

"MY MEAT IS TO DO THE WILL OF HIM THAT SENT ME, AND TO FINISH HIS WORK."

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A Need for Revival and Reformation

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Much instruction has been given us regarding our need of a spiritual revival and spiritual reformation. Without doubt this blessed experience must come to all those who are prepared for translation. It has been stated that before the final visitation of God's judgments upon the earth, there will be among the people of the Lord such a revival of privative godliness as has not been witnessed since apostolic times.

We have it represented to us too, by the spirit of prophecy that there is to be "a great reformatory movement among God's people. Many were praising God. The sick were healed, and other miracles were wrought. A spirit of intercession was seen, even as was manifested before the great day of Pentecost. Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families, and opening before them the word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a spirit of genuine conversion was manifest. On every side, doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. The world seemed to be lighted with the heavenly influence."—Volume IX, page 126.

God is to be glorified in His people before the world. He expects those who are preparing for His coming to represent Him in word, thought, and deed. The blessed message of salvation He has given us is to be interwoven in all we do and say. Activity, however, will not take the place of a living, Christian experience. "Let us remember that a Christlike life is the most powerful argument that can be advanced in favor of Christianity, and that a cheap Christian character works more harm in the world than the character of a worldling. Not all the books written can serve the purpose of a holy life."—Volume II, page 21.

He who really hears God's word sounding in the three-fold message cannot doubt that we are living in the very closing hours of human probation, and it calls for earnest prayer and great searching of heart for it is the most important and solemn thing man ever did, to get ready for the coming of Christ, for their robes must be spotless, their characters must be purified from sin by the blood of sprinkling. Through the grace of God and their own diligent effort, they must be conquerors in the battle with evil."—*Great Controversy*, page 425.

The revival of true godliness, our greatest need, will not come to the individual or church unless it is sincerely desired and earnestly sought for, and who would be expected to lead out in this mighty cry for help more than the gospel ministers and church officers. The ministers are exhorted to weep and cry to God to spare the people "and give not thine heritage to reproach." They are to "blow the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm."

The watchmen are to awake and give the trumpet a certain sound. The attention of the people must be gained the church must be aroused. This is no time for any believer to stand on the dead line and fail to give the message of warning. But "many who have been placed upon the walls of Zion to watch with eagle eye for the approach of danger, and lift the voice of warning, are themselves asleep. The very ones who should be most active and vigilant in this hour of peril are neglecting their duty and bringing upon themselves the blood of souls."—Volume V, page 234.

The prophet Jeremiah gives us in most solemn and vivid language the reason why the people have drifted so far from God and are unprepared for what is coming upon the earth and he also gives the remedy. "But if they had stood in my counsel, and caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way and from the evil of their doing." Jeremiah 23: 22. It is only as ministers and laity consent to give due heed to the counsel of God that they have any ground for hope that they will turn from evil and walk in the way of true revival and heart preparation for translation day.

It must become more and more evident to all who have a clear vision of God's message of truth that His people are to be a clean and holy people and show in all places both high and low, in public and private life, that they are connected with heaven and that Christianity is a living reality. It is God's purpose to work such transformation of character in his children that Satan with all his confederated hosts of evil will not be able to cause defeat.

"The church being endowed with the righteousness of Christ, is His depository, in which the wealth of His mercy, His love, His grace, is to appear in full and final display." The time for the refreshing baptism of the Holy Spirit, accompanying the revival of true godliness and reformation among God's people, is now due. This work must go forward with renewed fullness and power. The ministers are to awake. The church must arouse. A world is to be warned. "It is our work by confession, humiliation, repentance and earnest prayer, to fulfil the conditions upon which God has promised to grant us His blessing."

Dear brethren and sisters, let us give earnest heed to the counsel and call of God, searching our hearts as with a lighted candle, putting away all sin and evil, renouncing the world with all its follies and fashions, and lay hold of the promises of God for victory and needed preparation for His glorious coming.

CAMP-MEETINGS

Before this issue of the paper is off the press, the camp-meetings in the Southern Union will have commenced, the first one being in Baton Rouge, La. This is followed by the Alabama camp-meeting at Clanton. The Kentucky camp-meeting is to be held in Newport, and the Tennessee River, at Nashville.

These annual gatherings are of the greatest importance to God's people and no one can well afford to remain away. Every believer should make special efforts to attend. We are all in great need of spiritual reviving and special attention will be given to the spiritual needs of all the people, both young and old. The conference officers are to be elected and there will be business of a general nature pertaining to the advancement of the cause of God in our own field and all the earth. We need the helpful suggestions from the laity in laying wise plans, and we all need to become more intelligent as to our own personal responsibility in Christian service. Therefore, in each conference let all the believers make special effort to be present at the beginning and remain until the close of the meeting.

It will not be the privilege of God's people to assemble on these occasions without fear and with the liberty that we now enjoy, much longer; and those who may have grown careless and neglectful, seeing no special importance of attending these gatherings, will doubtless come up to the closing scenes of human probation and find themselves without a living experience and unprepared to stand the final tests that shall come to all the people of God.

