



## An Opportunity For All

O. F. Frank

"The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Ps. 68:11. This is what the Lord has done for us. He has given us His word. He has given us great and important truths relative to our times. He has clearly revealed to us by the prophecies of the divine book that very soon we are to witness the greatest events of earth's history, the coming of the Lord of lords and Kings of kings, to reward the righteous and punish the wicked. But He would have none destroyed but those who love sin and will not for anything give it up. "As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways: for why will ye die?" Eze. 33:11. He offers salvation freely to all who will accept it through faith. Eph. 2:8. He has provided salvation for all, and tenderly pleads for all to be saved. "Look unto me, and by ye saved, all the ends of the earth." Isa. 45:22.

He has given to us the word, and He wants us to carry it to the uttermost parts of the earth, warning the people that the end of all things is at hand, and that the inhabitants of this world must prepare to meet their God. Our work is symbolized by an angel who comes down from heaven, who lightens the earth with his glory (Rev. 18:1); and we are to carry forward our work very largely through the agency of our publishing houses. "In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel, (Rev. 18:1) who comes down from heaven with great power and

who lightens the earth with his glory." —"Testimonies," Vol. 7, p. 140.

"The world is to receive the light of truth through an evangelizing ministry of the word through our books and periodicals. . . . Let us now, by the wise use of periodicals and books, preach the word with determined energy."—*Id.*, Vol. 9, pp. 61, 62.

It behooves every Seventh-day Adventist to do his very best to distribute our books, periodicals and tracts, that are filled with the message God has given us. "Let every soul who has received the divine illumination seek to impart it. Let the workers go from house to house, opening the Bible to the people, circulating the publications, telling others of the light that has blessed their own souls. Let literature be distributed judiciously, on the train, in the street, on the great ships that ply the sea, and through the mails."—*Id.*, Vol. 9, pp. 122, 123.

Many of us feel that we cannot sell our literature all the time. We will allow that this is true; but not being able to sell it all the time should be no excuse for any of us not selling it any of the time. We all can endeavor to sell our truth-filled books some of the time. And this being so, let us all work together and do what we can along this line during this coming Big Week, beginning April 30. The work of God needs us and we need the work. There are none too many of us if we all undertake to carry forward His work. God grant that all of us may earnestly undertake the work of God, and to keep at it more of the time. That is the way to finish the gospel work in this world.

That is the way to hasten the coming of our Saviour and the time of our going to the heavenly home. "Were every one of you a living missionary, the message for this time would speedily be proclaimed in all countries, to every people and nation and tongue."—*Id.*, Vol. 6, p. 438. "Let the gospel message ring through our churches, summoning them to universal action."—*Id.*, Vol. 7, p. 14.

Action not inaction. That is God's program: Campaigns are the order of the day and they will continue to be until the work is finished. Campaigns don't hurt anybody except those who don't take part in them. When God gives us ability to work for Him and opportunity, and we don't improve them, we soon lose them. "What can we expect but deterioration in religious life when the people listen to sermon after sermon and do not put the instruction to practise? The ability God has given, if not exercised, degenerates. More than this, when the churches are left to inactivity, Satan sees to it that they are employed. He occupies the field, and engages the members in lines of work that absorb their energies, destroy spirituality, and cause them to fall as dead weights upon the church."—*Id.*, p. 434.

Beautiful sermons that don't give us anything to do for our Lord who has done so much for us, are altogether too visionary. We don't need them though they please us. A slacker for the Lord is a worker for Satan, though he never does anything at all. "There will be no idler, no slothful one found inside the kingdom of heaven."—*Id.*, Vol. 6, p. 434. In view of the solemn times in which we are living and the urgent need for expanding our work in the mission fields, and the crying need of our neighbors for the truth contained in our good books, in view also of these

solemn admonitions, let us by the grace of God, one and all, rally to make this coming Big Week the biggest and best in all our history.

O. F. Frank.

### THE THREE C'S OF BIG WEEK SUCCESS

The biggest Big Week in the history of this broad and far-reaching plan; this is the goal for 1927— an aim which is altogether possible of achievement if the members of our churches will rally to the campaign call, and give earnest attention to the responsibility which rests upon each and every one who professes the name of Christ and a relationship to His cause at this important time.

Throughout the business world today principles of salesmanship are laid down which insure successful results to those who give them heed, much stress being laid on the guideposts which light the road to achievement in personal sales. Certainly no less consideration should be given the matter of successful results in the sale of literature which may prove a "savor of life unto life" to those who purchase.

