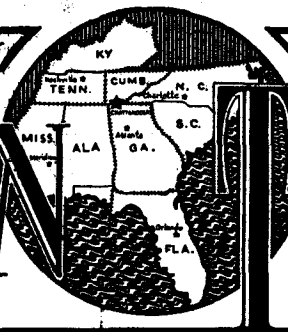


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## *Paying as We Go*

*S. A. Ruskjer*

That Seventh-day Adventists should shun debt as they would leprosy, is a principle we have all heard repeated often. But are we really shunning debt in this day of fast living and great cost of high living, as we would shun leprosy?

One can purchase most anything he may desire in this day and age on the instalment plan, if he just has enough money to make a small initial payment. Nearly all piano companies sell their product on the instalment plan. The same thing is true of automobiles; and more recently it has become true of even wearing apparel, to say nothing about radios, electric washing machines, etc.

After all has been said that can be said in favor of the instalment plan, it must be recognized in the end that that plan is a disappointing one. The easy payment plan makes it so easy for us to get in debt by making purchases that are away beyond our means. If a man has \$150 saved up with which to purchase a piano, it would seem far wiser for him to buy the very best instrument that he can obtain for that figure, than to go to work and buy a \$650 instrument, paying only \$150 down on it, and mortgage his monthly pay check to the extent of perhaps \$25 per month for the next year and a half. Or if a man has \$250 saved up to invest in an automobile, and feels he absolutely must have a motor vehicle, would it not be wiser for him to buy the very best used car that his \$250 will purchase and pay for, rather than to use the \$250 as the initial payment on a \$1,250 car, with the remaining \$1,000 to be paid at the rate of \$25 a month, covering over three years of future time?

The writer believes that the way to really enjoy the use of the things we purchase, is to know they are paid for in full before we begin to use them. Many a man has found himself in a very perplexing situation financially just because he made purchases before he was really ready and able to do so financially. The "pay as you go" plan is, after all, the only safe and satisfying plan. The man who pays his bills as he goes is usually the one who is prepared to

take the lead in the giving of offerings to missions and in the support of home needs.

With the reduction in income, emphasis is given to the need of so curtailing our expenditure that we shall live within our income. Leprosy usually brings death. Indebtedness has killed many a church member. There isn't anything that will discourage a man more quickly than when he finds himself hopelessly involved financially.

With careful management, the average man in God's cause of today should be able to obtain the absolute necessities of life, and pay his bills as he goes.

### A GOOD EXAMPLE

While at Cleveland, Tennessee, recently, I was inspired by the example of one of our isolated believers. Sister Tena Grant Gilmore is seventy-six years old and was born a slave. I asked her, "Have you started your Harvest Ingathering this year?" "Oh, yes," she replied; "I haven't been away from the house yet, but I have written fourteen letters and have eleven dollars." She showed me one of her replies which reads as follows:

"I have your letter of September 2, and I am inclosing my personal check for \$10 to be used in your work any way you see fit. Yours very truly."

The last two years this sister raised an average of \$90 per year, and her grand total for Harvest Ingathering is nearing the \$1,000 mark. A great deal of her work is done through correspondence, and then by following it up with a personal visit. She uses the letter-packet envelope as supplied by the conferences.

What a grand work could be accomplished if every Seventh-day Adventist would do what he or she could. Don't substitute correspondence for your past personal work, however. Combine the two and thus increase the results.

At Augusta, Georgia, recently I assisted the church for a few days. The business men responded

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## WILLS AND LEGACIES

Make wills and legacies to the Southern Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

to the calls and gave more willingly and liberally than last year, I was told. A singing band was organized and resulted in good success. The entire business district has been divided among four band leaders, with the intent of soliciting every business house and office in Augusta. Others are concentrating on the residential territory. The church had solicited \$25 before I left, which was a good start. Watch Augusta climb to its goal. Within two blocks from the church, a man told the solicitor for the singing band that he wanted literature on the Sabbath question. Others met the solicitors with tears in their eyes, telling of their deep appreciation for the work done.

The following statement is found in "Christian Service," page 66: "Students who have learned to sing sweet gospel songs with melody and distinctness, can do much good as singing evangelists, . . . singing to those who seldom have church privileges. Go out into the highways and hedges. Endeavor to reach the higher as well as the lower classes. Not many will refuse to listen. Such ministry is genuine missionary work."

Let me urge you again to do your part in Harvest Ingathering. The calls are urgent. There are honest in heart in your conference longing for the truth. Will you help to search for them?

V. G. Anderson.

## SOME QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Why shouldn't I send my child to the public school? I went to the public school, and I am told that the public school is better today than ever before. Answer: "In planning for the education of their children outside the home, parents should realize that *it is no longer safe* to send them to the public school."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, p. 205.

2. Why is it "no longer safe"? Answer: "Satan has used the most ingenious methods to weave his plans and principles into the systems of education, and thus gain a strong hold on the minds of the children and youth." "Philosophical speculation and scientific research in which God is not acknowledged are making skeptics of thousands. In the schools of today the conclusions that learned men have reached as the result of their scientific investigations, are carefully taught and explained; while the impression is distinctly given that if these learned men are correct, the Bible cannot be. Skepti-

cism is attractive to the human mind. The youth see in it an independence that captivates the imagination, and they are deceived." "In the education of children and youth, fairy tales, myths, and fictitious stories are now given a large place. Books of this character are used in schools. . . . The wide-spread use of such books at this time is one of the cunning devices of Satan." "Is it the Lord's purpose that false principles, false reasoning, and the sophistries of Satan should be kept before the mind of our youth and children? . . . God forbid."—*Id.* p. 127; "Counsels," pp. 377, 384; "Fundamentals of Christian Education," pp. 175, 176.

3. Are these false theories to be found in the common school? Answer: "Notwithstanding the fact that Darwinism is no longer believed in the circles in which it originated, its influence for harm was never so great as now. The reason is that the theory has found its way into the theological seminaries, and into the schoolbooks of the children, where it is doing the deadly and truly devilish work of discrediting. . . . the statements of the Word of God."—*"Evolution at the Bar,"* by Philip Mauro.