The General Conference is sending Elders MacGuire and Eastman, who will give their undivided interest to helping us along every line of Christian activity, and with the aid given by the Union and local workers, and especially the presence of the Holy Spirit, the Great Teacher, we may be assured of the very help needed.

Now just a word to those who may find it necessary to remain at home. Do not let the time pass by unimproved, but seek God most earnestly for special help. Where there are enough to meet together and have your Sabbath meetings, don't fail to do so, and endeavor to keep up your regular mission offering and Sabbath school work. Pray for the success of the camp-meeting and for the onward progress of God's work in all the earth.

Let us be watchful and sober, giving due heed to the instruction, admonition, and warning God has given us, lest at any time we become carried away by false teaching, erroneous ideas, irregularities, or low standards.

G. W. WELLS.

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REPORT OF THE HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE O. R. STAINES

The four-year period covered by this report bears many evidences of our Father's especial blessing upon the efforts put forth by our humble, God-fearing laymen. The statistics that we shall present are to enable us to discern more clearly the real growth that has taken place in the various activities promoted by this department, and to afford unmistakable proof that the steady, persistent efforts which have been made in our churches to "educate and train" our people for greater usefulness have resulted in an ever-increasing army of earnest workers. Though the figures are encouraging, yet they are inadequate to convey a view of the real experience that has come into the hearts and lives of those whose efforts have made them possible. This work has been done, not by those employed to do it, nor even by those who have done it as a so-called profession, but by men and women, boys and girls, who were busy at their daily tasks. Yet, they have learned so to love this message and to long so for its early triumph that they have found time to interweave this work with the regular routine of life's duties. They have gladly toiled both prayerfully and tirelessly in the highways and byways of our great South-

land that they may thus help to gather out the honest at heart.

Four years ago we referred to this department as the "baby." But our people have by their earnest endeavors so nourished it that it has become a real factor in our work. Our aim has been to emphasize constantly God's program for the finishing of His work. This program, the Master clearly demonstrated while here, and for the successful completion of it has given us both in the Bible and through the Spirit of Prophecy, unlimited instruction. Just to the degree that we succeed in minutely following this plan will success continue to attend our united efforts.

The good measure of prosperity which has attended the activities of our workers has been under somewhat unfavorable conditions. I do not wish to comment on any of the hindrances by way of complaint, but it may not be out of place to refer briefly to the many changes that have come in our secretaries, and the additional heavy burdens that have also usually rested upon them. Until about seven years ago no one had devoted time to promoting this work in our Union Conference. In January 1917, Elder R. I. Keate took up the Union Conference secretaryship, but the following June, just as he had the work nicely started, he was called to the presidency of the Kentucky Conference and the Department was again without a leader. The following November, the speaker was asked to take up the work. He found in every conference the local president or secretary endeavoring to look after the duties devolving upon this department, although already overburdened with other responsibilities. Each one of them was deeply interested in the development of these various lines of work and gladly did what he could. Even as late as 1919, we had not one local conference Home Missionary secretary. By the time of our quadrennial meeting four years ago, we had the field all manned, and this has been true most of the time since. Nearly always, however, these workers have also had to carry from one to four other departments. During this time our local conference have been served by eighteen different secretaries. These changes have been partly due to a number of our young men being called to the mission fields. Four of the five men with us four years ago are now doing good service in our frontier work. Sister Anna Knight came to our Union Conference in February 1920, and has since acted as assistant secretary of the Department among our colored believers. She has rendered most valuable service along all lines, and will report her work at some later time.

While the changes have been many, yet there has never been a time when the personnel of the Department was more efficient than at the present. True, some of our men have taken up the work with little experience, but they have been, and are consecrated, God-fearing men who have thrown their very beings into the work and their efforts are bearing fruit. The co-operation of both our conference officials and workers, together with the leadership of our local churches, is one of our greatest assets, and we cannot adequately express our appreciation and gratitude for this factor in whatever progress has been made.

Comparative Report

We believe that you can study with profit the comparative sheet of work reported. You will note that seventeen of the twenty items show good gains over the previous biennial period, and that the number of tracts distributed has more than doubled. Let us also direct your attention to the following: missionary visits, a gain of 79,376; Bible readings, a gain of 18,842; donations for Home Missionary work, a gain of \$6,969.07; and in souls led to Christ, a gain of 491. In the past eight years there are reported \$17,181.03 in offerings for Home Missionary work, and 1759 souls led to Christ.

Harvest Ingathering

Perhaps the best known work promoted by this Department is that of the Harvest Ingathering for missions

Year by year this work has increased in volume, extent, and results. No longer is it simply a campaign to raise funds for our mission fields. Today it is recognized as a great soul-winning agency and each year finds a larger number of new believers who were first found by some consecrated Harvest Ingathering worker. New and more efficient methods are being adopted and it is indeed a most effective school of training for personal work.