Outstanding among the signposts to direct the Big Week traveler on his way to success are three, reading as follows: *Consecration, Courage, Courtesy.*

Books, good books, are abundant and plentiful today. One who reads ten of ten thousand in this great melee accomplishes an almost impossible feat. Naturally with such existing conditions it will require something more than mere argument to convince men and women that they need additional reading matter. At this point looms the post of consecration. "If this truth is inwrought in the soul, it will manifest itself in the *countenance* and *demeanor* in a calm, noble, self possession and peace which the Christian alone can possess." —"*Colporteur Evangelist*," p. 50. Boldly emblazoned and unmistakable is the sign of a consecration and devotion to the third angel's message which will radiate from the humble, devoted, prayerful worker and gain an admission into homes that would otherwise be barred to his effort.

In Big Week work, as in any other book-selling campaign, timidity and fear on the part of the individual

worker prove to be catastrophic, indeed, to the desired results. This excessive caution is due, undoubtedly, to a lack of conviction and confidence. First one must be sure in his own heart and mind that the message contained in the books to be sold is veritably eternal life itself to those into whose hands they are to be placed; then courage to present the books, courage to enthusiastically and earnestly urge their purchase will be forthcoming.

Courage is a fruit of consecration, and likewise courtesy a fruit of courage. And it takes courage—all one can summon, and consecration, too, to courteously urge the purchase of a set of books when met with insolent rebuffs; but courtesy is one of the signs marking the way, and must be followed if the ultimate end is reached.

Illuminating guideposts they are, these three—consecration, courage, courtesy!

Ruth Tyrrell,  
Office Sec., General Conf.  
Home Miss. Dept.

### "I AM DOING A GREAT WORK"

The above is a part of the answer Nehemiah gave to his enemies as they requested him to leave his work and come for a little time to parley. How about it? What will your answer be when God has called every one of us to take part in Big Week? O I think I hear someone say, "Well, there is no end to it. No sooner is one drive past when another is on."

Well, dear brother and sister, if we were not driving ahead, would we not be standing still or going backward? I like to belong to, and take part in things, that show progress and move forward. Don't you? Why, brother and sister, we are doing a great work. We haven't time to parley with the enemy. We are homeward bound, and the work and means that you give during Big Week will be a life-saver of some one, just as much as if some one was drowning and you came and helped save a life. I like to help finish things, don't you? Somehow there is a joy in it.

I don't want to belong to an organization that always looks for excuses to get out of some work, but I do to one that is always pressing forward with something to do; for

that body of people will be successful, and will win the victory in the end. There is no failure with God's work. So come on, dear brother and sister, boys and girls, for the Big Week proceeds will increase the efficiency of our publishing, educational and medical work in all lands.

*We are doing a great work. Are you with us?* F. W. Schmehl.

## ALABAMA

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### Y. P. M. V. CONVENTION FOR SOUTHERN ALABAMA

The convention held for the young people of the southern part of the conference at Mobile, April 8-10, was well attended, and has already proven to be a great inspiration, not only to the three Missionary Volunteer societies that were represented, but to the entire membership of the Mobile and Pensacola churches. All who came under the influence of the meetings were greatly blessed. It is believed that this convention, and the one held the week before at Birmingham, for the societies of the northern section of the conference, are forward steps in this department which will mark a new day in the progress and efficiency of the M. V. organization in our field.

The reports by the leaders contained messages of progress, and plans for greater service. It was a very pleasant surprise to many to learn that a large part of the missionary work is being done by the young people. The Lord has called the youth to be His helping hand, and they have responded to the call. Brother Maurice Abbott, of the Pensacola society, said that they had chosen as their motto, "The advent message to Pensacola." A tract on "What Seventh-day Adventists believe" will be placed in every home in the city. Of course they have as their great aim, with the Missionary Volunteers everywhere, "The advent message to all the world in this generation." Brother Leslie Wildes told of the accomplishments of the Mobile senior society. Sister Wildes is the superintendent of the Juniors. Her appeal for a

## SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE SIXTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND

MARCH 31, 1927

Conference	Mem.	Amt. Due	Amt. rec. 1926	Amt. rec. 1927	Short	Per mem. 1926	Per mem. 1927
Alabama	629	4906.20	2052.68	2074.96	2831.24	.311	.254
Kentucky	674	5257.20	1644.79	2672.38	2584.82	.186	.305
La.-Miss.	704	5491.20	2641.31	3025.71	2465.49	.326	.331
Tenn. River	1115	8697.00	2938.08	3123.14	5573.86	.20	.216
	3122	24351.60	9276.86	10896.19	13455.41	.243	.268
Colored (Based on 50 cents per week.)							
Alabama	306	1989.00	970.36	1036.89	952.11	.248	.261
Kentucky	172	1118.00	427.03	466.60	651.40	.149	.210
La.-Miss.	450	2925.00	946.25	705.06	2219.94	.172	.121
Tenn. River	227	1475.50	393.67	378.17	1097.33	.128	.128
	1155	7507.50	2737.31	2586.72	4920.78	.178	.172

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT SABBATH SCHOOL OFFERINGS

MARCH 31, 1927

Conference	Memb.	Amt. rec. 1926	Amt. rec. 1927	Per cap. 1926	Per cap. 1927
Alabama	629	1895.58	1933.37	.288	.236
Kentucky	674	1465.37	1983.89	.166	.286
La.-Miss.	704	2273.63	2788.95	.281	.305
Tenn. River	1115	2680.14	2702.40	.182	.187
	3122	8314.72	9408.61	.218	.232
Colored					
Alabama	306	771.55	965.67	.197	.243
Kentucky	172	417.65	425.49	.145	.190
La.-Miss.	450	893.96	632.36	.163	.108
Tenn. River	227	384.63	375.91	.125	.127
	1155	2467.79	2399.43	.161	.16

leader for these little folk during the summer months, was so urgent that surely they will be properly cared for. The Mobile societies already have 39 Reading Course, and 11 Bible Year certificates to their credit for 1927.

All those who heard Miss Carolyn McClure tell why "Every M. V. should take the Standard of Attainment;" Mr. Lowell Byers speak on "Why observe the Morning Watch," and Miss Cora Russell present "Why every M. V. member should report," could easily understand why so many volunteered to be faithful in these activities. We hope to be able to have these subjects in the Worker as they were given at the convention.

Many others took part in the discussion, which increased with interest to the very last session. The union was represented by Elder Nethery and Professor Bradley. Elder Russell also gave valuable assistance, and

Brother Franz was right on the job with his fine books, many of which were purchased by those interested in good clean literature.

To sum it all up in a few words, it was a good convention, enjoyed by all.

J. F. Ashlock.

"Our publications should go everywhere. Let them be issued in many languages. You who believe the truth for this time, wake up."—*The Colporteur Evangelist*, page 101.

"Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer, who has had a long missionary experience in Mohammedan countries, says, 'No agency can penetrate Islam so deeply, abide so permanently, witness so daringly, and influence so irresistibly, as the printed page.'"

## KENTUCKY

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MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER  
BANNER POINTS

All of the Missionary Volunteers in Kentucky will be very much interested to know who gets the Banner for the first quarter's work. The following are the Banner points for the first quarter:

Society	Total points	Per member
Senior		
Louisville	4600	287
Bowling Green	773	110
Louisville (Colored)	756	63
Covington	1110	27
Junior		
Louisville (Colored)	5586	329
Stearns	1406	117
Louisville	1561	52
Covington	566	19

You will see from this that the Louisville Senior society is the proud possessor of the Senior Banner; while Chestnut Street church school is equally, if not more, proud possessor of the Junior Banner. Will these two societies accept our heartiest congratulations?

This quarter we hope to see the Reading Course applications coming in thick and fast. There should be dozens and dozens of them.

Kindly remember that May is the month for the Standard of Attainment examination, and the examination will decide very largely which societies receive the Banner next quarter. The questions will soon be here, and we want every loyal Missionary Volunteer to be ready to take the examination early in May.

F. G. Ashbaugh.

## KENTUCKY NEWS NOTES

Brother M. R. Garrett, our field missionary secretary, left the first of last week for Ooltewah, Tennessee, to assist in the institute being held at the Southern Junior College. He will also visit the Oakwood School at Huntsville, Alabama, before returning. We offer a cordial welcome to the students who come to Kentucky to canvass this vacation.

Brother G. T. Ashlock has held the record in sales for three weeks. In sending in his report for this week he apologizes for its being so small, and says it was because he ran into some poor territory.

In sending in his Big Week report Elder Ashbaugh writes:

"I had a most marvelous time, and heartily recommend the colporteur work to the constituency of the Kentucky Conference. It can be done. It has been done."