4. But surely these theories are to be found only in some subjects, and have no part in teacher training. Answer: "First, let us observe an important implication with respect to the science of education. Since education in the school, that is, the scholastic phase of the educational process, is but a continuation of the evolutionary process beginning with the remotest ancestor of the child, the foundation of a science of education must lie in a knowledge of this process from beginning to end, that is to say, in a knowledge of the organic, psychic and social evolution of man. The evolution of a child individually and racially is biological, psychic and social. These are the phases of evolution which are involved in the educational process. Biology, psychology and sociology are the sciences which are devoted to the study of these three phases of evolution. They are therefore the sciences which provide the necessary data for a science of education. They are the foundation stones upon which any permanent science or philosophy of education must be erected."—*Howerth's "The Theory of Education,"* a textbook used in teachers' colleges. The modern teacher, trained in a worldly institution, is thoroughly indoctrinated with modern theories of evolution as a part of her equipment for teaching.

5. What counsel, therefore, is sounded to mothers and fathers who wish their children saved in the kingdom of God? Answer: "To parents He sends the warning cry, Gather your children into your own houses; gather them away from those who are disregarding the commandments of God, who are teaching and practicing evil. Get out of the large cities as fast as possible. Establish church schools."—*"Testimonies,"* Vol. 6, p. 195.

6. What place has a church school as a part of the equipment of every church? Answer: "Not only should a humble house of worship be erected, but all the necessary arrangements should be made for

the permanent establishment of the church school . . . The schoolroom is needed just as much as is the church building."—*Id.*, p. 109.

7. What is the parents' responsibility? Answer: "Upon fathers and mothers devolves the responsibility of giving a Christian education to the children intrusted to them. . . . They are not to allow their children to slip out of their grasp into the hands of unbelievers."—"The Church School Question" (*Brown Leaflet*) by Mrs. E. G. White.

8. What answer will Seventh-day Adventist parents, who still permit their children to go into the world for their education, make to the great God, who at the end shall ask, "Where is thy flock, thy beautiful flock?" You answer.

Alfred W. Peterson.

### THE SINGING BAND WAY

Someone recently asked me, "What is the easiest and most pleasant way to raise Harvest Ingathering money?" I replied, "The singing band way." The pleasant associations in the singing band, the freedom of the open, and the cheering remarks of the people, push singing band work right up to the top of the list.

The telephone may be used to advantage. One sister has secured more than \$100 merely by calling up and talking to friends over the telephone. The singing band brings a solicitor face to face with the prospect, and gives him wonderful help and support as he makes his appeal.

Letters go out by the thousands each year, conveying the Ingathering appeal, and they bring in hundreds of dollars; but with the singing bands there is not the wondering if the paper reached the proper hands, nor is there the long wait for a reply.

The work of going from house to house is a wonderful message-spreading means, which gathers in many little bits; and best of all this kind of soliciting prepares the way for the singing band that comes in the evening, when so many people are at home, and willing to be entertained.

Many are the stores and offices that I have entered a-Harvest Ingathering, and how my soul does thrill with each new surprise when business men hand out their money to be spent in helping others. Isn't it wonderful? But by the singing band you take a double message, make a dual appeal, and the people feel that they receive their money's worth.

We were singing on the street in Savannah one night, handicapped by a noisy group of ragged boys and girls, who trailed our workers and seemed intent on drowning out the music, which somehow brought the accustomed success to our solicitors. In turning a corner we walked by a burly policeman, who wanted to know "What's all this about?" I told him simply, "The missionary band is out singing for missions, you want to help us, I am sure." He smiled a broad, friendly smile saying, "Sure thing," as he placed a twenty-five-cent piece in my hand. I thanked him, and he said, "Come up-

stairs with me right here." A few men were seated at tables. The policeman said, "Pass around the hat, boys; here's a gentleman collecting money for the church." One of the number did as he was told, emptying into my hands something over \$4. I thanked them all, and invited the entire group to attend our church services the coming Sunday night.

For over two blocks a woman in Knoxville pursued our solicitors one cold night to request that the singers return to her home, some distance back, and sing for her son, who was sick in bed. We went, and though the lady had given at first she did so again, and two children also added dimes taken from their banks.

At another time a young woman in a car pursued our workers over the neighborhood to give the solicitor a dollar, explaining that she couldn't come down when the appeal was made at her house because she had already gone to bed, but continuing to hear the music she threw a dressing gown about herself, borrowed a friend's car and pursued the group in order to make an offering.

Select for your singing bands the best talent available, and have these workers get together and practice over the old songs; and by the way, in most instances people appreciate such songs as "Sweet By and By"; "Shall we gather at the river," etc.

One of the prime essentials of singing band work is that there be a leader to the band whose instructions are unquestionably followed. Let there be one leader. He should have the route for the evening fully outlined in his mind, so that no time be lost in debating which way to go.

It is unwise to rush, and still it is not necessary to stop at corners or other places unless requested to do so. The ideal band is made up of eight singers and four solicitors, with one person to aid the solicitors, that they don't get confused in the darkness, wondering where the other worker has gone. The band then walks slowly down the street, singing as they go. The captain carries a flashlight and song book, and leads out at the start of every stanza, thus avoiding uncertainty and confusion. It is impracticable in this kind of work for each singer to have a light and song book, but of course if he doesn't know the songs, better have the book. It is well to start early, not later than 6:30, and continue until 9:30. These hours bring the best results and do not exhaust the workers. However, where special singing is done during Christmas week, workers may well continue until as late as 10:30 in sections where people remain up later.

If a few reed instruments are available, they will help, provided the players have practised with the singers beforehand; but if the use of the instrument means the loss of a good singer, keep the singer.

In some places it may be necessary to secure a police permit. However, this is not usually the case; and where the requirement should be met, it ought not to be difficult to obtain if the proper persons seek to secure it.

This year's Ingathering work will require careful planning, much prayer, faithful, united effort, and persistence. Thus will God add His blessing and cause a rich flow of funds through our hands into His own mission treasury.

R. G. Strickland.

**THREE REASONS WHY EVERY SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST IN THE SOUTHERN UNION SHOULD ENGAGE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF "THE COMING KING"**

1. Through the sale of this volume, the one to whom the book is sold will receive wonderful light and help in the study of the Scriptures, which may result in saving a soul or a family in the kingdom of God.

2. Our training school at Collegedale needs the financial aid that comes to it from the sale of this splendid volume.

3. You, personally, need the help that comes from this well written, attractive, message-filled, revised edition of "The Coming King."

I wish to emphasize point number three, for I am sure the other points have been covered fully by other writers. May I suggest that you first get a copy and then follow me from page to page as we call attention to some of the high lights. The introductory chapters are splendid—"The Creator," "The Created," "The Redeemer," "The Gospel in the Old Testament," "The Leader of Israel," "The Great Teacher," as well as the chapters on the death and atonement of Christ. This is just what the world needs in these days of skepticism, infidelity and doubt.

