

The West China Union Mission

Raymond H. Hartwell

Of West China it may certainly be said that "the harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few." God has blessed the work in spite of Satan's constant efforts to hinder. By the close of the second quarter of this year there were about one thousand members in the Sabbath schools of this Union Mission. So in the face of bandits, famine, and other obstacles, the message is even here calling out a people prepared for the coming of the Lord.

Elder and Sister M. C. Warren are the workers who have been longest in this field, and Elder Warren has been superintending the work of this union. He and his fellow workers have been doing hard work to win souls. By public efforts and house to house work, the truth is presented and not a few are receiving Jesus as their Saviour.

West China has had many trials this year. Our Brother Herbert K. Smith was killed. Several missionary homes have temporarily lost the smiling face of one of their little ones from the family circle. We do not fully understand the reason for these things, but as Sister Smith wrote us long ago, "We often wonder why disappointments and trials come to us, but I always think of Romans 8: 28." The spirit of Sister Smith shows how it is possible to trust God, even in the greatest of trials.

These trials have not been confined to our foreign missionaries, for our native brethren have also had a share. Some have languished in prisons. At times they have been falsely accused of being communists. Now and then a chapel has been

wrecked and the furniture carried away.

Even though the most trying and forbidding circumstances may arise, yet the church must finish the work Christ has given her to do.

There are many needs in West China. Greatest of these is, perhaps, the need of consecrated workers to join the thin line now on the front. Before his death, Brother Smith said he thought one of the greatest needs was a training school for workers. We beseech you, brethren and sisters, to continue your prayers in behalf of the workers already at their posts of duty, that health, wisdom and courage may be given them as they labor for the lost.

Remember the Thirteenth Sabbath offering overflow will mean much to the work and workers in West China.

PREPARE FOR ENLARGING SERVICE

At the recent Autumn Council a minister asked whether or not one is justified in taking time from his allotted duties to read the Ministerial Reading Course books. If there is one truth more incontestable than another upon this point, it is that no one is justified in crippling his future by failure to prepare—not only for today for the future. One hour a day will provide for reading twenty pages thoughtfully, or the equivalent of eighteen average volumes a year.

It is interesting to observe how wide-read are some of our leaders.

At the Council, the president of one of our largest division conferences told of a remarkable number of books he had read. Still another president has written nine volumes during his busy and successful ministry. It has always been a source of interest and stimulus to hear our General Conference president tell of his visits to libraries and second-hand bookstores, searching and studying, and to observe that in the midst of a crowded life of unstinted service he has written ten volumes, aggregating nearly three thousand pages. And no one would ever suggest any neglect of his work.

By pen and voice, and through study and research we are to prepare, prepare, prepare, for an enlarging service. The four volumes which comprise the Ministerial Reading Course for the year of 1930 are of great value. They are listed as follows: (1) "Certainties of the Advent Movement," by W. A. Spicer; (2) "The Cross in Christian Experience," by W. H. Clow; (3) "Christianity and Liberalism," by J. G. Mechen; (4) "Fundamentals of Christian Education," by Mrs. E. G. White. Just at this time hundreds of sets of these books are on their way to the homes and offices of conference workers in all parts of the world, and in some sections the Reading Course study has already begun. Any worker who has not yet ordered these books should request the secretary of the Book and Bible House to supply the need without further delay.

The interest and enthusiasm for following an outline course of reading is becoming more apparent year by year. It is one of the available means of progress and preparedness. Truly, "If we fail to prepare, we are preparing to fail." L. E. Froom.

AT THIS SEASON

At this season of the year we have our minds directed to that great event, the birth of the Saviour of the world. Whether or not the exact date of His birth is known, is immaterial from the standpoint of the value one receives by looking to Him and meditating upon the benefits derived from accepting Him as a personal Saviour.

The greatest thing for us to know and realize is the fact that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

The first day which dawned upon the Babe of Bethlehem was a day calculated to bring joy, happiness, and hope to every individual living, or who in after years should live. No doubt it was a day of anxiety to those travel-worn parents who were far from home, as distances were reckoned in those days.

The Lamb of God had come to the world in person, as had been promised. Another mile post had been reached on life's highway stretching from Eden lost to Eden restored.