We are just in receipt of an order from Brother W. C. Gracey for books amounting to \$179. In the past he has delivered a high percentage of his orders, and we are praying he may have a good delivery this time.

Brother K. G. Risetter writes:

"I have been out in Knox County the past week. It was a pleasure to get out into the country again and enjoy the kind hospitality of the people. I found many that appreciated my call and readily ordered the book. One of the country preachers wanted me to stay in his neighborhood and help with some revival meetings, and another preacher paid cash for his book. I received an order in the better binding from a man who told how he had been unconscious for three days and nearly lost his life as a result of an accident. We can often see how such experiences work for good, and I hope that many of these sincere souls will accept the last call when it comes to them.

"As I was about to leave a home, a lady who was burdened for her flock remarked that she wished I could call at their home often. I believe the people are getting more and more convinced that the end of all things is a hand, and the Spirit of the Lord is no doubt being poured out here in Kentucky as well as in other parts of the world.

"We do appreciate getting the *Review*, and watch the rapid progress of God's cause in this sunset hour. Pray that I may have more than human wisdom, that I may have grace from heaven, and that I may go forward in faith in this good colporteur work."

"God's people are willing to work."

### SUMMARY OF THE COLPORTEUR WORK IN THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE MARCH 31, 1927

Conference	Year	Col.	Hours	Mag. ord.	Total	Mag. del.	Del.
Alabama	1927	19	1541	238.25	3099.75	128.75	960.50
Alabama	1926	22	2897	25.15	5051.05	34.10	3354.20
Gain				213.10		94.65	
Loss		3	1356		1951.30		2393.70
Kentucky	1927	14	1086	5.60	1991.75	5.60	785.10
Kentucky	1926	14	1384	61.95	3349.15	17.50	1280.50
Loss			298	56.35	1357.20	11.90	495.40
La.-Miss.	1927	16	1582	139.75	4419.25	49.75	894.00
La.-Miss.	1926	20	2244	202.50	5830.75	127.00	2111.00
Loss		4	662	62.75	1411.50	77.25	1217.00
Tenn. River	1927	7	651	114.75	1267.60	114.75	388.00
Tenn. River	1926	13	1402	264.50	1580.16	276.00	1033.46
Loss		6	751	149.75	312.56	161.25	645.46
Union	1927	56	4860	498.35	10778.35	298.85	3027.60
Union	1926	69	7927	554.10	15811.11	454.60	7779.16

### LOSSES AND GAINS FOR MARCH OVER MARCH 1926

	ORDERS		DELIVERIES	
	GAIN	LOSS	GAIN	LOSS
Alabama		1951.30		2393.70
Kentucky		1357.40		495.40
La.-Miss.		1411.50		1217.00
Tenn. River		312.56		645.46
	5032.76		4751.56	

F. W. Schmehl,  
Union Field Miss. Sec.

## L.A.-MISS.

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### LA.-MISS. NOTES

There is not a secretary in the office at this writing except the Sabbath school secretary, Mrs. Taylor, and she just returned to the city yesterday from Vicksburg, where she spent the week-end visiting in the interests of the Sabbath school.

Elder DeVinney, Brother Smith and Brother Schroader are in New Orleans, having held a convention in the church the past few days. Today, the 18th, they are attending to business affairs of the association. Professor Bradley from the union was to be with them and the church during the meetings held.

Brother Botimer spent the past week at Southern Junior College,

attending the institute for the students; and this week he will spend at the Oakwood College, attending the institute held there.

April 30 is the day set for the offering for the elementary schools. We trust each one will bear in mind the importance of giving our children Christian education, and make their offering as large as possible.

The following is part of a letter written by Sister Ratcliff, the Bible worker in the Meridian colored church:

"This little company is getting along nicely. We had three more to join last week. We have a sewing band called the Dorcas Band, and we meet every Thursday and make aprons. We started with \$2.50 in January, and some weeks we could not meet because the weather was so bad; but we have almost forty dollars cash on hand to finish the church inside. The new members are so glad to get the Worker to see the progress of the work everywhere. One man is ready to join the church and another is coming out on

LOUISIANA-MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE COMPARATIVE STATEMENT  
OF OFFERINGS TO MISSIONS FIRST THREE MONTHS 1926 AND 1927