Our records covering the Harvest Ingathering begin with 1914, when the Union raised but \$1728.12. During the first five years \$22,561.37 was raised, while during the last five years \$113,526.43 was raised, or more than five times as much during the last five years as during the first five. In 1923 alone we raised \$28,299.18 which was \$5,737.81 more than we raised during our first five years. Comparing the quadrennial periods, we find that at our conference session four years ago, we reported having raised \$30,920.25 during the four previous years. Through this one avenue we have raised for the mission fields during the past four years, \$100,688.67. Since this plan was adopted, Alabama and Kentucky have each raised more than \$29,000 for missions through this means, while Louisiana-Mississippi and Tennessee River have raised \$39,000 and \$37,000 respectively. In 1920 large amounts were raised and many said we had reached the "peak." While in 1923 we did not reach quite as high a per capita as in 1920, yet we did pass the 1920 total amount by more than \$1500.00. Indeed the 1923 campaign has been a great demonstration of what can be accomplished. Thirty-six of our churches, and many of them our larger ones, passed their goals. Many of these did it within the six weeks' limit. The results that follow true leadership on the part of conference workers and teachers were thoroughly demonstrated in the last campaign in Alabama where *they alone* raised over \$2200.00. From personal experience and observation there is no question but what we have only begun to realize the possibilities that can be opened up before us as we plan wisely and well for this work in future years.

Big Week

Another missionary endeavor in which all our people are becoming interested is our Big Week effort in behalf of our Missions Publishing Fund. This plan was first taken up by our laymen in 1921 when the Home Missionary Department promoted a Big Week in which our people engaged in the sale of our literature and the proceeds were added to those from the colporteurs' Big Week. Later these efforts have been united and greater success has attended them. In 1921, we raised \$591.00, in 1922, \$2085.00, and last year \$3857.00. The same spirit should characterize this work as has taken hold of our Harvest Ingathering campaign, and it too will prove not only to be of help to the fields beyond, but will be a soul-winning work here at home, and a real strength to those who participate in it.

Literature

Real progress has been made by our lay-members in the circulation of our truth-filled literature. In that good year 1920, we sold 50,745 copies of the Busy Man's Library but the following year we dropped to only 20,645. However, in 1922, we sold 55,795 and last year 85,255. This gives a total sales in our field of 212,440 copies of these good books, during the quadrennial period. If figured on the per capita basis, it means 53 plus for the four-year period and 22 for 1923. As an illustration of the part our lay-members are taking in the sale of our books, we will give the Tennessee River Tract Society sales for the past three years.

1921 a per capita sale of \$4.16 net or 31 per cent of their total sales.

1922 a per capita sale of \$5.44 net or 38 per cent of their total sales.

1923 a per capita sale of \$5.39 net or 49 per cent of their total sales.

Not only have our laymen engaged in the circulation

of our truth-filled pages, but they have taken advantage of the new and simple literature that has been provided to help them and to make their work more effective. Among these items that are proving of so much help to this end, we would mention the book "The Laymen's Missionary Movement," the Home Missionary Series of Leaflets, now numbering twenty-one, the little leaflet "The Art of Giving Bible Readings" and the companion series of 28 "Brief Bible Studies for Busy People," and we would not overlook our Home Missionary workers' calendars—(1922, 470; 1923, 604).

Institutes

The home, the family altar, together with the church, is the foundation upon which we must build. Repeatedly throughout the later instruction to this people this thought is emphasized together with "It is *training, education* that is needed now." We have recognized that the Medical Missionary and Health work as intrusted to this people was one of the lines that should be clearly and sensibly brought to the attention of our laity, and have endeavored to combine it with our work throughout the field. In a large number of our churches, both ten-day and week-end Home-Health Institutes have been held, and have been of untold help to many of our members. It has been inspiring to see their faces light up with joy as avenues of labor in which they could have a part were not only talked of but were actually demonstrated before their eyes—both during the meetings and in field days. There is great need of carrying this program of education and training into *all* our churches. If the Spirit of Prophecy means anything at all, it certainly calls for far more of this work to be done by us who are here. Indeed every believer must be led to know that arising to the new life in Christ involves *his* work for the salvation of *his* fellowmen.

Some of the Needs

While believing in thorough organization and systematic work, we have endeavored at all times to recognize that not machinery but consecration brings results in this as well as every other phase of soul-winning work. One has well said, "Winning men to the Lord Jesus Christ is the work of the divine Spirit. He must really do the work in us and through us. The heart, the hand, the life, the brain, may work zealously, but if the inward life is not prompted by God's Holy Spirit, our work will not prevail. Man cannot be used simply through his abilities. His very gifts may retard his influence. Genius without spirituality becomes a mere exhibition. The man is known for his ability rather than for his message. His words have not the force of his conviction. What a man may do for God is not so important, but what God may do with a man." "Recruiting for Christ," p. 13.

We must confront the fact that our task will never be accomplished until we make every church member an active worker in some line of soul-winning activity. The time is coming when all inactive members will be sifted out.

Our supreme business is not campaigns, necessary as these may be. The one great reason for the existence of the Home Missionary Department is to make missionary workers, efficient in soul-winning, according to their ability. When we get down to this work in real earnest, campaigns will become incidental. Not only this, but campaigns will be more successful than they are now, and less time will be required for their accomplishment.