All heaven rejoiced. There are perhaps two outstanding occasions recorded when the "morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy:" the birth of the world and the birth of the Saviour. One more occasion like unto those is yet to be heralded — the final redemption of "those who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

It is our privilege to be happy, and our duty to radiate that happiness to others. The Christian is admonished to "rejoice evermore." Even in the midst of affliction and sorrow we may ever keep in mind that the Saviour's birth makes possible for us a life of joy with Him throughout an endless eternity, and a peace and happiness for today.

Burton Castle.

"I SHALL HAVE TO REWARD YOU"

The other day Brother Webster, the pastor of our Nashville church, and I were doing some Harvest Ingathering in the business section here in Nashville, and it was our

hap to call on a business man, who talked quite differently from the average run. We were perfect strangers to him and he to us. He received us kindly and listened very respectfully to all we had to say. He seemed to note with unusual interest the outstanding features of the Harvest Ingathering magazine, and assured us that he would be glad to read it carefully and thoroughly. Upon finishing my conversation I handed him my list of contributors, and he seemed especially pleased as he read over the different names. "Why," says he, "you have gotten all the tight-wads of the town! I have worked on the Community Chest drive for years; and had you asked me for a list of names that would contribute cheerfully to your cause, this would have been the last list I would ever have thought of giving you. Why, those fellows are positively stingy. They are too chary for me. They are the closest handed fellows, I think, I have ever seen. What kind of an oration did you deliver to get those fellows to loosen up?"

I assured him that I had made no better speech to them than I had just made to him, and if they were very hard fellows to bring to the decision to part with twenty-five dollar donations for a cause like this, then he being more easily persuaded and more ready to give should contribute at least a hundred dollars to our fund. "Well, I am not able to do that much, (I did not know then that he had already given \$25 to our cause this year) but I do feel that I just must reward you for having gotten those fellows to give. You deserve at least \$25 for the feat, and I will have my treasurer write you a check for that amount right now." Of course, I thanked him very kindly and then said, "Mr. —, you should not judge the donors on my list too harshly because they did not give to your Community Chest drive. They might be very good and liberal fellows notwithstanding appearances to the contrary. The good Book says, 'The Lord seeth not as man seeth, for man looketh on the outward appearance but the Lord looketh on the heart.'"

So the man actually rewarded me with \$25, because, as he put it, I had gotten the hardest men in town on

my list. No doubt this was just a little humor on his part. I believe he gave because he was convinced that we represented a good and worthy cause, but he wanted to accompany his giving with a little pleasantry.

Well, we have all kinds of experiences in the Harvest Ingathering work, and after we have been having a hard time for a while, the Lord usually sends some spicy little experience like this to encourage us. So let us cast "all care upon Him," and be happy in whatever He gives us to do. And let us "rejoice in the Lord" all the while we are working for Him. When things are going hard, let's be happy, and when things are going well, let's give Him the praise and be thankful in either case. There is no experience that can come to any man that is equal to the joyfulness of working for the Master. It's possible to make a little heaven all the way to heaven.

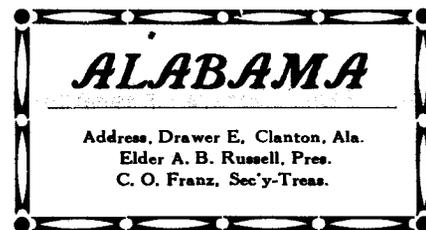
An old Christian was once asked if he really expected to ever go to heaven. "Why, man, I live there!" was the quaint reply. That's the idea, brethren. Let's have real happiness in doing this Harvest Ingathering work. Happiness in it is both a privilege and a duty.

"While I sought happiness, she fled
Before me constantly.

Weary, I turned to Duty's path,

And happiness sought me
Saying, 'I walk the road today;
I will bear thee company.'

O. F. Frank.



ALABAMA NEWS NOTES

Elder and Mrs. B. J. White, of South Bend, Indiana, are visiting their son, Pastor W. W. White of the Birmingham church. Elder White occupied the Sabbath morning hour last week, speaking on the subject of "Power in the Life," calling his hearers' attention to the sad fact that many dead Adventists are walking around in live bodies. A stirring call was given for each

"hearer of the Word" to be also a doer.

Last week Elder Russell visited the churches and companies in the southern part of the conference, spending some time in council with the workers at Pensacola, Marianna, and Mobile.