Church	Membership		Offerings		Loss	Gain	Per cap. 1927
	1926	1927	1926	1927			
Baton Rouge	25	34	77.93	147.07		68.14	.36
Cedar Creek	5	5	4.50		4.50		
Conference	150	140	451.31	244.30	207.01		.15
DeRidder	10		30.61		30.61		
Hatley	6	6	10.21	11.64		1.43	.16
Hattiesburg	41	35	122.75	136.79		14.04	.30
Hobart	18	14	26.00	21.12	4.88		.13
Jackson	36	36	184.24	261.36		77.12	.60
Lakes Charles		24		129.47		129.47	.45
Laurel	24	23	123.59	115.65	7.94		.42
Mansfield	16	16	41.55	71.54		29.99	.37
Meridian	42	48	156.20	184.30		28.10	.32
New Orleans	173	155	913.42	858.85	54.57		.46
Shreveport	94	89	339.82	470.03		130.21	.44
Talawah	47	50	109.43	273.68		164.25	.45
Vicksburg	17	17	49.75	99.91		50.16	.49

TOTALS	704	692	2641.31	3025.71		384.40	.36
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## COLORED DEPARTMENT

Brookhaven	20	17	19.72	15.64	4.08		.08
Columbus	16	16	5.48	10.82		5.34	.05
Greenwood	22	14	17.55	10.17	7.38		.06
Greenville	37	39	62.86	58.46	4.40		.12
Hammond	12	11	29.53	22.40	7.13		.17
Jackson	27	39	45.86	128.03		82.17	.27
Meridian	5	8	12.54	34.52		21.98	.36
Mission	22	22	54.38	35.26	19.12		.13
New Orleans	216	164	552.24	285.42	266.83		.14
Shreveport	27	27	78.81	59.53	19.28		.18
Soso	18	14	7.48	4.97	2.51		.03
Vicksburg	14	7	36.35	26.82	9.53		.32
Yazoo City	14	14	23.44	13.02	10.42		.08

TOTALS	450	392	946.25	705.06	241.19		.15
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the Sabbath. A goodly number are working on the Investment Plan. I think it will be a success. One sister has set a hen on nine eggs, and seven chickens hatched out and are growing fine. Some have other plans, but they are all taking hold right along. Pray for us."

## LA.-MISS. CONF. REPORT

Attention is here called to special items of interest in our statement of offerings to missions. It is encouraging to note that out of the sixteen churches listed, ten have made a substantial gain this year over the same period for last year. In this I refer to the conference. In the colored department 3 only have made gains, while ten show a loss. Deducting the net loss in the

colored department from the net gain in the conference leaves a net gain in offerings of \$143.21.

While the demands on the missions treasury are heavy, and we have fallen far short of the sixty cents a week for the period, yet there are encouraging features to this report, and we have much for which to be thankful. While the gain thus far is small, it will be noticed that the membership on which the offerings is based is seventy less than for 1926. So the gain per member is more than is indicated by the figure showing the net gain.

The Jackson church leads in per capita offerings, being exactly sixty cents per week. Others are close seconds. The average for the conference is thirty-six cents, and for the colored department, fifteen cents.

Let church elders and leaders and Sabbath school superintendents en-

courage the increase of offerings in each church so that the next report will show a decided gain in all the churches.

A. B. Schroeder,  
Treasurer.

## A GOOD REPORT

There is nothing that will stimulate greater missionary activity so much as the love of doing something for the Lord. We may urge the people to do more missionary work, and to be more faithful in reporting; but after all, unless they do it purely because of the love they have for it, there will not be very much done.

The Meridian colored church has set us a good example in missionary work during the first quarter of 1927. This is practically a new church. We have had a few believers there for some time, but last summer Elder Keitts went over there and conducted a tent meeting and added several new believers. Since they have been organized into a church they have been very busy in their missionary activities. The following is a report of their missionary work for the first quarter in 1927:

Missionary visits	840
Bible readings or gospel meetings	116
Persons taken to S. S. or other service	41
Hours of Christian help work	272
Treatments given	51
Value of food and fuel given	\$34.06
Articles of clothing given	62
Papers and magazines distributed	491
Tracts distributed	303
Subscriptions for periodicals	34
Books distributed	12
Missionary letters written	29
Replies received	5

This is certainly a good report, and I believe it ought to inspire all of our churches in the conference to do more in the work of the Lord.

Jere D. Smith.

"During the Big Week of 1921 a lady bought a French 'Steps to Christ.' The family read it and became interested. They interested their neighbors, and seven were baptized as the result."

"Our first aim in life should be winning souls to Christ."

## COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR SOUTHERN UNION

COLPORTEUR	Book	Mag.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Mag.	Helps	Total	Del.
LA.-MISS., WEEK ENDING APR. 16. C. E. Botimer, <i>Field Secretary</i>									
Mrs. Bessie Bee	BR	W	49	23	142.50	33.25	13.25	189.00	
Luke Galjour	BF		26	10	31.00		7.25	38.25	6.75
M. Hastings	BR		40	25	115.50		5.00	120.50	2.50
W. R. Lilburn	BR								154.50
C. E. Stewart	BF		22	13	45.00		6.25	51.25	29.25
J. L. Waller	DR		32	12	89.00		32.00	134.25	6.00
<i>Colored</i>									
Birdie Hamblet	OD		29	11	39.25		61.25	100.50	
Israel Landry	GC		35	16	84.50		7.50	92.00	1.75
L. J. McElroy	BFL		22	8	26.50		16.70	49.70	1.70
							6.50		

TOTALS 255 118 573.25 33.25 155.70 775.45 202.45

ALABAMA, WEEK ENDING APR. 16. R. R. Coble, <i>Field Secretary</i>									
T. Hilderbrandt	OD	W	47	37	137.00	61.25	3.50	201.75	38.50
G. S. Holland	BR		43	28	156.00		20.75	178.75	57.00
H. T. Barnhart	BFL		42	7	23.00			23.00	72.50
J. L. Ward	BFL	W	40	12	45.00	1.75	34.50	81.25	10.00
Mrs. A. P. Sheldt	BR		38	17	96.50		31.00	127.50	26.25
A. P. Sheldt	OD		37	13	45.50		8.75	54.25	2.50
W. C. Martin	OD		36	12	45.00		27.00	72.00	39.50
M. H. Gable	BFL		33	3	9.00		7.50	16.50	20.50
R. D. Capps (2)	BML		44				28.00	28.00	64.00
Mrs. O. Williams	BR		26		137.50		13.50	151.00	1.00
Miss Coleman (2)		W	48			60.75		60.75	60.75
Mrs. J. L. Ward			6				4.75	4.75	4.75
<i>Colored</i>									
T. Culpepper (2)	BR		77	19	108.50			108.50	
Bessie Powers	OD		38	27	99.00		2.00	101.00	4.50

TOTALS 555 175 904.00 123.75 181.25 1209.00 401.75

KENTUCKY, WEEK ENDING APR. 16. M. R. Garrett, <i>Field Secretary</i>									
G. T. Ashlock			55	38	132.50		70.25	202.75	25.00
W. C. Gracey			35	14	47.00		2.00	49.00	
K. G. Risetter			43	18	56.00		17.35	73.35	26.00
H. R. Stearns			39	7	27.00		5.50	32.50	11.00
Roy Sedgebeer			35	11	35.00			35.00	3.00
E. L. Shepard			42	8	34.00			34.00	12.50
E. B. Whittier			23	17	52.00		12.50	64.50	
<i>Colored</i>									
C. D. Minnis			37	4	22.00		5.50	27.50	31.25
W. H. Martin			49	4	16.00		.50	16.50	6.00

TOTALS 358 121 421.50 113.60 535.10 115.25

TENN. RIVER, WEEK ENDING APR. 16. R. O. Hoover, <i>Field Secretary</i>									
Jesse E. Miller	BR		40	10	54.00		24.25	78.25	12.50
Jesse Crockett	RJ		34	18	54.00		1.00	55.00	11.00
Richard Wilson	RJ		40	18	54.00			54.00	12.00
A. Cummings	OD		25	2	7.00		7.50	14.50	3.50

TOTALS 139 48 169.00 32.75 201.75 39.00

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## TENN. RIVER

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TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE  
CAMP-MEETING JUNE 2-11

It has been definitely decided that our camp-meeting will be held at Memphis. We have secured sufficient ground within a block of the church for such tents as we will need to pitch, and we are looking forward to a splendid camp-meeting.

A canvass will be made in the neighborhood for rooms, and no doubt most of our people will be housed in rooms this year. However, there will be tents and a camping place for those with cars, for all who cannot conveniently make use of rooms.

The city water company has kindly granted us the use of a nice piece of ground right back of our church, for the large pavilion.

We trust that every one will plan to make this a most successful meeting.

Please make your application early for rooms so we can have everything in readiness for you.

Our brethren in the Kentucky side of our conference have notified us that the date, June 2-11, would be preferable to May 26-June 4; therefore we have decided to change to this later date. We cannot put it off any later and give our tent meetings sufficient time.

