Louisiana Tract Society Sales 15859.90 (11 mo.)

Elder Frank is just closing his effort at Fullerton, and is returning to Lake Charles. A full report of the meeting will be given in the next issue.

Elder and Mrs. Sanders spent Sabbath, December 2, with the Lake Charles church, and from there go to Welsh and other points in the interest of the work.

Elder McLennan reports a good interest being taken in the meetings conducted in Plain Dealing, with prospects for some new Sabbath-keepers soon.

The 1918 Morning Watch Calendars are ready for mailing.

What more appropriate remembrance can you send or give to your friends as they turn over the leaf of the new year?

Save money!! How? By sending in your subscription to the tract society at once for the periodicals you need next year. Make a list of the papers you would like to take, and the tract society will be glad to tell you how much you can save by subscribing now.

A Prayer

Keep us, O God, from pettiness; let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.

Let us be done with faultfinding and leave off self-seeking. May we put away all pretense and meet each other face to face, without self-pity and without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in judgment, and always generous. Teach us to put into action our better impulses, straightforward and unafraid.

Let us take time for all things; make us grow calm, serene and gentle.

Grant that we may realize it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are as one.

And may we strive to touch and to know the great common heart of us all; and, O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind. —National Food Magazine.

Alabama Conference

Honor Roll

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A. L. Miller* Mrs. Newsome
 Mrs. W. R. McLure* Mrs. Clara Miller****
 M. L. Wilson Mrs. M. L. Wilson
 Mrs. C. D. Elford*** Mrs. J. L. Kelley*
 Mrs. J. R. Whitaker E. E. Spencer
 Mrs. Belle Ash F. J. Rowland
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 Classie Powers Bessie Powers
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C. A. Blackwood

MONTGOMERY

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 R. E. Chapman

“Exercise is the best remedy for ‘cold feet.’”

Testimonies on the Colporteur Work

The first message from God relative to the publishing work was given in 1849, and reads: "You must begin to print a little paper and send it out to the people. Let it be small at first; but as the people read they will send you means with which to print, and it will be a success from the first. From this small beginning it was shown to me to be like streams of light that went clear round the world."

"The work has been presented to me as at its beginning, a small, a very small rivulet. The representation was given to the prophet Ezekiel of waters issuing 'from under the threshold of the house eastward . . . at the south side of the altar.' 'Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea; which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed.' This work was represented to me as extending to the east and to the north, to the islands of the sea, and to all parts of the world. As the work increases, there will be a great and living interest to be managed by human instrumentalities."

"We cannot too highly estimate this work; for were it not for the efforts of the colporteur, many would never hear the warning. This is the very work the Lord desires his people to do at this time. All who consecrate themselves to God to work as canvassers are assisting in giving the last message of warning to the world. . . . If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the people, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."

"The time has come when a large work should be done by the canvassers. [This is fulfilled in a measure today.] The world is asleep, and as watchmen they are to ring the warning bell to awake the sleepers to their danger. . . . Men and women are wanted now who are as true to duty as the needle to the pole—men and women who will work without having their way smoothed and every obstacle removed. . . . To every man God has appointed his work; not work in his field of corn and wheat, but earnest, persevering work for the salvation of souls. There are many who can help in the work of selling our periodicals. The Lord calls upon all of us to seek to save perishing souls. Satan is at work to deceive the very elect, and now is our time to work with vigilance."

"The work of publication was represented to me by the figure which Christ used, the vine. . . . In God's wise arrangement there is diversity, and yet he has so related each part to the others that all work in harmony to carry out his great plan in extending the knowledge of God and Jesus Christ whom he hath sent. . . . Each branch bears its burden of fruit, and all together make a harmonious whole, a complete, beautiful unity."

In the closing up of the work we have these encouraging words: "The seed has been sown, and now it will spring up and bear fruit. The publications distributed by missionary workers have exerted their influence, yet many whose minds were impressed have been prevented from fully comprehending the truth or from yielding obedience. Now the rays of light penetrate everywhere, the truth is seen in its clearness, and the honest children of God sever the bands which have held them. Truth is more precious than all besides. Notwithstanding the agencies combined against the truth, a large number take their stand upon the Lord's side."