It has now been demonstrated beyond question that our people when properly instructed and trained are ready and even anxious to do strong, aggressive work not only in one line but in many lines. But we must *not fail* to note that upon many there is still a stupor, a paralysis, that keeps them from understanding the duty of the hour. To arouse and *train* these for efficient service must not be left to the Home Missionary Secretaries alone, but it is a responsibility that should be shared by each of us who accepted of any phase of leadership in this great movement. Today God is sounding a clarion call to his people to all unite in enlisting the ability of

every member in the speedy finishing of this work. The hour of "the great reformatory movement among God's people" is here. The Psalmist in looking forward to that day wrote, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Our people have never been so ready to do and to dare for God. We who want to see the work finished and Jesus come will surely lay plans at this gathering to give special study to the work that can be and is to be done by our great army of laymen.

As a Department, we greatly appreciate the co-operation of our fellow workers in the other departments and throughout our field. We rejoice at the evidences that the last great advance is on. There is a "sound of a going"—a going from door to door, from individual to individual proclaiming the blessed story of the cross. We desire with you to redouble our diligence, to reconsecrate our lives and our all for service, and to work to the end that a far greater portion of the strength of the church may be conserved for, and directed in service, that a great excess of energy may be given to the closing work of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and the bringing of His glorious kingdom.

TENNESSEE RIVER

Office Address, 1715 Cass St., Nashville, Tenn.
Elder H. E. Lysinger, Pres. C. B. Caldwell, Sec.-Treas.

A HEARTY WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT THE CAMP GROUND

Directions

On reaching Nashville, from the Union Station, take any car going east, to the Transfer Station, where you will get a West Nashville Car. Get off at Georgia Avenue, and walk to the right one block, to Clifton Park, in which the camp is pitched. (To save time, you may secure a transfer to the West Nashville Car at 8th Avenue and Church St., thus avoiding the necessity of going to the Transfer Station.)

Arrangements have been made for hauling the baggage, so bring your checks to the camp-ground.

By auto, go out the Charlotte Road to 49th Avenue, turn to the right and go two blocks north.

If your order for tent has not already been placed you should do so *at once*, so that all may be provided for.

ORDER BLANK

Please enter my order for the following:

..... 12 x 14 tent, without floor	\$4.00
..... 12 x 14 tent with board floor,	\$6.00
..... single iron cots, 75 cents	
..... single army cots 75 cents	
..... double iron cots, \$1.00	
..... mattresses for single cots, 75 cents	
..... pads for cots, 40 cents (only a few available).	
..... chairs, 15 cents each.	

Straw can be secured on the grounds, for those bringing bed ticks. A small charge will be made for lumber used as shelving, or into which nails are driven.

Signed

Address

Mail to C. Burnell Caldwell,
1715 Cass Street, Nashville, Tenn.

OUR SABBATH SCHOOLS

It has been my privilege to visit about ten of our Sabbath school companies this month. I find them all of good courage and striving earnestly for success.

I was much interested in the device which the Memphis Sabbath school is using to keep before their members the progress which is being made each week in the way of offerings to missions, attendance, and daily study of the lesson. These small devices bring results as is shown by the reports received from those schools that are using them. You know we cannot usually reach a goal unless we set one and keep our eyes fixed upon it.

The Jackson Sabbath school is small but working faithfully, and though few in number their courage seems to be good and I believe success will attend them.

At Lane some of the children sold apples in order to have money for Sabbath school. They are also endeavoring to study their lessons daily. I trust all the children in our Sabbath schools will be as earnest in reaching their goals.

It is not possible for me to meet with the company at Paducah because of the tent meetings which they are holding, but from what I could gather in talking with the members, they with others are striving to make the Sabbath school a success.

I greatly enjoyed being with the Murray Sabbath school the 19th of this month. They have a fine group of young people and we are looking to them for a good report the coming quarter.

The Springville company, I believe, has determined to press forward to higher standards of service along the various lines of Sabbath school work.

We were pleased to see how well the Jackson No. 2 school has done the past quarter, and their plans for advancement. The Memphis mission church is now holding Sabbath school in the tent where they have been having a summer effort. We trust that the Lord will bless them and that many souls may be reached through the efforts of the Sabbath school.

The Paducah No. 2 church was of good courage when I visited them and they are laying definite plans to increase enthusiasm in their school.

Let none be discouraged thinking the goal too high for him to reach. It can only be attained by effort and sacrifice but it is worth the effort. Striving to reach it will bring a blessing. Reaching it brings the blessing of complete accomplishment of a high and noble duty.

MRS. H. K. HALLADAY.

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NEWS NOTES

On Wednesday, July 30, the writer left Nashville to spend several days with the little church at Lawrenceburg. This came about as the result of a visit made several weeks before by Elder Lysinger. There were seven that requested baptism. To this number two were accepted into church fellowship upon profession of faith. Two of those who were baptized were members of the little church there on their former baptism from the Baptist church. There were seven added to the little company of believers. The membership of the little church there now totals twenty-two members. The baptism was held Sabbath afternoon about three miles from their place of meeting in a creek. It was a very quiet place and very beautiful. The fresh cool water with a deep foliage on both sides of the creek made it awe-inspiring.