The work at Pensacola, under the direction of Elder C. N. Martin, is steadily growing. A letter from Sister Martin states that the Sabbath school is at present enjoying an attendance of over 100, of whom half are young people.

Elder Frank Weeks, pastor of the Mobile church, is spending some time with the work at Summerdale, where he held an effort this past summer.

Good reports are coming in from the field, showing progress in the Harvest Ingathering work. Brother Baldwin, our Home Missionary secretary, is visiting again the churches in the southern part of the conference. Sister Lucile Smith and a companion are still visiting such portions of territory as have not been worked by our churches. The Second Birmingham church reports having reached the \$10 per member goal, and still going strong; while the reports which come in from church treasurers and other workers indicate that our people have determined to see the Alabama Conference reach its goal.

Elder F. A. Osterman, who, since ~~connecting with the colored department~~ of the conference last spring, has been carrying on work at Tuscaloosa, reports that despite strong and almost constant opposition from the churches of the city, a strong work is being developed there. A company of believers is being organized, and it is hoped that a church organization may be perfected soon.

Do not fail to take advantage of the special holiday offers on many of our books which have been mailed to our people each week for some time. Especially should each Seventh-day Adventist family take advantage of the opportunity to secure an extra

copy of "Great Controversy" in the \$6.50 binding for only \$1.35 post-paid. If you already have a copy in the home, why not secure at least one extra copy to use regularly in lending to your neighbors? The beautiful half-leather binding (the \$1.35 special) also makes an attractive gift for unbelieving relatives. Why not place this important book in the hands of thousands of friends and relatives?

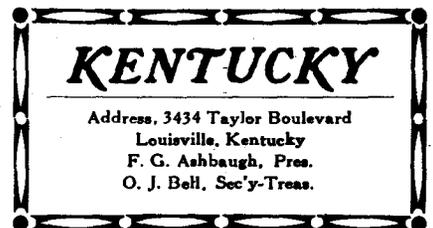
With services in connection with the Week of Prayer being held in practically all the churches in the conference, the conference workers are dividing their time among as many points as can best be served. The local pastors are remaining largely with the churches with which they are connected. Elder Russell is meeting with several churches during the week; Brother Baldwin is spending the first part of the week with the church at Argo and going on to Long Island for the latter half of the week; Brother Cowdrick is meeting first with the Andalusia church and later with the one at Gilberttown. In the colored department Elder Osterman will spend one day each at Birmingham and Montgomery, and then go on to Mobile for the latter part of the week. Brother Wilkins will bring help and encouragement to the Dothan church, which has been without help for some time; Brother Baker will meet with the new company at Tuscaloosa in the absence of Elder Osterman. Let us pray that this week may bring each of us into a closer communion with our Maker, and impress each believer with the necessity of a fuller giving of every talent and capability to the finishing of the work in this generation.

Orders for books for holiday delivery are pouring into the office every day, some from workers with whom we have been in touch, and some from those who have felt impressed to do something promptly, and with whom we have not as yet had communication. If you are of these and you have not yet sent in your order for books for your delivery let us urge you to do so at once. Mail delivery is naturally slowed up considerably at this time of year,

and it is necessary to give ample time for the filling of orders.

Our isolated members and Sabbath school officers should not wait until the last of the quarter to order quarterlies for the coming three months. Our stock is on hand at the office, and we shall be glad to fill orders for quarterlies now so that there may be no delay when these supplies are needed.

Good reports continue to come in from practically all of the churches in regard to the Harvest Ingathering work. According to the last bulletin, \$7329.83 has been raised, leaving only \$1850.17 to raise before reaching the conference goal of an average of \$10 per member. Eight churches are already on the honor roll as having reached their church goal; and since issuing the last bulletin word has come of a ninth. Sylacauga, a faithful little company of believers headed by Sister Beulah Wells, is the last one to report for the honor roll of churches. We know that this has meant hard and faithful work on the part of each member, and especially the leader.



WEEK OF PRAYER AND ANNUAL OFFERING

When these lines appear in print our believers the world over will be in the midst of the Week of Prayer. This week, as our readers know, is set apart as a time for our people to draw nearer to the Lord, and by heart searching, prayer, and re-consecration, gain a new experience that will help them to be more faithful as the end draws on. Those of you who live near one of our churches have doubtless been attending the meetings during the week, and have listened to the inspiring articles that have been read from night to night. If you are an isolated member and have not the privilege of association and fellowship with those of like precious

faith, you have, we hope, been reading the articles in the Week of Prayer number of the *Review*. Those of our isolated members who do not regularly read the *Review* and do not have access to the special Week of Prayer number should, by all means, order a copy from the Bible House. The price is only five cents.