Calvin, Baxter, John Knox, Latimer and Ridley, are among the reformers who looked forward to the second coming of Christ. (Pages 170, 171.)

Here is an interesting point as to the immense size of the stones of the temple of which Jesus said: "There shall not be left here one stone upon another that shall not be thrown down." Josephus states these stones were 50 feet long, 24 feet broad, and 16 feet thick. (Page 75.)

"Destruction of Jerusalem." Jesus curses the fig tree. (Page 81.) There is a lesson in this "acted parable" for every Seventh-day Adventist. Read the signs in the clouds, sky and temple just preceding the destruction of the city. Hear the voice of that strange being who for seven years ceased not to warn the city of its impending doom. (Page 98.)

Read about the faithful martyrs who remained true to Christ in spite of the most terrible forms of persecution during the Dark Ages. (Pages 107, 108.)

We are more or less familiar with the signs in the sun, moon and stars, but read them again and gain a new inspiration.

Just a few pertinent facts from the chapter, "Abounding Iniquity." On page 140, Judge Marcus Kavanaugh, of Chicago, makes this vivid assertion: "However much it hurts to hear the truth, the

situation obliges its utterance. Within twenty-five years the United States has become the richest and most powerful, the most lawless and the most law-ridden country on earth."

Read further: Judge Kavanaugh shows that in a recent year 12,000 people were murdered; 39,000 were robbed; and 32,000 had their homes broken into. Add to this the fact that we have a criminal army of 350,000 preying upon our country.

Other facts: Calvin Coolidge declares the American people are forced to pay one eighth of their total income each year for crime; the surgeon-general of the United States Public Health Service states there are 1,000,000 moral lepers in our country; while it is said there are 1,000,000 illicit users of dope.

The movies are the cause of more juvenile delinquency than any other active cause. Read the clear-cut portrayal of this evil on pages 147—149.

Divorce is rapidly on the increase. In 1900 there was one divorce for every fifteen marriages. Today it is one out of six. If the divorces continue at the present rate of increase, soon we shall have one divorce to every marriage.

The average age of criminals convicted of major crimes has dropped from 35 to 40 to a new low level, 20 to 25.

America spends \$2,500,000,000 annually on tobacco; 123,000,000,000 cigarettes were produced last year in the United States, an average of 1,000 for every man, woman and child. If placed end to end, these cigarettes would make a line 5,338,542 miles long, and would reach to the moon and back 11 times! (Page 153.)

"The Church Apostatizing." Ministers deny the virgin birth, the miracles, the vicarious death, the resurrection of Jesus. Take these major themes out of the Bible, and what do we have left? (Page 157.)

"Famines," "Pestilences and Earthquakes," "Storms and Tidal Waves." People say we are too pessimistic. "Haven't we always had these disasters?" they ask. But listen: these chapters show that we have had the two greatest famines, the two greatest earthquakes, the greatest pestilence, the world has ever seen, since the World War! (Pages 158—182.)

The world is on the verge of another war more terrible than the recent World War, in spite of the fact that we are having peace treaties signed, peace pacts and peace conferences. Strange paradox. (Pages 194—215.)

"There is no truth of Scripture to which so much prominence is given as that of the second coming of Christ. The New Testament is especially eloquent upon this subject, over three hundred references to it being found upon its pages." (Page 307.)

All this being so, should we not study with greater diligence and prepare for that great day? Here is a work that will help you. If you long for a deeper Christian experience, for a closer walk with God, if you long to know the Bible better and Jesus better as your personal Saviour, and long to meet Him in

peace when He comes, "The Coming King" will help you.

Get a copy today. Read it through carefully, then go out and place it in the hands of your friends, loved ones, and neighbors, and thus confer a three-fold blessing,—upon yourself, the ones to whom the book is sold, and to our Christian training school, Southern Junior College. J. E. Lippart.

### HELPFUL MATTER IN THE "REVIEW"

Every one acknowledges that the best way to convince a man of this truth is to begin the presentation of our message with something that the prospect already believes. Thus by starting out on common ground there is more likelihood of keeping together as the other thoughts are unfolded one by one, until the greatness and sublimity of the third angel's message looms up in unmitakable truth.

In the *Review*, beginning with the issue of September 8, Elder F. D. Nichol will set before our people a rare opportunity to win for Christ, many honest in heart who now know not the tidings for these last days. Elder Nichol's articles appear under the caption, "The Sunday School Lesson and the Ten Commandments." As some may have concluded, these lessons will discuss the recent Sunday school lessons on the decalogue; and Brother Lawry informs us that "some very striking statements concerning the law and the Sabbath are given in these lessons, which are used by virtually all Protestant churches throughout the country. Our workers will find here new, strong quotations to use in connection with their presentation of the law and the Sabbath."

At our recent camp meeting hundreds resorted to the big tent to hear those wonderful studies on the sanctuary. These dear ones will be glad to know that the *Review* is going to publish a series of articles from the pen of W. E. Read, dealing with this vital subject in a most illuminating way. "The series is one of the best on the subject that the *Review* has had the privilege of printing in a long period of time. The articles are written in a clear, logical, yet simple and spiritual style. Every main feature of the sanctuary question will be dealt with."

Those Seventh-day Adventists who were denied the blessed privilege of camp meeting will eagerly devour the good things spread out here on the Lord's table in the columns of the church paper. No one will want to miss these feasts of spiritual nourishment and mental enlightenment. Can any believer afford to be willfully in the dark on these two vital subjects, when all the glorious flood of light is made possible to him simply by reading the paper that goes into the homes of Seventh-day Adventists before all other periodicals? Of course we have much to read in these days of much printing; but, brethren and sisters, read the *Review* first, and then, after your souls have been watered with the dew of divine

favor so gently distilled by this heavenly agency, there will be time to peruse other columns. It is desired, most earnestly, that as a united people we will avail ourselves of the blessing in store in these splendid discussions beginning September 8 in the *Review*. Perhaps God somehow will use us, possessing this knowledge, as a means by which some hearts will be touched and led to accept present truth.

R. G. Strickland.

### THE FOUNDATION OF ALL

We are thinking of the Sabbath school, that oldest specific department of the church—thinking of the great good the Sabbath school has accomplished, of the knowledge of the Scriptures gained through this medium, of the millions of dollars raised for missions through the Sabbath school. Then, too, we're thinking of the Home Missionary and the Missionary Volunteer Departments, and of their great value to the denomination. The school work also comes to mind. How many, many souls have been saved through the medium of our splendid system of schools! What should we do without these wonderful agencies, given us by an all-wise Father for the perfecting of the church?