In the morning services were held as usual. The election of officers took place. They have not had an election for this year. This went off very smoothly. After the election of officers, Brother Isaac Morgan was set apart as deacon of the church. The Harvest Ingathering was discussed and they all set their goal at \$8.00 a member for the campaign this fall. They all expressed themselves as very desirous of helping to reach this goal, seeing the need of means is very great in the mission field. The school there has already opened and there are fine prospects for a good attendance for this coming winter.

Prof. F. W. Field, of Southern Junior College, spent

several days in Nashville this week in the interest of students for Collegedale. We enjoyed a few minutes' visit to our office Monday morning, at which time he showed several pictures of the campus recently taken. He says the peach crop is the largest and best it has been for years.

We are busy getting the labels on the cans to be used by the children in our Harvest Ingathering campaign this coming year. While at Lawrenceburg this week a request was made for a dozen of these to be used by the children there in their campaign this year.

On Sunday night, Aug. 3, the writer was privileged to be present with the little Fountain Head church and deliver a lecture for the benefit of those in the community who are attending our Sunday night meetings, on the subject of the "Millennium." Owing to another meeting only three miles distant, there were only a few present that have been regularly attending our meetings.

H. K. HALLADY.

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MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER RADIOGRAMS

Miss Beulah Walleker has consented to take charge of our Junior Department at our coming camp-meeting. She is well qualified and will do good work. It will be a pleasure to every boy and girl to have a well-qualified leader. Boys and girls, if you have any good suggestions to make these meetings interesting, bring them along with you when you come, then tell us about them.

Young people, when you come to camp-meeting, be sure you bring your Bible and "Christ in Song." These will be needed. Be sure you have your Sabbath School Quarterly and also your Morning Watch Calendar.

While in Lawrenceburg the young people's secretary met the church school for a day. He was interested in the prospects for a fine junior young people's society this coming year. Cards are being mailed to Miss Grace Zalabak this week to be filled out by all the children there, and then membership cards will be issued them by this office.

All the young people's societies in our conference have the *Church Officers' Gazette*. It is very important that this should be in possession of the leaders in order that the young people's program will be varied and interesting. Societies, if you haven't a subscription to this, you should have one now.

H. K. HALLADY.

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COLPORTEUR NOTES

Brethren Lugenbeal, Chapman, Murrell, and Curtis have worked Wilson County, and this week have moved to Williamson County, which is also close to Nashville.

Brother Lugenbeal delivered \$461.00 worth last week, and has a September delivery. The other boys make their deliveries in Wilson County just before camp-meeting.

While canvassing this county a few Sabbath-keepers were found, also several people who believe our truths. A woman yesterday praised a Seventh-day Adventist neighbor highly, and ordered a half leather "Our Day" and a year's subscription to *The Watchman*.

Brother Smith has been on the sick list, but is expecting to canvass again next week.

In some sections of the field it is too dry and in some sections too wet, but a good stream of literature is going out from the office and the colporteurs talk courage.

Sister Lena Cummings from the Memphis church has recently ordered 40 *Watchman* and 50 *Life and Health* to sell in the business districts.

A number of persons are planning to join our colporteur ranks after camp-meeting, and of course this makes us all smile, and heaven rejoices, too.

"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."—Colporteur Evangelist."

JAMES HICKMAN.

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COLPORTEUR EXPERIENCES

I had some good experiences which abundantly repaid me for all my week's walking. I sold one "Bible Readings" to a Baptist preacher.

I showed him through the book and then talked to him and his wife perhaps twenty minutes longer, but could not get his order. I then went right through the contents, naming, I think, every chapter, Sabbath and all, and then took her order without a bit of trouble. I never did this before.—H. G. Miller.

I had some very good experiences last week, and the Lord's spirit was very near, to convict and subdue human hearts, on a number of occasions.—W. D. Fleming.

Doctors say that a man's age is determined by the condition of his arteries.

I think I am about forty in this respect, and hope to have twenty more years' strength to put in the colporteur work, should time last that long.—H. G. Miller.

A Bank Failure

The bank where I had \$225.00 deposited failed, but I am of good courage. The people of this county had one million dollars deposited there, and they are "blue," nevertheless I took \$30.75 in orders this week. I am looking forward to the time when banks will not fail and am also trying to send up deposits to the heavenly bank.

One woman I met said she believed Saturday was the Sabbath. She gave her order for a cloth "Our Day" also subscription for *The Watchman*.—Jesse E. Miller.

The Lord has greatly blessed me this past week in taking orders. This seems to be a good county to work, the crops are pretty good and the people pretty well off; in fact, some are too well off) but it isn't money that counts.

I have some good experiences this week. I found three copies of "Bible Readings," all of which were much appreciated. One was an old copy printed by the Review and Herald Publishing Association. I found an old colored woman who had bought one about twelve years ago. She said a son that lived at Chicago had tried to buy it from her, but she would not let it go.