At the close of the Week of Prayer each year, the Annual offering is taken. We hope that all our members will remember this offering and will make the Lord a liberal thank offering. He has surely blessed His people in rich measure during the year that is about to close, and it will be well pleasing in His sight if, as a token of our appreciation and love to Him, we will give a real thank offering.

At the last Autumn Council a budget of over five million dollars was voted for the great world-wide work during the year 1930. This budget was by far the largest ever voted by our people. Our brethren do not have these five millions of dollars in hand ready to spend, but they do have full confidence that this work is of the Lord; and they have confidence that our people, when called upon, will work and sacrifice and give that the work may be speedily finished. Our people have always responded loyally in times past, and as the end draws on and the work is about to be finished, they will surely be even more loyal than ever before.

KENTUCKY COLPORTEUR NOTES

Brother Frasure, our new colporteur, sends in a report of \$118 for his first full week's canvassing alone. We are looking for more like him.

Reports continue to come in of those contemplating taking up the work.

The field secretary recently presented the matter of *Watchman* church school scholarships to the Covington church school, and twelve children over ten years of age signified their intentions of taking up the plan. It is hoped that these twelve little apostles of the printed page may be able to accomplish much good, and prepare themselves for a useful future. Parents of

children over ten, please write in for information to the field secretary, whether your child is attending church school or not.

Colporteur monthly summaries continue to show a regular increase over the same months of last year. Lay plans now to help make 1930 a big year in colporteur work for Kentucky.

Special Notice

The colporteur institute (white) for Kentucky will be held from January 20 to 29. Readers please note this. Those who have been thinking of taking up the colporteur work should decide to do so right away and notify the field secretary of intentions to attend the institute. It is hoped this will be the biggest institute ever held in Kentucky. Will you help make it so? The place will be announced later. Watch the Worker for it. (The date for the colored institute will also be announced later.)

KENTUCKY NEWS NOTES

As many of our readers know, Elder J. G. Mitchell has accepted a call to the Southeastern Union as pastor of the church at Miami, Florida. Brother Mitchell has already left for his new field of labor.

A conference committee meeting was held at Louisville Monday, December 9. Several important items were considered, among them being the filling of the vacancy on the committee due to Elder Mitchell leaving. Brother J. W. Wheeler, of Nicholasville, was invited to serve.

Elder L. E. Lenheim recently made a trip to Ohio to see his wife, who has been ill for some time in one of our sanitariums. He reports that there is practically no change in her condition. We trust that our people will remember Sister Lenheim in their prayers.

Dr. M. M. Martinson spent a few days in Kentucky, examining the children in our church schools. Professor Wilkinson accompanied him on his trip over the conference.

Some of our churches are still sending in encouraging reports of

the Harvest Ingathering. Louisville, our largest church in the conference, sees the goal just ahead, and the members are determined to reach it. We hope that all our churches will keep up the good work.

For almost two years more our Sabbath school lessons will be on Old Testament experiences. The lesson help for these lessons is "Patriarchs and Prophets." Do you have a copy of this book? If not, why not send in your order at once to the Book and Bible House? The price is \$2.25 in the cloth binding, and \$3.25 in the limp leather.

Some of our people have taken advantage of our special holiday prices on most of our books. Have you? Write us for particulars.

Elder Bellah was at the office for the committee meeting.

TENN. RIVER

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ANNUAL OFFERING December 21.

While our missionaries out on the firing line are making personal sacrifices, let us not fail to support them by our offerings. No doubt many of our people in Tennessee River remember Elder A. N. Allen, who spent some time in the hills of Williamson County, south of Nashville. Concerning Brother Allen, who is now in South America, Brother N. P. Neilsen, president of the South Brazil Union, writes:

"Recently I received a personal letter from Elder A. N. Allen from which I will give an extract, though it was not written for publication. Brother Allen and his family are about 650 kilometers (about 300 miles) beyond the railroad, about 400 kilometers (248 miles) away from doctors, telephones, or drug stores, and more than 200 kilometers (124 miles) away from the post-office. They are among the Caraja Indians, where there are no newspapers, no telephones, no automobiles, no wagons, nor even wagon roads.