Have the parents stopped to reason that the work done in the home underlies *all* the rest? Shall we not study what this means? Please consider carefully page 349 of "Ministry of Healing," and resolve that your home shall be a better, stronger one than it ever has been, that the opportunities afforded there shall be used, not neglected. Probably you have conscientiously done the best you knew how all the way along. Then it seems necessary to study further to learn more about the care, discipline, and teaching of the children. Why not decide at once to learn all you can about this most interesting and important subject, the subject that should lie nearer our hearts than any other?

At the headquarters office it has been a common occurrence to receive letters which read about like this: "Oh, if I could only have had the opportunities for study twenty-five years ago, when my children were little, that I have now, how different they might have been!"

Here is a word from Florida: "I have a number of books on baby care, but this 'All About the Baby' is by far the best book of its kind that I have ever seen—so very complete, and written in such an attractive manner. To me it is a regular gold mine." One from Michigan said of this same book: "It has saved me many dollars already."

Another from Canada: "I was certainly impressed, as I studied, with my responsibility as a mother. My husband assures me that our home is filled with a greater spirit of love and tenderness since we studied 'Makers of the Home.'"

From the Northwest: "I wish to express appreciation in behalf of our society for these wonderful lessons that have been prepared for us. The Mothers'

Society has meant everything to me. It has given me a new vision, a desire to be all that God would have me to be. If only *all* the mothers would become interested!"

And we can't help saying "Amen" to that. If the younger mothers only knew just what this means to them, they would seek help. We have often wished that just such a vision might be given to young parents as is furnished by a background of experience of rearing children to manhood and womanhood. Experience is too dear a teacher. Why not learn from the experience of others?

We cannot shift *our* responsibility as parents to any other agency of the church. All these are helps; but since these children are *ours*, we are responsible. We must remember, "The work of parents underlies every other. . . . The well-being of society, the success of the church, the prosperity of the nation, depend upon home influences."

At the General Conference office, we should be glad to do all we can to help. Ask for further explanation of the work, from the Home Commission, General Conference, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

### DO YOU ADMIRE THIS GIRL?

"After all these months of uncertainty, of working, planning, hoping, and sometimes even doubting, at last I'm going to school."

"Good, splendid! I'm just happy for you."

"You don't need to be, for I can't contain any more happiness. School begins at—Academy in just two weeks, and I'll be there right on deck."

This was on September 1. A happier girl you never saw. But—this is a world of uncertainties. Something happened. I need not go into details. Disappointment stalked into the life of this fine, enthusiastic young woman. She was not at Academy on the opening day. Neither will she be there this year. Disappointed?—Yes. Discouraged?—No. She is made of better stuff.

"If I can't go to school this year, I'll do the next best thing. The school must come to me."

"I do admire your grit. But just what do you mean?" I thought I knew, and hoped I should hear exactly what I did.

"I'm going to take work through the Home Study Institute. That's what I'm going to do. Fold my arms and put my mind to bed just because I can't go to school? I should say not!" And a foot came down on the floor with a thump by way of emphasis or punctuation. "I'll do my best. And I'll stick to it, too. See if I don't. And they'll accept my credits, and next year—"

Oh, the courage, the zeal, the optimism of youth! What this girl is doing, scores of others, disappointed it may be as she was, can do. The right combination of desire and determination will do the trick. Try it and see for yourself. The investment of one cent in a postal card addressed

to the Home Study Institute, Takoma Park, D. C., may be multiplied to you like the loaves and the fishes of long ago.

C. A. Russell.

### "GOOD NEWS"

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### REACH THE PEOPLE

"Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass till all these things be fulfilled." In the same discourse the Saviour gave us the lesson of the talents. If we do not use our talents as God desires that we should, we are to experience a sad day by and by.

We are 99 years in the generation which shall see the return of our blessed Saviour. Why do we not heed the Master's call to service? The Lord wants to employ the eleventh hour idlers, and He says to those who respond, "And whatsoever is right I will pay thee." It is right for a laborer to receive a living, and this is promised.

"Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which have neither storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls?" Luke 12: 24.

"Let those who know the truth arouse out of sleep, and make every effort to reach the people that are around them. The work of the Lord must no longer be neglected and made secondary to other interests."—"Colporteur Evangelist," p. 30.

My brother, sister, upon whom the Lord is laying a burden for souls, why not write us to 1703 24th Avenue, Meridian, Mississippi, and get all necessary information regarding the colporteur work, and get started in this great soul-winning ministry? This literature evangelism affords wonderful possibilities for effectively reaching the people where they are.

"From the light given me I know that where there is one canvasser in the field there should be one hundred."—*Id.*, p. 7.

"The vineyard is large, and the Lord is calling for laborers. Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul-saving. The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls. Will you not try it?"—*Id.*, p. 33. C. H. Spurgeon.

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### OFFICE MAIL BAG

Every mail brings reports from Harvest Ingathering. Singing bands are at work. Business concerns are being solicited. Friends and neighbors are being visited. Personal solicitation from house to house is bringing in funds. Soliciting by mail produces results.

One brother writes: "While some are reducing their offerings this year, others are giving twice as much." From two of our cities comes the word: "The Harvest Ingathering work is taking on new life."

We are pleased to report that Elder E. F. Hack-

man, associate Home Missionary secretary of the General Conference, will spend a few days in our conference.

It is interesting to note that some who made pledges at camp meeting are meeting these at this time. We trust that all will plan to do so on or before November 30.

A prominent legislator from Alabama's capital has just sent in an inquiry concerning our literature especially bearing on the subject of religious liberty.

A gentleman, not of our faith, has just ordered four of our books to be sent to him C. O. D.

Burton Castle.

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### A COLPORTEUR'S EXPERIENCE

One of our colporteurs from southern Alabama related the following experience which he had recently:

"After getting orders from three Holiness preachers in the district in which I was canvassing, I came into a settlement of Congregationalists. I spent the night with some folks who were not interested in Bible topics. During our conversation that evening, the preacher's son was present, but showed very little interest in the Bible as we discussed some of the Bible points of salvation. But he went home, and the good report he carried to his father so touched his heart that when I came the next morning, the father seemed to fall in love with what I had.