Do you not want a part in the great work?

M. L. WILSON.

News Items

Now is the time to subscribe for your papers for next year. You can get them at the old price for the remainder of this year and for all of 1918. When sending in your subscription, be sure to send for the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER.

Brother Q. Tew was an office visitor last week, having completed his work in Lawrence County.

We wish we could visit all the churches during the week of prayer, but while we cannot do this we hope every church and every company will have a most blessed season together.

A fitting close for the week of prayer will be to make a dollar day thank-offering the last Sabbath.

A week or two more and the Harvest Ingathering campaign for 1917 will be over. While the campaign is closing we hope there will be no letting down in the work. The last days are just as good as the first.

A very attractive book, "The Food Question," published by the Pacific Press, reached our desk recently. It contains 96 pages, and will prove a real help to those reading it, dealing as it does with food, economy, practical suggestions, menus, etc. It sells at the price of the Crisis series, namely, twenty-five cents, paper bound, fifty cents in the cloth, with subscription price to agents.

Sister S. D. Miller, of Selma, sends in a very interesting experience regarding her work in her home town of Selma, having returned there after several years' absence. She finds that her friends and neighbors are now willing to listen to the truth, where formerly they turned a deaf ear to the Word of God. She is having good success in the Harvest Ingathering work.

M. L. Wilson visited Brethren Edwards and Harrison last week to encourage them in the work.

Brethren S. W. Lorren and Earnest Waters, of Borden Springs, called at the office Monday on their way to Cardiff. Brother Lorren placed his order for the Review. Now is the time to subscribe for the Review while you can get it for the remainder of this year and all of next year for \$2.25. If you wait until the first of the year it will cost you \$2.50 a year.

No one should fail to attend a single meeting during this week of prayer if it is possible for him to be present.

We hope to see the largest thank-offering given this year that has ever been given. None should give less than a dollar. The mercies of God for the year are certainly worth that amount. Many can give more. The cause needs it.

Recruits for the Colporteur Work

We believe that God is moving upon the hearts of his people to give themselves to him for service. In answer to a call from Mobile, Elder Miller and the writer made a visit to several churches in the southern part of the State in behalf of the colporteur work. In Mobile we met with a very hearty response, both on the part of the workers and the church, and in answer to the call made for recruits to the work a number gave us their names. Brother C. A. Abrams, who has been helping in the effort there as tent master, is impressed that the Lord is calling him to more active service in his cause. Brethren E. W. Crabtree, Respees, Reed, and others expressed themselves ready to answer the call and have begun making plans to attend the coming institute which will be held January 16-20, 1918.

Our next stop was made in Pensacola, where we had a very pleasant visit with the isolated white members of the conference church and with the colored church. Our heart goes out to these people who are deprived of church privileges, but God has so ordained it that all can have a part in the work, and these brethren and sisters want to do their part. Sister Lorena Haynes plans to take up the work with small World Crisis Series and expressed her faith in the work by placing a cash order for some books.

"The hunter who never goes to see if his shots bring down the game hasn't much faith in his marksmanship. Is this not equally true of the preacher who fires away from his pulpit week after week without ever calling for penitents?"

Truly there is a great work that can be done with these small books that God has caused to be put out by our publishing houses to meet the demand for a low priced, truth-filled book. They contain just what the people want,—an explanation of the events of today and the unrest that is making men fear for looking after those things that are coming upon the earth.

From Pensacola Elder Miller returned to Birmingham, and I went on for a short visit with Brother Harrison and Brother Edwards. We enjoyed our visit with these brethren and the churches at Ashford and Dothan. We were with the Ashford church over Sabbath and Sunday, and all enjoyed the meetings very much. There was quite an interest in the message among the outside people at this place, due to the missionary campaign that is being carried on by the church. The church elder, Brother Smith, is doing systematic work with *The Watchman* and World Crisis Series. The Sunday night meeting was well attended, and all seemed very much interested in the subject presented.