"When Brother Allen went there with his family last year, they had to put up temporary buildings of poles and palm leaves or grass until more permanent buildings could be erected. They have no floor in these buildings except mother earth. They have no doors in their house, for they have no boards for doors, unless they can find time to saw them, or get them sawed by hand, perhaps a hundred miles away. Thus they have lived in an open shack all through the wet season, using smoke to protect themselves against the mosquitoes and other insects. Sometimes the snakes or serpents would enter the house and be killed in the kitchen. At other times the tigers would be prowling around. Sometimes the alligators would come up to the door.

"Of his work and their conditions, Brother Allen writes: 'At present with the building that must be done, the farm work, the store and book-keeping, the care of the sick, and the Bible studies each evening with the workers, I have my hands full. . . . Four girls are sleeping in the kitchen. An Indian and his family and we are in the other room. Alvin (his son) sleeps outside. The hens run through the house as well as the dogs. The chickens are necessary to keep down the insects and give us eggs. We have a fine flock. The dogs are necessary to keep down the animals which would destroy the chickens and garden. We are so crowded that we scarcely have room to turn around.'

"They are now making tile and adobes on the ground, and are planning to put up some permanent buildings, which will be much better for them. But many inconveniences must be borne uncomplainingly, and difficulties must be overcome."

Surely we should at this time remember our faithful missionaries, who are so loyally remaining at their posts of duty. Remember, December 21 is the time for our yearly thank offering for our world-wide work.

H. E. Lysinger.

WEDDING BELLS

A very pretty wedding took place at four o'clock Sunday afternoon, December 1, at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Fifth and Father-

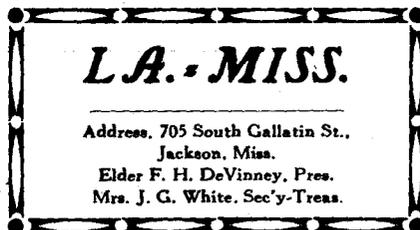
land Sts. Miss Aileene Lysinger and Norman J. Knox were united in marriage. Elder W. P. Bradley officiated.

Preceding the ceremony, an appropriate program of nuptial music was rendered by Mrs. Wm. Kirstine, organist, Mrs. Fred Dortch and Dan Jensen.

The bride, dressed in white crepe back satin, and carrying butterfly roses, entered with her father, who gave her in marriage. The maid of honor, Miss Lillian Fry, wore orchid crepe and carried butterfly roses. The bride's maids, Misses Annie Louise Jones and Jeanette Woods, wore shell pink crepe. Little Miss Eunice Fry, the flower girl, dressed in orchid, strewed rose petals in the bride's path.

The groom was attended by Herschel Frank of Chattanooga, as best man. The ushers were J. T. Jones, A. J. Sheffield, James Fry and Fred Dortch.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox will make their home in Chattanooga, where Mr. Knox is in business with the Frank-Knox Baking Company.



LOUISIANA - MISSISSIPPI NEWS NOTES

Meridian has reached the goal! This is the best news to pass on to you this week. Another church has reached its Harvest Ingathering goal. There are several others that lack only small sums, and it is hoped that in the few remaining days of this year a special effort will be made to put these churches across. Plan! Pray! Push! And the Lord will take care of the results.

Elder DeVinney is in New Orleans investigating plans for a church building for the colored church which has been organized this year.

Brother Cooper, accompanied by his family, drove to Meridian and assisted the church in reaching its Harvest Ingathering goal. From

there he went to Hattiesburg and hopes to help the church reach its goal also.

The 27th of November Brother and Sister Botimer moved to Columbia, Miss., where he will endeavor to plant the seed of truth. An interest has been shown there as the results of Brother J. L. Waller's faithful efforts in the colporteur work. Let us remember to pray for Brother Botimer in this new territory that many souls may be won to the truth.

Professor Bradley and Dr. Martinson are making a tour through the conference in behalf of our church schools. This help is appreciated, and the church schools will be greatly benefited.

Brother Tonie Kelly and family are back in Jackson now. They are working with the home workers' books and are having good success.