Let us remember, now, June 2-11 is the date.

The time is fairly short between now and camp-meeting, so we trust every one that is planning to go will please let us know.

We will endeavor to supply rooms for the greater part of those who attend. The price of the rooms will probably be somewhere around \$8 for the ten day period. This information will help us in reserving your room or tent.

H. E. Lysinger.

## TENNESSEE RIVER NEWS NOTES

The third week-end convention was held at Paducah last Sabbath, April 16. Elders Lysinger, Frank and Halladay, and Mrs. H. K. Halladay were

"The printed word is to be translated into different languages, and carried to the ends of the earth."—*Testimonies, Volume 9, page 26.*

"Let us remember that we bear a message of healing to a world filled with sin-sick souls."—*Special Testimonies, Series B, No. 8, page 24.*

present to help in the discussion of the topics that were given.

Elder D. U. Hale is having a very good attendance at his Sunday night service. He is holding these in the church in Paducah. Perhaps the present crowds are the best that have ever gathered in the church building since its erection.

Word has been received from the General Conference that Elder J. Adams Stevens, the General Conference home missionary secretary, is to be in our field four days, beginning April 28.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Lysinger is up again. She was sick for a few days but we are glad to see her once more.

The screens about the office are receiving a new dress. We are hoping that there will be no flies to bother us this coming summer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Walen, of Chestnut Hill, were callers last week. He was having some dental work done, while in the city.

Big Week will soon be here. The question comes to each, "What am I going to do?"

Elders O. F. Frank and H. K. Halladay met with the Paducah colored church on Sunday night last, and secured orders from them for 124 sets of Big Week books, besides \$15 in cash and pledges.

Nearly 600 Big Week sets were sent from the office into the field last week. A trunk load was sent the week before. It looks like big things are to be accomplished this year.

Elder W. P. McLennan reports that there were three baptized last Sabbath at Memphis.

#### MEMPHIS CAMP-MEETING

To the Believers in the Tennessee River Conference:

You have doubtless learned that our camp-meeting is to begin June 2, which means that we are to have our annual convocation in just about six weeks. This date will come as a sur-

prise to many, but after earnest consideration by the conference committee, it was thought well to hold the meeting at this early date so as to make possible the holding of tent meetings without the interruption that has heretofore come when held at the later date. We felt sure that our people would be glad to co-operate in this matter so as to make possible a strong evangelistic program.

We have every reason for believing that the Spirit of God is being withdrawn from the world, and that "dreadful scenes are before us; Satan and his angels are bringing all their powers to bear on God's people." —"Testimonies," Vol. 1, p. 263. "A storm is coming, relentless in its fury." In view of what we are facing, should we not take advantage of every means of grace that our heavenly Father has provided? And is not the camp-meeting a means of grace that contributes very largely to our spiritual interests? We read in "Testimonies," Vol. 2, p. 601, "The object of a camp-meeting is to lead all to separate from business cares and burdens, and devote a few days exclusively to seeking the Lord. We should occupy the time in self-examination, close searching of heart, penitential confession of sins, and renewing our vows to the Most High."

Again we read, "If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in these last days of peril and conflict! And if the people of the world then needed the light which God had committed to His church, how much more do they need it now!" —"Testimonies," Vol. 2, p. 40.

Shall we not, in the light of present-day conditions and this plain instruction, put forth a special effort to be present at this meeting?

I trust that we shall have the largest attendance ever, and that the Spirit of God will be present in a large measure; and that we will come claiming the promise, "Ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart." Jer. 29:13.

W. P. McLennan.

"God has made men channels through which His gifts are to flow, to sustain the work which He would have carried forward in the world."

SOUTHERN JUNIOR COLLEGE  
M. E. Cady, President  
COLTEWAH, TENNESSEE  
A SCHOOL OF STANDARDS

#### COLLEGEDALE NOTES

The colporteur institute at Collegedale closed last week Tuesday. About 25 to 30 students attended the meetings for instruction during the time of the institute; and this is a fair indication of the number of students who plan to engage in the colporteur work this coming summer.

On Sabbath during the institute, the services were in charge of our field secretaries. Brother F. W. Schmehl spoke at the forenoon service. At the afternoon meeting the eight field secretaries from the two union conferences gave a symposium of five-minute speeches on various phases and experiences of the colporteur work. We were glad to have these brethren with us for this institute, and trust that they will all be well repaid by the recruits they secure from the school.