"After I canvassed him for 'Daniel and Revelation,' the old preacher read the book while his boys fixed my car; and it so appealed to him that he went out with me and helped me take orders for a whole week. We took orders from nearly all his church members, also from a Holiness preacher. This man has been preaching for 56 years; and when I left him, he wrote out a recommendation in my prospectus, stating that he considers 'Daniel and Revelation' the best history and explanation he has ever seen, and that of the 500 books he has in his library, he considers this the best. He has offered to go with me to his many converts all over the country."

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## CAROLINA

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### A PURE CHURCH

Seventh-day Adventists have won for themselves the fairest name of any Christian body in all the world. It is not an uncommon thing to have natives of other lands designate us by the name of the "Clean Church." This, of course, comes about because of our stand on Christian temperance in all its phases; and this fair name, won for us by our forebears, we promised to help maintain when we united with the S. D. A. Church. So shall we not, "walk circum-

spectly" in these days of lowered standards, and thus be true to our covenant?

But we should never forget that, "the kingdom of God is not meat and drink." It is far more, for it embraces everything necessary to holy living.

In the closing days of our work, the Lord has promised to "cut it short in righteousness." And our attention was called, for the second time this year, through the Sabbath school lessons, to the need of repentance and purification of the church. Mal. 3: 1, 2.; "Testimonies," Vol. 5, pp. 80 and 216.

So then, if God is to have a pure church, and He has said emphatically that His seal would never be placed upon an impure man or woman, does it not become us to heed the voice of the true Witness to the Laodiceans? May the Lord help us as individuals to be "clean that bear the vessels of the Lord."

E. T. Wilson.

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### HARVEST INGATHERING NOTES

Four students from the Pisgah school spent five days on a Harvest Ingathering trip in South Carolina, and returned with \$100.31. The workers were Mrs. Ella Beavers, Edith White, Lillian Street, and Annie Hickman. Over 700 Ingathering papers were distributed.

The First Columbia church is again using the singing band method in house-to-house Harvest Ingathering. The people are just as willing to give as in former years. Elder Schleifer and Dr. Young are again successful in soliciting the business and professional people of the city.

September 10 was the official date for the beginning of the Harvest Ingathering in the Carolina Conference. The church treasurers are requested to mail their Ingathering reports to the conference office Monday morning of each week.

Sisters Kirvin and Anderson solicited around \$5 for missions from the people around the tobacco warehouse at Timmons ville, S. C.

H. W. Barto.

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### A TRIP AMONG OUR PEOPLE AND CHURCHES IN THE MOUNTAINS

Friday morning Elder Wilson, Brother Bowen, and the writer from the office, and Mrs. Mills Mooney of the Charlotte church, went to visit an isolated family living in the country near Patterson, N. C., and also to spend the Sabbath with two of our churches in the mountains, Valle Crucis and Banners Elk. We left Charlotte Friday morning, and solicited filling stations and places of business on the way for Harvest Ingathering, reaching the family, Brother and Sister Hill Ritch and children, just about an hour before sundown. Just as the sun was setting this family of four were buried with their Lord in baptism in the small pond just in front of their cottage home, a number of their neighbors and friends witnessing the service. This

was a very beautiful and impressive scene, one which will be long remembered.

After supper, though it was raining quite hard, all went over to the home of the grandparents, where about fifty young people and adults were gathered for a meeting, some of whom had come through the rain some distance on foot. Nearly every one present expressed the desire to be ready to see the Lord come in the clouds. After the meeting five were welcomed into the Conference church fellowship, including Grandfather Ritch, who was very ill at the time.

The next morning we had a little Sabbath school at 7: 30 at the home of the elderly people, several visitors being present, an attendance of about twenty in all. At this time Grandmother Ritch expressed her desire to go all the way with her husband and son and his family to the kingdom, stating that she knew the Seventh-day is the right day, and that she intended, with the Lord's help to keep it holy. We closed our Sabbath school after special prayer for the elderly gentleman. This was the first opportunity this family ever had of meeting with those of like faith, and we all felt blessed for this privilege.

After this meeting we drove up to Banners Elk, and arrived there in time to enjoy a part of their Sabbath school; Elder Wilson preached at the eleven o'clock hour. The little church was filled, and we were happily surprised to see the large number of young people present, who are enjoying the privilege of a church school training under Miss Olmstead as their teacher. The church school at Valle Crucis is also well under way, with Brother Clarence Wellman as teacher. Two more meetings were held that afternoon and night by Elder Wilson at the Valle Crucis church, and all were deeply impressed and benefited by the messages he gave.

On the way back the next morning we did some more soliciting for Harvest Ingathering, and though it was Sunday and many of the filling stations were closed, the Lord blessed our efforts with frequent small contributions. We found the people very friendly toward our cause, even though they had but little to give.

Alice M. Case.

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### CAROLINA NEWS NOTES

Elder J. S. Green is closing his tent effort at Greensboro, and held his first baptismal service, but by far the larger number is to be baptized yet, making in all more than thirty new members to be added to the Second Greensboro church.

Brother Ryles has closed his tent effort in Charlotte, and will have a baptismal service Oct. 8, at which time about fifteen new ones will be baptized and added to the Second Charlotte church, as a result of this effort by Brother Ryles and members of the church.

The union evangelistic effort being conducted by Brother Shuler in the city of Raleigh is well attended, and already quite an interest is being awakened, although they are in only the second week



of this meeting. Brother Shuler believes that a good church will be raised up in the capital city of North Carolina. Shall we not all pray to this end?

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## FLORIDA

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### OUR PRESENT DUTY AND PRIVILEGE

As Seventh-day Adventists we believe that in the closing work of the message, God will do a very special work in righteousness. All the promises of the latter rain will be fulfilled. The Holy Spirit will be poured out in an abundant measure, and by thousands of voices over the land the message will be given in power.

World conditions today in the light of prophecy prove without a question or doubt that Jehovah has set His hand to speedily finish the work. From all over the world, including the very darkest corners, calls come for means and workers to speed on the truth. Thousands upon thousands are crying to God for a better way, and that they may know His saving truth. Truly the Lord is going before us, and His Spirit is moving hearts over the earth to turn to Him.

What a pity it is that just now, when money is needed so much, finance is as low as it is. Because of lack of funds it has been necessary to reduce laboring forces not only in foreign lands, but also at home. Though salaries of workers in general have been materially reduced over the world field, and adjustments made by reducing the number of workers, yet it will require faithfulness in tithe, and liberality in mission offerings on the part of our people, to prevent still further reductions. Conditions challenge the faithfulness of all Seventh-day Adventists as to their loyalty to God and His truth.