Truly God has gone before his people and prepared the way, and the "call of the hour is to be answered by the coming of the man." The message that came to us through the spirit of prophecy a few years ago we will soon see fulfilled. I read from Volume VI, page 22, of "Testimonies for the Church": "We have no time to lose. The end is near. The passage from place to place to spread the truth will soon be hedged with dangers on the right hand and on the left. Everything will be placed to obstruct the way of the Lord's messengers, so that they will not be able to do that which it is possible for them to do now.

We have warnings now which we may give, a work now which we may do; but soon it will be more difficult than we can imagine." Will you not answer the call and help us now to do the work that will soon be so difficult to do? We shall be glad to hear from any who feel that the Lord is calling them to more active service, even though you cannot give your full time to the work. One church elder went out a few Sundays ago and sold in the one day \$6 worth of books and papers for cash. Others can do as well. M. L. WILSON.

Kentucky Conference

Honor Roll

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|---------------------------|----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| LOCKPORT \$44.25 | | DAVISVILLE \$71.69 | |
| Mrs. Bettie Wallace | C. L. Hornung | Mary Ramey*** | Lytha Ramey**** |
| Mary Aldridge***** | | Halah Ramey** | O. R. Staines* |
| CONFERENCE CHURCH \$69.46 | | LOUISVILLE (COLORED) \$150.56 | |
| J. P. Salmon* | Mrs. M. E. Cannon | Chestnut St. Church | |
| Mrs. E. F. Monohan | Mrs. Lee Page | Julia Williams*** | George Slaughter* |
| Mrs. Una Patton | Jefferson Hickman | Margaret Miles* | Mrs. L. Steele |
| Jesse E. Miller* | | Dora Wages* | Wm. Fort* |
| LEXINGTON (WHITE) \$57.24 | | Mrs. Ada Fort | Mrs. Jannie Faris |
| Mrs. B. E. Wagner** | Mr. B. E. Wagner* | Elder Campbell | |
| Sister Steele* | Sister Tyrer | LEXINGTON (COLORED) \$52.20 | |
| Brother A. Tyrer | Mrs. T. O. Bivins* | Dr. Mary Britton | Mrs. Ella Brown |
| LOUISVILLE \$611.49 | | Mary Taylor | Mrs. Ada Saulter |
| James Hickman***** | Mrs. C. Heinig** | J. A. Chiles | Fred S. Keitts |
| Mrs. McNabb***** | | LOUISVILLE, SHELBY ST. (COLORED) \$4.45 | |
| James McNabb | John McNabb | Mrs. Jennie C. Thompson | |
| R. I. Keate** | G. A. Davis* | OWENSBORO (COLORED) \$26.70 | |
| Miss Woodie Hollis | Mrs. M. Ewald* | Mildred Lewis | Cora Winston* |
| Mrs. Toops** | Mrs. Hornung | Wm. Winston* | |
| Mrs. A. Todd** | Chas. McNabb | FORD \$85.00 | |
| Mrs. Lizzie Hollis | Mrs. S. D. Bossing | D. R. Allman* | Mrs. Lucy A. White* |
| Mrs. E. Glenn* | Mrs. Burton Castle | Mrs. Mollie Kindred | Mrs. C. W. Vermillion |
| Mrs. M. Lucas | Mrs. L. Schickli | Mrs. D. R. Allman | Pearl Vermillion |
| Miss Anna Hornung | Mrs. F. Martin | R. W. Harris | Kindred Coleman |
| Mrs. Geo. Young | Mrs. John Wilhelm*** | Elder W. H. White | C. W. Vermillion |
| Walter Pfund | Mrs. Leona Schrader* | TRI CITY \$67.46 | |
| Mrs. E. Banks | Theodore Kroeger | Mrs. Edith Johnson | Elder Dow |
| Miss Gladys Clark | Miss Edna Kroeger* | Mrs. O. A. Dow**** | Garnett Webster** |
| Mrs. C. Meyer | John Hornung | BOWLING GREEN \$7.00 | |
| Mrs. R. I. Keate | Mrs. L. Hess | Mrs. T. A. Potter | |
| Miss Ethel Wascom | Burton Castle | SEWELLTON \$13.03 | HARTFORD \$8.45 |
| Mrs. L. Gatten | Mrs. R. Priest | HENDERSON \$1.75 | GROVE \$5.45 |
| Miss Mary Foree | Mrs. A. Kroeger | SAND HILL \$6.60 | |
| Miss Lillian Marr | Mrs. F. Dobbs | | |
| Mrs. M. Young | Mrs. D. Harrison | | |
| S. D. Bossing | Mrs. N. Peterson | | |
| Mrs. P. L. Buss | Miss C. Hornung | | |
| Mrs. M. Schornberg | Mrs. M. Marr | | |
| Mrs. M. Pfund | | | |

Each name represents \$5 raised and each star an additional \$5.