I am liking the work better all the time. Sometimes things go hard, but it seems to me that when things go hard it is only a summons from God to tighten up and pull harder.—Houston Curtis.

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DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE COLPORTEUR WORK

It is marvelous what is being done by your faithful effort. You may feel that you are doing little when you do your best. That is true. But do you know that there are many men that cannot make their expenses today? Some are good business men; others are splendid salesmen. Many day-laborers cannot meet their expenses. Railroad companies, street car companies, and many large factories are running at a loss, yet cutting down all they can to save expense. But, my brethren, we are doing a work where there can be no cutdown or failure, if we continue working in faith and love.

Do not become discouraged because the work is not paying as you wish. I have in the past worked for two weeks and not sold a book. I kept right on. I knew something was wrong; I was a learner.

Think of Moses, that great statesman. God let him herd sheep for forty years before he was a successful leader. God is fitting you for a great work. Even now you are doing a work that not many men can do. God is fitting you for His Kingdom. Be of good courage.

Wm. J. KEELF

COLPORTEURS' SUMMARY FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

ALABAMA CONFERENCE—WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 1924

Colporteur	Publication		Hrs.	Report of Orders Taken							Val. Del.
				Book		Magazine			Value Helps	Total Value	
	Book	Magazine		No.	Value	No. Subs.	Sing. Sales	Value			
H. T. Barnhart	DR	Watch.	43	1	6.50	29		50.75	65.00	122.25	11.50
T. Hilderbrandt	PP		31	24	48.00					48.00	24.00
W. C. Martin	BR		45	28	126.00				10.00	136.00	
Clayton McNeil	BR		51	25	106.00				31.00	137.00	2.75
Mrs. O. Williams	DR		18	3	16.50				4.75	21.25	49.50
W. E. Williams	BR		39	6	18.00				3.00	21.00	49.00
R. D. Capps	BML		34	8	16.00				3.00	16.00	44.50
Colored											
W. E. Autrey	GC		44	7	42.00				42.50	84.50	4.00
W. H. Baker	CR		17						38.50	38.50	16.75
Sr. W. H. Baker	OD		15	8	31.00				14.75	45.75	11.75
G. W. Brown	BR		35	8	24.50				2.50	27.00	6.50
T. G. Culpepper (2)	BR		102	17	114.50				2.00	116.50	30.00
Addie Davis	BML		35						13.00	13.00	9.35
Sr. M. Derby	BFL		41		5.75				.25	6.00	5.00
M. Jones	BML		36		7.00				1.75	8.75	1.75
Sr. M. Lee	BFL		33	6	22.00				1.00	23.00	5.00
Sr. L. B. Miller (2)	CR		22	34	8.50				1.75	10.25	6.60
S. D. Miller	CR		6	14	6.50					6.50	
Effie McCoy	BFL		74	7	7.50					7.50	
Lavina Meyers	BFL		32	2	6.00				8.00	14.00	8.00
Totals			754	198	612.25				239.75	902.75	285.85

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE—WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 1924

Mark Wheeler	BR	Watch.	56								219.25
Mrs. K. G. Risetter	BR	Watch.	14						1.50	1.50	32.25
Mrs. A. J. Sharp		Watch.	15			2	89	25.98		25.98	
Books Only											
E. R. Genge	BR		60								302.00
K. G. Risetter	BR		50	18	99.50				1.50	101.00	1.50
Mary Aldrige	OD		48	13	48.50				17.00	65.50	7.75
Carl J. Ashlock	BR		46	20	92.00				23.25	115.25	2.75
Theo. Kroeger	BR		44	17	76.50				17.75	94.25	3.75
Flora Savelle	OD		44	15	54.00				11.50	65.50	5.50
G. T. Ashlock	OD		43	14	49.00				8.25	57.25	19.75
Paul Lugenbeal	OD		40	19	68.75				14.50	83.25	
Wilfred Keel	OD		38	8	28.00				4.50	32.50	1.00
Robert O'Brien	OD		36	3	12.00				20.25	32.25	4.50
Alberta Reiber	OD		26	6	24.00				5.50	29.50	13.00
Thelma O'Brien	OD		26	5	18.25				4.50	22.75	8.00
J. F. Ashlock	GC		24	14	63.00				13.75	76.75	
Richard Hollis	OD		16						1.75	1.75	67.25
Totals			626	152	633.50	2	89	25.98	145.50	804.98	688.25

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE—WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 1924

Jesse E. Miller	OD	Watch.	35	16	66.50	9		15.75	21.25	103.50	2.75
W. D. Fleming (2)	GC	Watch.	66	26	107.00	25		43.75	.25	151.00	39.75
Books Only											
Edward Lugenbeal	BR		47	15	72.50				12.25	84.75	4.75
Houston Curtis	BR		43	14	74.50				23.75	98.25	1.25
H. G. Miller	BR		41	5	21.00				2.50	23.50	1.25
W. N. Smith	BR		40	9	45.50				47.25	92.75	3.50
Mae B. Murrell	BF		35	4	13.00				6.00	19.00	32.50
Roe B. Murrell	BR		33	6	27.50				10.00	37.50	1.25
Wm. J. Keele (2)	PP			5	27.50				16.75	44.25	6.50
Richard White	BML		16	12	6.25				4.00	10.25	6.75
Colored											
G. E. Jenkins	PG		34	13	77.50				9.75	87.25	.25
Richard Wilson	BF		25	10	34.00					34.00	9.80
Totals			465	135	572.75	34		59.50	153.75	786.00	110.30