At the chapel hour Tuesday morning of last week, an effort was made to finish up our Institutional Relief campaign. The Relief books taken by the school numbered 370. Of these over 300 had been disposed of, leaving about 60 still on hand. Teachers and students united in taking these remaining books. Some were able to pay for theirs at once. Quite a number of students pledged themselves to sell one or more of the books during the summer. In this way the last book was disposed of, to our great satisfaction that we were able to complete this campaign by reaching our goal. Elder Jay J. Nethery was present, and assisted greatly in bringing the campaign to a successful finish.

Last week Wednesday was set for the close of the campaign to secure subscriptions for the Southland Annual. Five hundred twenty-seven paid subscriptions were reported, besides enough pledged subscriptions to pass the 600 mark.

The students were promised a half-day outing at the close of this drive for the school Annual; so Wednesday

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afternoon all school work was suspended, the students in a body enjoyed a pleasant "hike," ending at Robinson's pasture, where some time was spent in games and sports. An enjoyable lunch, including ice cream, was a note-worthy feature of the occasion.

From all this we hope that our friends will not get the idea that the subscription list for the Annual is closed. On the contrary it is not at all too late to subscribe. So send in your dollar at once.

The past month has been a very busy one at the College Print Shop. During these four weeks we have done business to the amount of \$1352; and this in spite of the loss of three days, during which the electric power was cut off while repairs were being made on the electric line.

## OMISSION

In the circulars sent out in behalf of the Big Week campaign, a list is given of the publications in the different foreign languages. Through some error the French has been left out.

We take this opportunity to inform our brethren and sisters that "Steps to Christ," "Marked Bible," and "Christ the Divine One," in French, are the books chosen to be used during the Big Week campaign among the French speaking people. These can be obtained by placing your orders

through the regular channel, your Book and Bible House.

Get some of these books and use them among your French neighbors and watch the results.

L. F. Passebois, Sec. French Division, Sterling Jct., Mass.

## STUDENT NURSES WANTED

The William Mason Memorial Hospital offers opportunity to eight selected students, between the ages of 18 and 35, and who have nine grades in an accredited school, to enter our Nurses' Training School, June 1, 1927. Our School is recognized by the State Board of Kentucky, and graduates who register in Kentucky can nurse in any State in the United States except three. Cash monthly allowance is paid students in addition to board, room, tuition and laundry. Write at once.

William Mason Memorial Hospital,  
5t Murray, Kentucky.

## OBITUARY

Pilcher—Miss Ava Lee Pilcher, a member of the Memorial Seventh-day Adventist church of Nashville, Tennessee, passed away Friday, March 25, 1927; age 28 years.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer from her home. She leaves to mourn her father, one sister and two brothers. H. E. Lysinger,

## CANVASS FOR BIG WEEK BOOKS 1927

(In every case meet the people with a smile.)

This is Mr. or Mrs.——, I believe, Mr. or Mrs.—— is my name. (Be sure to put Mr. or Mrs. or Miss to your name.)

I am just making a brief call (step forward, and you will find door opens.) (Inside.) Mr. (or Mrs.)——, I am a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church (state where). And once a year we devote one week to what is called Big-Week Extension work. During this week every member is asked to take part in visiting the people in the interest of this Extension work with literature, the profits of which are all given to establish Christian schools, mission presses, and sanitariums where the poor may be treated. You know sickness is increasing on every hand, and thousands are dying because of lack of care. We have, therefore, dedicated (show books) these two books, "What the Bible Teaches" and "Story of Esther," for this cause. (Show first book, turning leaves hastily and say) "What the Bible Teaches" is just what you have been looking for. Such subjects as the "Foundation of Godly Living," "Christ in Creation and Redemption," "Why is Sin Permitted?" "Saved by Grace," and the "Second Coming of Christ," are made so plain, and also the "Hour of God's Judgment." (Show second book.) And "The Story of Esther" is an interesting account of the most beautiful young woman that ever lived. You know Esther means "star," and a star she was. She was chosen queen of the Persian king. Esther was even more beautiful in character than in appearance. This is a wonderful book for both old and young folk to read.

The price of the set is only 50 cents; and the money, as I stated, will go to establish institutions, especially where the sick can be treated, and to help the boys and girls to enter school, who have not the privileges that we have. No doubt you would like an extra set to send to some of your friends, which would only be \$1.00.

F. W. Schmehl.

"Let the medical missionary and educational work go forward."—"Testimonies," Volume 9, page 168.