Many orders are coming in for the home workers' books, so many that it is almost impossible to keep a supply in the Book and Bible House office. Hundreds are ordered each week and especially the set of the splendid books, "The Bedtime Stories." These are good for gifts. Send your orders early so there will not be any delay caused by the heavy mails of the season.

The "Home Missionary Calendar" and the "Morning Watch Calendar" make splendid gifts. Send these to your friends and they will be a help to them all during the year. Prompt attention will be given to any order. Do not delay.

"Testimonies on Sabbath School Work" and the *Sabbath School Worker* are to be used as helps in the Teacher's Training Course next year. The course is to begin in January, and the outline for the first month will appear in that issue of the Worker. You should send your order now for the *Sabbath School Worker* and the little book, so you can begin your course the very first day of the new year.

The Greenville church has been very faithful in its missionary activities this year, and many good

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR THE SOUTHERN UNION

COLPORTEUR	Book	Hrs.	Ord	Value	Helps	Mag.	No	Value	Total	Dpl.
ALABAMA, WEEK ENDING NOV. 30. H. E. McClure, <i>Field Secretary.</i>										
W. H. Harbolt	RJ	48					W 17	17.00	1.75	203.00
T. Hilderbrandt	HW	32		38.00	.25				38.25	
Amos W. Nelson	HW	13			16.50				16.50	
Totals		93		38.00	16.75		17	17.00	56.50	203.00
ALABAMA, WEEK ENDING DEC. 7. H. E. McClure, <i>Field Secretary.</i>										
W. M. Abbott (2)	HW	60		38.50					38.50	.25
H. T. Barnhart	BTS	48			62.25				62.25	40.75
T. W. Atchley	GC	31	15	50.50	13.65				67.15	
T. Hilderbrandt	HW	30		29.50	1.25				61.50	1.25
R. D. Capps	DR	23								57.25
G. S. Holland (2)	BPS	40		56.25					59.75	6.50
A. W. Nelson	HW	9			14.50				14.50	
Totals		241	15	174.75	91.65				303.65	106.00
LA.-MISS., WEEK ENDING NOV. 30. C. A. Boykin, <i>Field Secretary.</i>										
Mrs. A. L. Allison	HW	18			31.50				31.50	
Mrs. B. M. Bee	BPS	26			59.25				59.25	30.50
Matthew Brownlie	HW	44			38.75				38.75	3.25
Harry Hansen	BPS	50			127.50				127.50	42.55
Mrs. Mallette	OD	13			16.25				16.25	1.25
C. E. Stewart	BF		6	20.50					20.50	
Mrs. M. Sutton	BTS	13			14.75				14.75	1.75
<i>Colored</i>										
Elies Batson	OD	12			1.25				1.25	9.50
Mrs. Susie Kelly		4			14.00				14.00	.20
L. H. Taylor	HW				14.50				14.50	
A. J. Williams	HW				5.00				5.00	
Totals		180	6	20.50	322.75				343.25	89.00
LA.-MISS., WEEK ENDING DEC. 7. C. A. Boykin, <i>Field Secretary.</i>										
Mrs. B. M. Bee	BPS	42			97.75	W 3	2.25	100.00		
Matthew Brownlie	HWB	36			12.50				12.50	62.25
R. R. Coble	GC	14	7	28.00					28.00	
Mrs. A. L. Creed	HWB									15.25
Luke Galjour	RJ	50	6	18.00	63.00				81.00	
Mrs. E. F. Pickett	OT	46			33.50				33.50	18.75
<i>Colored</i>										
Birdie Hamblet	Crises	8								4.00
Vesterorie Goodson	HWB	7			1.75				1.75	1.60
Mrs. Susie Kelly	HWB	16			34.25				34.25	4.30
M. Lister	RJ	25			2.25				5.25	6.25
L. J. McElroy	RJ	9							3.00	3.50
Jessie Patterson	OD	12			3.75				3.75	11.00
Totals		266	13	46.00	248.75		3	2.25	303.00	126.90
TENN.-RIVER, WEEK ENDING DEC. 7. R. E. Bascom, <i>Field Secretary.</i>										
W. J. Mercer	PG,HW	189		25.25					25.25	353.65
M. Merriweather (2)	BML	104	75	147.25					147.25	97.20
R. E. Wilson	PG	76	15	75.00					75.00	20.00
Carroll Ross	HW	31		27.25					27.75	5.40
Miss E. Flippen	BML			23.75					23.75	
C. H. Chenault	DR,BR	48	2	9.00	8.00	W 2	2.00	19.00	19.00	11.00
Mrs. Edwards	BML			16.00					16.00	
F. W. Schmehl	HW	9			10.00				10.00	
Mrs. Lessie Goldsby										2.00
Wm. O. Buchanan	BML	45			1.75				1.75	
Totals		502	92	323.50	19.75		2	2.00	345.25	489.25