Beginning next Sabbath the Florida Conference will launch the yearly Ingathering campaign. We believe that the Lord is calling in the wealth of the Gentiles to help finish the work. Somehow now in this time of crisis, we believe that the same Holy Spirit that stirs the hearts of men and women over the world to cry out for help to know the way, will move hearts, as we solicit means, to give liberally to assist the work.

Never was there greater need of financial support than now. The suggested individual goal is but \$10 for each person. Many more could make this goal, we are sure, if they would set their hearts to do so. If there ever was a time that a church member could console himself with the thought that things will go, and the message will prosper without his support, that time is not now. God is calling to every faithful soul to come up to His help in this hour of crisis.

The least one should think of doing in the way of

the Ingathering campaign this year is the \$10 goal. It is considerable work to secure one or two hundred dollars for the campaign under present financial conditions, but some will do that much or more. We are confident that the Lord is looking to every one of us to fully cooperate with Him in bringing in the wealth of the Gentiles this year. Let us respond willingly, and do everything possible to gather means to hasten the work.

A. S. Booth.

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### FLORIDA NEWS NOTES

Sabbath, September 17, was a day which will long be remembered by the church at St. Petersburg, Fla. At the morning service Elder Baum presented the need for becoming a member of the church, which is the body of Christ. At 3:30 nearly the entire congregation went to Blind Pass, on the Gulf of Mexico, where a very beautiful baptismal service took place, in which thirteen candidates participated. Most of the number were those who had come in through the tent meetings recently held by Elder Baum, assisted by Miss Helen Gruenke as Bible worker.

About sixteen years ago Sister J. A. P. Green spent several months in St. Petersburg, and made many warm friends among those who were members of the church at that time. Brother Green spoke in the church several times then, and all appreciated his return visit on Wednesday evening, when he told of experiences in the various fields in which he has labored since. He was accompanied by Brethren Kirk and Lippart.

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### FROM THE SECOND MIAMI CHURCH

The writer was asked by the Florida Conference committee to become pastor of the Second Miami church at the May camp meeting, 1931. Also to act as district leader of several small churches and companies in this part of the State.

Since then two tent meetings were held. The meeting last summer resulted in the addition of 32 members. This summer's tent effort closed a few days ago. So far 18 have been added by baptism to the congregation, making 50 added to the Miami church since coming here. There will doubtless be others who will take their stand for the truth as result of the follow-up work from the recent tent effort. In both these efforts, Sister Emily Beavers rendered excellent assistance in the Bible work.

The Second Miami church conducts a lively church school. Last year we started out with two teachers, but found it necessary because of finance to reduce to one. The school this year has started out in a good way. While it is a task to gather in the means to pay the teacher, yet we trust that somehow our members will be able to keep the teacher paid up each month. Our church now has a membership of 170.

We plan to fully organize the church members to

do our part in the Ingathering campaign. With us the campaign starts later in the year, but we trust that we shall be able to do better this year than last. Pray for the work in Miami. P. M. Boyd.

### A SUCCESSFUL EFFORT

Our meeting in Jacksonville closed Sunday night with fully a thousand to hear the last word from the Adventist preacher. We started in with a song service at 7:30 p. m., and closed with a health food demonstration at 11:30. The crowd never faded away. Many said we should move into another end of the city and continue until cold weather.

With good weather and a good attendance from the start, the Lord blessed us. We never lost a single night on account of the rain. We had a most desirable location. The city authorities had decreed that no more tents should be raised on that particular lot, but the written recommendation of the leading colored citizens of the place broke down that objection. After a few days, the city building inspector said our tent must come down. This situation too was overcome.

I began the effort by staging a civic, welfare and social service program. The next week I ran a series of revival lectures, with an anxious seat on the front row of chairs. This resulted in a hundred men and women signing cards, pledging to live a better life in the community. These first two weeks won the crowd which never broke until the final night of the eighth week. No handbills were scattered during the progress of the meetings. I filled in the last six weeks with sermons on the message. Forty-five persons publicly took their stand in the tent to keep the Sabbath,—all adults. Two hundred fifty more persons gave us their names and addresses for Bible studies in their homes. This is enough work this fall and winter for a dozen Bible workers. On our last night we gave a food demonstration after the sermon and the benediction. A thousand people were present.

Harold D. Singleton had as much as he could do, visiting none but the men. Sister Hankinson, the Bible worker, and Miss Graham, the organist, visited together, and to my visiting list were assigned the most important cases to search out and talk with. All four of us had a rich experience in the homes of the people, praying with them, opening the Scriptures, and scattering *Present Truth*.

We were extended invitations to speak in some of the outside churches on Sunday mornings. Of course we visited the churches whether we were to preach there or not; we took the Sunday morning hour for that. One or two of the pastors of the larger churches warned their flock lest we steal their sheep. We held a Sunday school under the tent each Sunday morning. This seemed wise because on two Sundays in August the S. S. lessons covered the law of God. We held a Sunday afternoon lyceum each Sunday at six p. m.; also a general Bible class each afternoon

during the week. Some remained after the Bible class to be present at the time of the night lecture.

Throughout the entire period of eight weeks our tent was preserved from all harm; not the smallest rip was made in it anywhere. Our guy ropes were of wire, our guy rope posts of heavy timber, placed deep in the ground. Our side pegs were sunk three and one-half feet in the ground, with a short cross bar nailed to the bottom end of the peg. The wind never disturbed a single one of them.

Pray now for the follow-up work which we have begun. There are many others who should step over the line and embrace the truth.

M. C. Strachan.

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## GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

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### SOUTH GEORGIA

The writer has just returned from a trip to south Georgia, the first stop being made at Albany. It was an encouragement to me to find a little church of splendid talent. There is no reason why the work in Albany should not grow stronger. One of the greatest factors in strengthening the work in Albany will be a church building. We hope something can be started along this line.

When arriving at Boston we found all things in readiness for a Sunday evening service, and it was my happy privilege to speak to a packed house. There is still a good outside interest at this place. Brother Sudduth is at present holding two cottage meetings a week in his neighborhood, and reports a large attendance at both meetings. Oh, how many of our good lay members might be doing the same thing! It is sadly true that such laborers are too few.

At Valdosta personal visits were made to our members who live there. I regretted to find a nice little church building in this fine little city with no meetings being held in it. We look forward to the day when the work in Valdosta can take on new life.