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE—WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 1924

Jesse E. Miller	OD	Watch.	37	11	47.50	7		12.25	21.00	80.75	3.25
W. D. Fleming	GC	Watch.	34	14	58.00	14		24.50		82.50	31.00

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Books Only

Edward Lugenbeal	BR	63						461.06
H. G. Miller	BR	52	8	33.00	7.25	40.25		6.25
Roe Murrell	BR	42	7	29.00	21.75	50.75		1.35
R. W. Fry	GC	45	14	62.50	3.75	66.25		22.00
Mae B. Murrell	BF	36	10	31.00	4.75	35.75		13.50
R. O. Hoover	BR	25						278.50
W. N. Smith	BR	22	5	28.50	7.25	35.75		4.00
Nicholas Parrott (2)	BML	39			38.25	38.25		26.50
Wm. J. Keele	PP	21	2	11.00	10.25	21.25		5.75
Totals		416	71	300.50	21	36.7	1514.25	451.50 853.00

LAST APPEAL

By the time this reaches our readers the camp ground in West Nashville will be almost ready for our annual convocation.

As you have read the Testimony studies on campmeeting we hope you have resolved and made all arrangement to attend. We are convinced that as the coming of Jesus draws near the importance of these meetings will deepen.

The clouds are appearing. The divine forecast is that a latter rain is now due. Let us pray for rain now in this time of rain. The Lord will not disappoint us if we will come seeking for the promised blessing.

May the Spirit of God impress you with the importance of attending.

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COLPORTEUR ECHOES

"Dear sisters and brothers, did you ever stop to think that even the songs we sing sometimes are food for a hungry soul? As I was going about my work the other day I feeling as if the Saviour were walking by my side, I began to sing, 'Saviour, More Than Life To Me,' as I drew near a home I had passed several times. For the first time, I was successful in finding someone at home. The man of the house was sleeping in the porch swing. I saw him raise up and look around as if he were frightened. He kindly invited me in. After I had introduced myself to him, he asked me, 'What on earth were you singing?' He said, 'That was the sweetest song I have ever heard.' I said, 'Yes it is sweet to me, but I never dreamed that my singing would ever attract the attention of anyone.' He said, 'Yes, but you can never tell. That singing has brought new thought to me.' I gave my canvass, and had no trouble in securing his order for 'Daniel and Revelation,' in the half leather binding, and he paid \$1.50 in advance. This man was a Baptist minister. He said he believed that the Lord had sent me there, and that my visit would mean a brighter future to him."—*Jessie Prouett.*

"I sold one man six of 'Our Lord's Return,' another one three. They said it was the best book they had ever heard on that subject."—*C. L. Ryals.*

"You will notice on the reports we have a new colporteur added to our list—Robert Gully. It is rather remarkable how Brother Gully learned of the truth and came into the work. I will relate it briefly. Brother Helton was canvassing in the territory where Brother Gully lives, and took his order. When time came to make his delivery he had several hundred dollars' worth to be delivered. He succeeded in delivering only one, and that one was to Brother Gully. The book was 'Great Controversy.' The sum total of the value of the books equals to Brother Gully and his family, staunch Adventists, and he is now a loyal colporteur. It pays to be persistent."—*M. R. Garrett.*

Brother M. L. Hastings of Lake Charles, La., has recently resumed his work for the Master in the capacity of a colporteur.

"In a recent delivery I made in Alabama, I delivered 'Daniel and Revelation,' to a Methodist minister, who was very glad to get it. He said he had been looking forward to the time of delivery. He was especially interested in what it has to say with reference to Catholicism. After delivering his book I went to the next door to deliver one. The woman refused to take hers saying she had heard it was a Seventh-day Adventist book. After trying every possible way to make the delivery, I told her of the minister who thought so much of his book and asked her to go and ask him about it. So she did. The minister came back with her and as a result she consented to take the book. In a recent letter from Brother T. A. Graves, who is an attendant of the church of which he is pastor, he says he has been deriving a greater portion of his sermons from this 'Daniel and Revelation.' I thank the Lord for this experience, because I fully believe the time will come when this minister will accept the truth."—*M. R. Garrett.*

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SPARKS FROM COLPORTEURS' ANVIL

Theodore Krocger: "I ran across several 'Bible Readings' in my territory, but the people all spoke well of them and they helped us to sell more."

Carl Ashlock: "I found a family last week who are convinced of the Sabbath through reading 'Bible Readings'. However, they have not taken their stand as yet. We find that a good number of the people are very poor, but the Lord is impressing them to buy."