experiences are the results of the work of these faithful members. Sister A. J. Williams received a splendid letter from one of the prisoners on the Parchman farm. Expressions of appreciation and gratitude are written for the new light that has come to him. He states that he has given his heart to God, and asks the church to pray for him that his light will shine out to others and lead lost souls to the Saviour. Surely the efforts of this church in visiting this place were worth while. Let this be an example for others to follow, as there are many precious souls who are just waiting for us to bring them the truth that brings cheer to our hearts.

COLPORTEUR NEWS

The Christmas books are going right along. The weather has been favorable for the past few days, and many have taken advantage of this and have sold quite a few home workers' books. Sister Allison at Talawah has been doing fine. She finds a ready response from many of her friends. Brother Hansen at Vicksburg has been using the new "Bible Pictures and Stories" set, and has met with good success. We are very glad to have Brother Hansen on our colporteur list. He comes to us from one of the northern conferences. We are expecting him to make us a good worker.

The field, I am sure, will be glad to know that Brother Coble, former field secretary of Alabama, has by no means given up the book work. At present he is going forward with "Great Controversy" down near Lake Charles, La. Before Brother Coble went to South America as a missionary, he labored in this conference, in the locality where he is now working. We feel grateful to have Brother Coble unite with us in helping to establish a stronger bookman's army.

The holiday books are usually 100 per cent deliveries. Sister Creed of Alexandria, La., where Brother and Sister Matt Brownlie are working, has a report sent in as a 100 per cent delivery for Christmas books. We feel sure Sister Creed enjoys her book work, since finding deliveries so good.

COLPORTEUR	Book	Hrs.	No.	Value	Helps	Mag.	No.	Value	Total	Del.
KENTUCKY, WEEK ENDING DEC. 7. I. O. Wallace, <i>Field Secretary.</i>										
E. B. Whittier	RJ	42	23	69.00				32.50	101.50	4.00
Thelma Allen (2)	HW	28						6.25	6.25	25.25
Mrs. J. W. Lloyd (2)	HW	26						8.75	8.75	43.25
Mrs. A. Riggs	OT	11	1	4.00			1.50		5.50	4.00
Mary Riley	BML	10					8.00		8.00	6.00
Lucille Swain	BML	10					6.00		6.00	3.50
Carl Romans	BR	6								11.00
Mrs. W. H. Tegeler	HW	4					11.50		11.50	9.00
Mrs. J. Murchison	BPS	2	3	15.00					15.00	
Mrs. C. B. Allison	HW	1					4.00		4.00	7.00
Mrs. Jewel Druin										2.25
<i>Colored</i>										
C. D. Minnis	GC	30	2	13.00					13.00	14.50
Mrs. J. B. Mallory	HW	9					5.00		5.00	
Totals		179	29	101.00	83.50				184.50	129.75
Union Grand Totals		1461	155	702.75	783.12	22	21.25	1536.15	1143.90	

Our colored laity are taking hold of the home workers' books, too. At Greenville Sister Susie Kelly is not only selling them herself, but is instrumental in getting others to join her as she goes out to meet the people. Sisters Mattie Lee and Goodson, also one of the Junior girls, Miss Louise Stewart, have been helped by Sister Kelly.

C. A. Boykin.

views of our publishing houses in that field, and related interesting incidents connected with the work of our South American colporteurs.

Sunday evening, December 8, a musical recital was given in the chapel by the students in piano, voice and violin. The various numbers were enjoyed by the audience, while those who appeared on the program received a training in appearing in public.

The Collegedale Correspondence Band makes it possible for two hundred souls to receive weekly reading matter on some phase of our message. This band of twelve members meets each Friday evening soon after the beginning of the Sabbath. We are happy to begin the Sabbath in this way.