A star following the name of a church indicates an amount raised equal to \$5 for each member, and puts that church on the Honor Roll.

Covington

It has been some time since we reported our work in Covington. Four have recently come into the church by baptism. Four other adults have lately begun observing the Sabbath. These bring with them sixteen children to Sabbath school. This makes quite an addition to our services held on the Sabbath. ~~Two others began the observance of the Sabbath but have failed to attend services.~~ Another sister began to live this truth but moved away before entering the church. We hear that she is still faithful.

We have raised \$69.31 Harvest Ingathering. This makes a total of \$138.85 for missions that goes toward our twenty-cent-a-week fund, according to our treasurer's book.

We are of good courage in the Lord and are striving to reach the goal set for our people. O. A. Dow.

News Items

Brother Harry Jacobs, elder of the Grove church, reports activity in the Harvest Ingathering campaign there.

Brother Winston, of Owensboro, writes: "Three of our members have left the city, leaving six to carry the load, but we have set our goal at \$50 just the same, and God being our helper we shall not come short of it."

Brother O. R. Staines, our union missionary secretary, wired us for four hundred Harvest Ingathering papers yesterday to be used in Kentucky by the Davisville church school pupils. We await with interest the report from this effort.

Some time ago we received a letter from an interested person giving the name of M. T. Hendricks, Freeman, Ky. This man writes that he has begun to keep the Sabbath. We are informed by the local post office that there is no such office as Freeman. Any one who is able to help us to reach this man please write to the Kentucky Conference office.

The annual week of prayer season is right upon us. December 8-15 has been designated as the time set apart for this special season.

Magazine Sales for November

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|------------------------------|-----|---------|
| Jones | 475 | \$47 50 |
| Ford | 150 | 15 00 |
| Hess | 30 | 3 00 |
| Gatton | 50 | 5 00 |
| Kentucky Tract Society | 100 | 10 00 |
| Totals | 805 | \$80 50 |

Mississippi Conference

Honor Roll

JACKSON
Mrs. Ida Harrell Mrs. Offut
VICKSBURG
Mrs. Henry Balsbaugh Henry Balsbaugh
CONFERENCE
Mrs. Ethel Warren Mrs. B. W. Watson
Mrs. J. N. McLeod

"Don't be disturbed by a little faultfinding. Go ahead with your work and do your best every time and all the time."

Tennessee River Conference

Honor Roll

\$5 OR MORE

NASHVILLE No. 1

| | |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| James Bellinger | Mrs. M. J. Shockley |
| Mrs. James Bellinger | W. A. Harvey**** |
| M. F. Knox**** | W. R. Elliott** |
| R. L. Pierce**** | |
| H. A. Varney | F. E. Pfeiffer* |
| Mrs. L. O. Moore | Mrs. James Haggard |
| Miss Anna Adams | Mrs. Fred Robert |
| Mrs. W. F. Alexander | Church School Children |
| J. W. Hoover | Mrs. J. W. Hoover |

HAZEL

J. R. Kennedy***

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Thanksgiving Program

An interesting Thanksgiving program was rendered by the Junior Y. P. M. V. society the night of November 30. It was the time of the regular Y. P. M. V. service at the Publishing House chapel, and every seat was taken when the time came to begin the program.

The program consisted of special songs, review of the Morning Watch, recitations, and a Bible reading. It was directed by Professor Crawford and Miss Robert, the church school teachers; and the children did well in spite of a few mistakes, which were enjoyed as well as though they were a part of the program. Mr. Crawford promises us another entertainment to commemorate Washington's birthday, and he hopes to have an excellent program at that time.