K. G. Risetier: "I went in the country last week. It seemed good to be walking the country roads again. After I had been out a few hours one lady told me that no one would buy books in that county, for they were all in the horse business—racing and gambling—and therefore not inclined along religious lines. They are a hard class, I will admit, but one finds a few here and there who are in earnest about salvation. It is a pleasure to meet them wherever one finds them. One lady gave me her order and told me after I had prayed that she never heard of anyone going through the country that way before. It seems good to meet these troubled souls and bring to them the bread of life."

J. W. Walker: "I am glad to report a good delivery. In fact it is the best I have ever had since I have been in the service. I give the Master all the credit and praise for it. I have been sick, but the Lord put me on my feet again, so that I could make this delivery, and I praise him for it."

D. C. Frazier: "I am doing just fine. I found a man who has been keeping the Sabbath three years. He and all his family are rejoicing in the Truth. When I made my delivery I sold his wife a 'Great Controversy.' Oh, I have so many good experiences I could not mention them all!"

A Mountain-Top Experience

After climbing to the highest mountain in his territory

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NOTICE

Copy to be inserted in the Worker must be in our office on the morning mail Thursday preceding the date of issue. Copy arriving later will be held over.

Wilfred Keel meets a Baptist minister who had ordered the book, "Our Day." The minister decides to find out what denomination publishes the book, without asking the question directly.

Minister: "Who puts this book out?"

Colporteur: "The Southern Publishing Association."

Minister, after a short pause: "Are you a Christian?"

Colporteur: "Yes, sir, I am trying to be a Christian."

Minister: "Have you been baptized?"

Colporteur: "Yes."

Minister: "Into what faith?"

Colporteur: "Seventh-day Adventist."

Minister: "Good! I agree with them in some things."

Colporteur: "What for instance?"

Minister: "The Sabbath."

Colporteur: "Then you have bought the very book you need."

And Brother Keel had the pleasure of finding the chapter on the Sabbath for his friend.

THE SCHOOL OF STANDARDS

S. J. C.

COLLEGE DALE NOTES

Prof. A. W. Werline, from Washington Missionary College, spent several days at Collegedale, enroute to the various camp-meetings. His talks Sabbath were interesting and inspirational.

Most of us were surprised, and all were pleased to see Richard Hollis' smiling face again. He has been canvassing since school closed, and has come back for the rest of the summer.

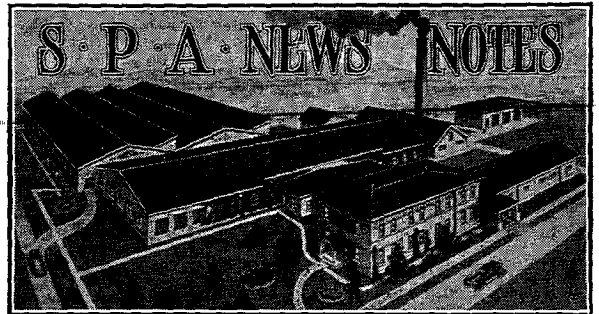
Misses Viola Frank, from Montgomery, Alabama, and Robnev Bolton, from Sale Creek, Tennessee, have joined our school family, to be here for school next winter.

Mr. Fuller and his workers are busy early and late at the cannery these days. It has been peaches and tomatoes and sweet corn this week.

The students always look forward to the programs given by the different departments during the summer. Last Sunday night the Farm Department gave its program. We wish all our readers might have been here to see the exhibit in the chapel. Tall stalks of corn stood around the walls and posts. Across the front of the room were displayed various products of our farm: sweet corn, tomatoes, cucumbers, grapes, peaches, apples, watermelons, okra, peanuts, cabbage, potatoes, and onions.

The plasterers will soon be ready to begin work on the second floor of the Administration building. Third floor is nearly completed.

Our school family numbers about fifty this summer—thirty girls, and twenty-five boys, and the teachers who are here. These boys and girls are busy workers, happy as they are striving for a Christian education.



At this writing approximately one million copies of the 1924 Harvest Ingathering *Watchman* have been mailed.

Miss Gladys Lambert, assistant in the superintendent's office, is spending a portion of her vacation with relatives at Fayetteville, Tenn.

The Home Office Book Department showed an encouraging gain in sales for July as compared with July of last year.

Brother W. R. White, associate manager of the Book Department, is attending the Alabama camp-meeting and assisting in the book tent.

One morning last week Brother Royal Hubbell, of our Book Department, came to the office wearing an unusually broad smile. This was due to the arrival of a little girl at their home.

Although a larger number than usual was printed of the August *Watchman* the edition was oversold. At this writing the September issue is just coming from the press, which is also a most excellent number.

"Papers and books are the Lord's means of keeping the message for this time continually before the people."
—Vol. VI, p. 331.

"The great and wonderful work of the last gospel message is to be carried on now as it never has been before. The world is to receive the light of truth through an evangelizing ministry of the word in our books and periodicals."
—Vol. IX, p. 61.

In writing of "Christianity at the Crossroads," Elder Morris Lukens, president of the North Pacific Union Conference, refers to the book as follows:

"I think this is not only timely, but a book that will be invaluable to our own people as well as hundreds of others. This ought to have a big circulation and I am going to do all I can to keep it before the people."