Present Truth has been chosen to send out this year, using numbers which will, by the end of the year, give the reader a knowledge of our fundamental truths. It is our custom to send two letters during the year, one at the beginning, then another at mid-year, to ascertain if the reader is interested, and if he cares for literature on any certain subjects. The responses to these letters are very interesting, the greater number being favorable. One young school teacher says, "When I have finished reading your little paper, it is sent to my father and mother; then when they have finished, it goes to the neighbors."

But the blessing does not come alone to the reader of these papers, for we feel greatly blessed in having the privilege of doing a small work for the Master.

There is a live wire at Collegedale. It is known as the Sunshine Band, because it scatters sunshine everywhere. The help which is gained from the weekly meetings is put into practice every day by each Sunbeam, caring for the sick, helping the needy and cheering the weary. Two story hours are observed each week to help the children better understand the love of Jesus and the way of life. One of these is for the children of our Sabbath school. The other hour is spent with the children of a neighboring family. The mother in this family has recently begun the observance of the Sabbath. Every Sunday several members of the band spend an hour with these children, reading to them from our excellent juvenile books, and teaching them to sing gospel songs. This is part of the training one receives at Collegedale.

Brother and Sister W. I. Coleman, recently from Chicago, were weekend visitors at Collegedale, December 6 and 7. Brother Coleman occupied the time of the Y. P. M. V. meeting on Sabbath afternoon.

Workers in the farm department are toiling early and late these pleasant days in a strong drive to get the rest of the corn crop under cover; so the hum of the corn shredder is heard of late far beyond the usual working hours. May the good weather last till they finish their task.

"Christ might have occupied the highest place among the teachers of the Jewish nation, but he preferred rather to take the gospel to the poor. He went from place to place, that those in the highways and byways might hear the words of truth."

"Of the million who die every month in China, only about nine die as Christians, so far as man can judge. Yet they all have souls, and who can tell the value of a human soul?"

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COLLEGEDALE NOTES

Prof. C. W. Irwin, of the General Conference Educational Department, visited Collegedale on Sabbath, December 7, and spoke in the chapel at the Sabbath service. He brought a message of hope and cheer from the world-wide field, and of encouragement for the young people in training in our school.

Elder W. W. Eastman, representing the Publishing Department of the General Conference, was a recent visitor at Collegedale. Evening after Sabbath, Dec. 7, he gave an illustrated lecture in the College chapel, on the publishing work in South America. He showed stereop-

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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION

Inquiries are beginning to come to us relative to the session of the General Conference to be held in San Francisco May 29 to June 16, 1930.

If there are those who are planning to attend this meeting, we will be glad to hear from them and give them information concerning rates and routes.

The railroads will furnish a special car to fifteen or more persons. The representatives of various lines are soliciting our business for that meeting, but in order to enjoy the privileges offered by a special car there must be a sufficient number to warrant the railroads in providing the same.

There are several very large conventions held at approximately the same time as our meeting, and unless we can give definite orders in advance, we shall experience difficulty in obtaining the equipment most suitable to our needs.

We request that you give prompt attention to this matter and write to us at the Union Conference office if you are interested.

Burton Castle.

To everyone who offers himself to the Lord for service, withholding nothing, is given power for the attainment of measureless results.—“Test.,” Vol. VII, p. 30.

COLPORTEUR INSTITUTE DATES

Kentucky, white, January 20 to 29.
Alabama, white, February 4 to 13.
La.-Miss., white, February 16 to 25.
Tenn. River, white, February 27 to March 8.
La. -Miss., colored, March 17 to 26.

HARVEST INGATHERING REPORT

December 7, 1929

Alabama	\$6,947.53	8.18	per cap
Kentucky	5,346.00	6.21	” ”
La.-Miss.	5,947.00	5.51	” ”
Tenn. Riv.	8,734.75	6.85	” ”
Union	26,975.28	6.64	” ”
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will all want to read Prof. Arthur W. Spalding's, “Have You Introduced Your Child To God?” which will appear in the January color *Signs*. A fine article to pass on to neighbors and friends. Only four cents each in lots of ten or more to one address. Ask your Bible House secretary for a liberal supply.

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If the churches expect strength, they must live the truth God has given them.—“Test.,” Vol. VI, p. 371.

“Those who decide to do nothing in any line that will displease God will know, after presenting their case before Him, just what course to pursue. And they will receive not only wisdom, but strength.”