"He who realizes his own deficiencies will spare no pains to reach the highest possible standard of physical, mental, and moral excellence."

"He who would maintain a reputation as a truth-teller should avoid running into debt; for true is the old saying: 'Lying rides on debt's back.'"

A Chapter from the Canvassers' Chronicles

It came to pass in the reign of King Disorder, in the seventh year of his reign, that there rose up certain mighty men of valor and said one to another, Go to, let us move the world. So when they had taken counsel together they set forward to canvass. But they thought scorn to consult with the State agent. And behold they went to a notable city and abode there certain days and endeavored to convert all the inhabitants thereof; warning and admonishing them, and with many words persuading both men and women.

Now it came to pass as they were in the market-place, that great opportunities for missionary work presented themselves, even to speak unto the men that resorted thither, so that for the space of several hours, they did naught except give the message. Yea, they warned those who harkened, to beware of the beast or his image, or the number of his name. And as the people seemed slow to understand, they upbraided them for their blindness of mind and hardness of heart. And because such abundant opportunities presented themselves to

give the message, it came to pass that they sold few books, so their cash waxed low. Then called they on the State agent and asked if the emergency fund might not afford them some help. But the State agent answered them roughly and cast devices and magnified himself against them, even to the extent of suggesting that they would do better to do more quiet canvassing and less preaching. But they said among themselves, "We will not have this man to rule over us." So they continued as they had aforesaid. But many tempestuous times arose, by reason of which one went to his farm and another to his merchandise. And lo, one said unto his fellow, "Behold the world we planned to move, remains unmoved." And it was so.

Now the rest of the acts of the men, and how they are yet in debt to the publishing house, and how they spoke bitterly of the hard-heartedness of the State agent, and vowed never to have anything more to do with canvassing, behold are they not written in the chronicles of every State agent's experience?

T. H. Jays.

Colporteurs' Report

Week Ending December 1

ALABAMA CONFERENCE

| Book | Hrs. | Ords. | Value | Helps | Total | Deliv. |
|----------------------|------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| G W Brown . . . BF | 45 | 8 | \$12 00 | \$ 5 25 | \$17 25 | \$17 50 |
| R J Cook BF | 37 | 16 | 20 00 | 25 | 20 25 | 24 00 |
| H L Edwards* . . BR | 41 | 28 | 110 00 | | 110 00 | |
| J W Harrison . . BR | 11 | | 36 50 | | 36 50 | |
| M S Peppers . . . BR | 14 | 6 | 21 00 | | 21 00 | |
| G W Powers* . . BF | 43 | | | 6 75 | 6 75 | 118 00 |
| Q Tew* HM | 40 | | | | | 88 00 |
| Bibles | | | 3 15 | | 3 15 | 3 85 |

Totals (Agts. 7). 243 69 \$202 65 \$12 25 \$214 90 \$251 35

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

| | Hrs. | Ords. | Value | Helps | Total | Deliv. |
|----------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|
| Hatton Ford* . . BF | 64 | | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$109 00 |
| R J Hyatt* . . . BF | | 7 | 10 00 | 12 15 | 22 15 | 36 50 |
| I E Bradley . . . BR | 10 | | | | | 31 25 |
| Anna Gore . . . BF | 2 | 4 | 6 00 | 5 25 | 11 25 | 25 |
| F E Treés . . . D&R | 23 | 5 | 19 50 | 3 25 | 22 75 | 3 25 |
| Jno C Gaevrt D&R | 24 | 6 | 21 00 | 1 25 | 22 25 | 1 25 |
| Jno W Wilhelm BR | 8 | 8 | 29 00 | 50 | 29 50 | 50 |
| James Hickman BR | 13 | 17 | 61 50 | 5 75 | 67 25 | 4 25 |
| Lee Page BR | 8 | 6 | 21 00 | 21 00 | 42 00 | |
| Warren Judson . BR | 22 | 6 | 24 00 | 2 25 | 26 25 | 18 25 |
| Jeff Hickman . . BR | | | | | | 25 50 |
| Miscellaneous . . BR | | | | | | 19 50 |

Totals (Agts. 11) 174 59 \$192 00 \$51 40 \$243 40 \$249 50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

| | Hrs. | Ords. | Value | Helps | Total | Deliv. |
|---------------------|------|-------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| Floyd Booth . . BR | 21 | 14 | \$26 50 | \$ 1 90 | \$28 40 | \$ |
| Drue Bowen . . . BR | 88 | | | | | 414 00 |
| Henry Balsbaugh BR | 36 | 15 | 37 50 | | 37 50 | 6 50 |
| A L Hamm . . . D&R | | | | 4 50 | 4 50 | 212 50 |
| Hattie Jacob . . HM | | | | 2 00 | 2 00 | 56 25 |
| Beauford Staton BR | 35 | | 5 00 | 5 00 | 10 00 | 183 00 |
| Virgil Smith . . BR | 60 | | 7 25 | 7 25 | 14 50 | 434 50 |
| E A Taylor . . . BR | 50 | | | 50 | 50 | 303 50 |

* Two weeks.

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| J L Waller . . . D&R | 97 | | 6 25 | 6 25 | 223 50 | |
| Bibles | | | | | | 18 25 |

Totals (Agts. 9). 387 29 \$64 00 \$27 40 \$91 40 \$1852 00

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

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|-----------------------|----|----|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Wm J Keele . . . D&R | 26 | 7 | \$22 50 | \$ 8 75 | \$31 25 | \$111 00 |
| Paul Keele . . . D&R | 26 | 9 | 24 50 | 8 50 | 33 00 | 4 75 |
| Mae Keele . . . Helps | 12 | | | 12 50 | 12 50 | 9 75 |
| A E Rosel . . . Helps | | | | 3 75 | 3 75 | |
| Lawrence Reese BR | 30 | | | | | 92 70 |
| M Wheeler . . . D&R | 42 | | | | | 823 00 |
| R H Hazelton . . BR | 30 | 8 | 32 00 | 1 50 | 33 50 | |
| Milton Young . . BR | 9 | 10 | | | | 36 50 |
| Bibles | | | | | | 37 00 |

Totals (Agts. 8). 176 34 \$79 00 \$35 00 \$114 00 \$1114 70

G'd Totals (A. 42) 1274 294 \$955 10 \$283 30 \$1238 40 \$3596 72

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

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|----------------------|----|----|---------|--------|---------|-------|
| John Harzman . BF | 24 | 29 | \$42 50 | \$ | \$42 50 | \$ |
| J B Hardy . . . BR | 20 | 8 | 32 00 | | 32 00 | 25 50 |
| F W Schmehl* . BR | 34 | 38 | 148 00 | 75 | 148 75 | 10 00 |
| R R Coble* . . BR | 45 | 28 | 105 00 | | 105 00 | 6 22 |
| M B Wilson . . . BR | 30 | | | | | 80 00 |
| M S Hubbell* Misc | 82 | | | 152 25 | 152 25 | |
| L B Spear . . . Misc | 59 | | 71 75 | 4 25 | 76 00 | |
| Bibles | | | 18 20 | | 18 20 | 7 45 |

Totals (Agts. 7). 294 103 \$417 45 \$157 25 \$574 70 \$129 17

Summary to Date

| | Hours | Orders | Helps | Total |
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| Alabama Conference . . | 14329 | \$17773 00 | \$ 929 60 | \$18765 60 |
| Kentucky Conference . . | 14598 | 23177 85 | 1856 16 | 25034 01 |
| Louisiana Conference . . | 6976 | 15114 05 | 878 10 | 15992 15 |
| Mississippi Conference . | 13517 | 29441 80 | 1991 82 | 31433 62 |
| Tenn. River Conference | 11609 | 15117 75 | 1887 00 | 17004 75 |

Totals 61029 \$100624 45 \$7605 68 \$108230 13

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Useful Christmas Gifts

As a denomination we do not recognize Christmas except as a worldly holiday, but so much is made of Christmas and New Years by the world at large that oftentimes it becomes necessary to send a "Season's Greetings" to some friend or make a small gift. Our books or a subscription to some one of our publications should be just the thing for this purpose. There is variety enough to suit every pocketbook, and the truth-filled literature will be a great help in leading souls to Jesus.

The Watchman Magazine has recently placed with the tract societies a very attractive holiday card in a neat envelope. This may be purchased, and represents one year's subscription to *The Watchman*. You can mail it or give it, to some friend the same as a Christmas gift, and the magazine will be sent him every month for a year. Let us take advantage of every opportunity afforded by the world to carry present truth to our relatives, friends, and neighbors, and thus finish the work.

Kentucky Harvest Ingathering News Items

Total amount reported to Dec. 1, 1917, \$1,282.78.

All Harvest Ingathering money should be handed to your church treasurer each week.

Church treasurers should send in all funds for the church by January 1, if possible. As the last Sabbath in the month will be December 29, it will be possible for all to do this.

The Lockport church is the first and only church, thus far, to reach its goal of \$5 per member.

Three churches,—Locust Branch, Powder Mills, and Bowling Green (colored)—are the only churches which have not sent in a Harvest Ingathering report. Several others have not reported for one week or more.

The following are churches that are nearing their goal: Louisville, Davisville, Lexington, Ford, Tri-City.

"Those who reject the privilege of fellowship with Christ in service, reject the only training that imparts a fitness for participation with him in glory. They reject the training that in this life gives strength and nobility of character." "Education," page 264.

Elder Keate writes from Davisville: "Today we expect to baptize five young people from twelve to eighteen years of age."

And speaking of the Harvest Ingathering campaign, he says: "The girls from here had to go sixteen miles through the country to get to the railroad and then over twenty miles by railroad to get to a good place to work. They are giving about a week of time."

The following is taken from the Week of Prayer number of the *Review and Herald*.

"THE GREAT APPEAL"

"The shortness of time and the world situation today constitute the greatest appeal in behalf of missions that ever reached the ears of man. On the last day of the week of prayer the annual offering for missions is to be taken. In every church and in every home may there be a solemn consideration of what God expects and enables his stewards to do.

"A small gift representing sacrifice and a large gift involving sacrifice, are equally acceptable to God. May his children bring with the gifts on Sabbath, December 15, a dedication of means as well as of hearts to Christ and his cause.

"The Mission Board."

A Reminder

Will you remember your friends at the holiday season? Candidly now, do you think of anything that would please them more than a year's subscription to the bigger and better *Signs Magazine*? It would be a monthly reminder of your love and thoughtfulness. Soon, January 1, the \$1.50 rate will go into effect. Only \$1 now; or if you send in five or more subscriptions you can get the sixty cent rate.

Southern Junior College

News Notes from Collegedale

Miss Dixie Lea, of Cleveland, Tenn., spent a few days with her sister at Collegedale recently.

Miss Gradye Brooke and her brother spent Thanksgiving with their parents in Alpharetta, Ga.

Brother W. E. Abernathy was a visitor at the Southern Junior College Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mr. Edgar Hoskins and little sister, Evelyn, are spending a few days with their parents in Birmingham, Ala.

The readers of the *WORKER* will be glad to know that the heating plant for the girls' dormitory is now completed, which makes all the rooms very pleasant and comfortable.

The students at the Southern Junior College enjoyed an unusual treat Thanksgiving day. A splendid dinner was served, for which the dining-room was appropriately decorated, the tables being arranged in the shape of a "T." After dinner toasts and short talks were given, Professor Thiel leading in a toast to our absent friends. The evening was spent in listening to musical selections, after which light refreshments were served.

A number of students spent Thanksgiving day with relatives and friends in Graysville, Tenn. Among them were Miss Olive Rogers, Messrs. Golden and William Rambo, Warren Franklin, and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gray.

Prof. and Mrs. J. A. Tucker left for Atlanta, Ga., Friday morning for a few days' visit with friends. Mrs. Tucker returned Sunday night.

Special Notice to Young Men

All of our young men who have changed their address since registering last June should by all means notify their respective boards of their new address at once. The questionnaires will be mailed the fifteenth, and failure to return them within seven days automatically places the registrant in Class 1.

LYNN H. WOOD.