The next stop was at Waycross. Here many personal visits were made, and a good crowd of our people was out to the evening service. Good leadership is the great need at Waycross.

Two nights were spent at Tifton, with meetings each night in the homes of our people. Between these meetings the time was used in visiting Brother N. W. Daniel at Ty Ty, Brother and Sister Pruitt, and Sister Halpert, at Moultrie, and Brother and Sister Cromwell at Lenox, Ga. It was a real pleasure to meet with these dear people who very seldom see a conference worker. Brother and Sister Cromwell are very faithful in doing missionary work, sometimes walking eight and ten miles a day.

Leaving Tifton for Fitzgerald, I stopped at Ocilla to visit Sister Padgett and her daughters. At

Fitzgerald we enjoyed a blessed Sabbath day. We found that Brother Deyo had just moved Brother E. F. Fenner and family to this place. Brother Fenner is one of our most faithful colporteurs, and will be a blessing to the Fitzgerald church members, as well as helping to scatter the printed page in this section.

Leaving Fitzgerald for Atlanta I visited at the home of Sister P. E. Warren at Pineview, Ga. It was also my pleasure to meet Sister Brandt, who is teaching a home school for Sister Warren.

At every point visited on this trip I made as many personal visits as time would permit, and returned home feeling that the trip among the brethren and sisters of south Georgia had been a very profitable one.

H. E. Lysinger.

### GOD'S PROTECTING CARE

"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper." A few months ago I experienced the fulfillment of this promise. With my family I called at a beautiful country home near Statesboro, where an interest had been created by books sold by one of our faithful colporteurs, Brother H. F. Rigbers. At a former occasion I had visited this home, and met the father only, and then learned that he was not favorably impressed by the message, but that his wife was.

At this visit of which I am now speaking, the mother of the home met us first and very cordially invited us into the house. The father, when he saw us coming, left the house. We soon were engaged in the study of the message with the mother and the three children. After the study was over, I started to leave first, while my family lingered inside. As I came outside, the man of the place was sitting on the porch reading the newspaper. Thinking that this would be an opportunity to make a contact, I walked up to him and greeted him; but as soon as he saw me coming toward him, he dropped his paper and picked up a new ax handle and threatened to use it on me if I would come any closer. "Mr.—," I said, "I am not your enemy, I am your friend;" this only irritated him more, and he told me to shut up and go right back to my car, and hurry off his premises. My family by this time came out, and we all were soon in the car and on our way home.

A few days after this experience we received a letter from his wife, telling us that she was very sorry that her husband acted as he did, but that we should pay no attention to what he says, and that we should come back again, and that she wanted to hear more about the message. So we came back several times, and studied with the mother without meeting him. The truth gripped her heart, and she began to keep the Sabbath. But on her husband's heart there was the opposite effect. He hardened his heart as Pharaoh of old. One day when I and a brother visited the home, and just as we were entering upon another Bible study, he came, raging

mad, into the house, shaking his fist at me and ordering me out of the house, calling me all kinds of mean names. I told him that I could comply with his request, but also assured him that we were bringing a message of salvation to his home, and that he should not reject it. This again only irritated him the more; and while I was picking up my brief-case and putting my papers and books into it, he went into another room and came out with a shotgun in his hand. But no harm was done; now he reached into his pocket and pulled out his pocket knife and tried to open it, but his fingers failed in this effort. I had by this time reached the door; he rushed toward me, but only lightly touched me. We saw that the only safe thing for us was to move on. As we drove away, the words of Isaiah 54: 17, which already I have mentioned above, and also Ps. 91: 11, 12 were never more precious. Truly the ministering angels saved me from certain death at this time. The next day, when his anger had subsided, he acknowledged to his wife that he came into the house with the intention of killing me.

We have just finished an eight weeks' tent effort here. The mother of this home attended only one of the 47 meetings which we held. But we sent her literature weekly, which she gladly read. She has accepted all the points of the message, and we have every reason to believe that she will be one of the charter members of the church which we hope to organize here in the near future.

We have now held our second Sabbath service in the hall since the tent is down, and instead of 46 present as at the first Sabbath meeting, we had 60. We are happy to be reapers in this part of the Master's vineyard.

W. H. Westermeyer.

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### OUT IN THE HARVEST FIELD

Have you been out in the Harvest Ingathering work this year? If you have, you *know* that the harvest is ripe. What a wonderful thing that we can do a double work this way—help finish the work both in the home and foreign fields at the same time! I have felt that if I gathered in not a penny, my time was well spent. But the money comes, too. The Lord takes care of that.

At the first home where I called the other morning, I met a woman with eight children, and the father was out of work. The mother said she knew *something* was going to happen, but had never heard an explanation of present-day events. She gave me a good offering, in spite of their circumstances.

I called at another home where a man was in deepest grief over the recent death of his wife. He was all alone, and was groping for comfort, but had failed to find it in his religion, so had quit going to church. I mentioned to him the comforting as-

urance that the dead are asleep, and that they shall awake in the glorious resurrection morning. He fairly drank in my words, and asked that I send him literature on the subject.

At another home, after I had explained the nature of my call, a lady informed me that she was Catholic. I replied that we were giving the gospel of the near coming of Christ to the whole world, and that a Catholic soul is just as precious as any other. Her attitude changed, and she gave me a donation. I gave her a Harvest Ingathering paper, and also a "Good News" on the second coming of Christ. She said that although she had never read any Protestant literature, she was going to read this.

A lady whom I canvassed suddenly looked up and said, "Are you the people who sing on the streets?" I replied that we have singing bands who solicit for this work, and she then related how the work of the singing band had affected her husband. She said she had never been able to interest him in anything pertaining to religion; that he would never go to church. The night that he heard the singing band he remarked that it sounded more like heaven to him than anything he had ever heard, and that he wished he could follow them. Surely God's Spirit must have spoken to that man through the singing.

At one place, before I finished my canvass, a man said, "Oh, you're just trying to sell something." His manner was very sarcastic and disinterested. I told him I was not selling anything, but was soliciting donations to carry the message of a soon-coming Saviour to the world. I could see his face light up, his expression softened, and tears came into his eyes. He got his glasses, and began to read the paper, asking questions about the signs of Christ's coming. It was a new story to them; they had never heard it before. The old grandmother, who is 90 years of age, said she wished I could stay all day and talk to them.

These are only a few of the experiences I have had in the past few days. There is inexpressible joy in breaking the bread of life for the soul-hungry. Brethren and sisters, *it pays*.

A Lay Member.

### KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE NEWS NOTES

Elder Butterfield spoke at Madison last Sabbath, and made a business trip to Louisville the first of the week.

Elder Hackman, of the General Conference, and Brother Woods are in Covington and Louisville this week, assisting the churches in their Harvest Ingathering work. We are confident of good results.

Brother Wallace is spending two weeks in north-eastern Kentucky, doing both colporteur and Harvest Ingathering work.

In their 15-minute missionary meeting at Madison this past week, they reported a little over \$700 on their Ingathering goal.

We just received an order from one church for 40 copies of the new book, "Why Pray?" Have you ordered yours yet? It is a book of 91 pages, written especially as a help in our Sabbath school lessons. The author is Prof. Lynn H. Wood, president of Emmanuel Missionary College. And, best of all, it has been published in a form so that every member can have one,—attractive paper binding at only 25 cents. Order of the Book and Bible House.

The total of Harvest Ingathering funds raised in our conference to date is \$2,737.37. Singing bands and individual solicitors are working away, and we hope to see this figure increase steadily, until we can say "No retreat" to the mission fields.

### FROM OUR COLPORTEURS' LETTERS

I am back on the job after a two weeks' vacation. I had one very pleasant experience last week, taking an order and delivering the book at one call. C. T. Woolfer.

A lady told me she and her brother were so anxious for "Return of Jesus" they could hardly wait for the time of delivery. I have had several good talks with interested people this week. G. B. Baker.

It is wonderful how the Lord is working with the farmers whose crops of tobacco are nearly burnt up, and still the books deliver. I only wish I were one thousand men, so that I could give Bible studies right back over the territory where I have been. John Booth.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed us this week, and in a very remarkable way. Two different days this week, while my wife was at home having special prayer for me that I might be successful, we had the privilege of seeing how God answers prayer; for at the very time she was praying, I was taking an order, both times. We thank God for the privilege of prayer, and that we can serve such a God as He Who hears and answers prayer. We are of good courage. G. E. Goodner.

Last week my duty called me away up a creek far from the highway. When I came to the door of an old blind man's home, he was getting up off his knees. He told me he was seeking God for light as to the true Sabbath. Never in all my Christian experience have I been so impressed with the Christian's duty. "If every soldier of Christ had done his duty, if every watchman on the walls of Zion had given the trumpet a certain sound, the world might ere this have heard the message of warning. But the work is years behind. While men have slept, Satan has stolen a march upon us."—"Testimonies," Vol. 9, p. 29. How important faithful time! Delay may mean great disaster. This family or that may be missed by a colporteur's not putting in faithful time. May we all have a faithful schedule. M. L. Howard.

"Yesterday is a memory, tomorrow is a hope, today is your only available capital."

### PISGAH NEWS NOTES

We were glad to have Elder and Mrs. Bender, and Prof. and Mrs. Low return to take up their duties again at the opening of school. Elder Bender and his family spent the summer with the church at Pensacola, Florida; and Prof. and Mrs. Low have been attending summer school at the University of Arkansas.

Mrs. Dora Maskey, a graduate of Emmanuel Missionary College, is very efficiently carrying on the work of preceptress and matron that Mrs. F. A. P. Jones was forced to lay down recently on account of her health.

Miss Ellen Low is visiting her parents for a few days. She plans to go to Madison soon to enter the nurses' course there.

We were pleased recently to have Dean and Mrs. P. A. Webber and their two sons, from Madison, visit us.

Mr. F. A. P. Jones, our publicity director, has gone North on a business trip.

We were glad to welcome to our faculty, Prof. and Mrs. Jesse Cowdrick, from Graysville, Tennessee. Professor Cowdrick has come to establish a printing plant at the school. He is already securing equipment.

Miss Mabel Parish, of High Point, has recently joined our force of workers. She will help in the work at the sanitarium, and also assist Doctor Westcott in his city office.

A new four-room cottage for the boys is being erected.

School opened September 6, with a fine prospect for a successful year. Before classification, the students were given physical examinations, intelligence and achievement tests. The enrollment is 63 at present, and a few more students are expected.

The annual faculty reception was held in the school dining room, Sunday, September 18. Among the features of the enjoyable program was an interesting reading by Mrs. Maskey, and vocal and instrumental music. The address of welcome to the new students was given by Mr. Carl Mundy, and was cleverly responded to by Miss Blanche Black.

In spite of the dry weather during recent weeks, good crops are being harvested. One silo has been filled, and Mr. Mundy and his boys are building an additional one to care for the remainder of the corn crop.

The school family have especially enjoyed the Niagara grapes from the school vineyard the past few weeks.

The sanitarium has enjoyed a splendid patronage during the summer. During the month of August and thus far in September, practically every room has been occupied. On account of the large patronage, we have not been able to continue the work on the second unit of the hospital. We plan to resume this work during the winter months.

Recently a group of young women went on a

Harvest Ingathering trip, and came back with \$100, the amount of the goal they set out to reach. The school is planning to continue taking an active part in this campaign until all our territory is thoroughly covered.

### THE PROHIBITION "PRESENT TRUTH"

A special Prohibition number of *Present Truth* has recently been issued. This is Vol. VIII, No. 17. The front page article is headed, "My Views on Liquor and the Law," by Henry Ford, and is a reprint from Collier's *The National Weekly*. This well known business man discusses the various phases of the liquor question in a masterly manner, with sound arguments and hard-headed facts. In another article, Ernest H. Cherrington, chairman of the National Prohibition Board of Strategy, writes on "The Blight of City Domination." Dr. Clarence True Wilson, D. D., of the Methodist Church, answers the question, "Does Prohibition Prohibit?" Several articles by our own S. D. A. writers are furnished by Dr. D. H. Kress, Dr. Owen S. Parrett, and others. The prices on *Present Truth* have recently been reduced, and are as follows: single copy, two cents; 25 copies, 25 cents; 50 copies, 40 cents; 100 copies, 75 cents; 1,000 copies, \$4.75; 25,000 copies, \$4.50 per thousand. Order through your Book and Bible House.

### PROMINENT CHURCH LEADERS IMPRESSED

Writing of the possibilities of larger circulation by improving every opportunity to introduce our Temperance issue of the *Signs of the Times* to prominent church leaders, Elder C. V. Leach, president of the Ohio Conference, gives this experience: "Just this morning (August 25) it was my privilege to present the Prohibition *Signs*, and copies of 'Wet or Dry?' to the president of the Wesleyan Methodist faith in the State of Ohio, and three other members of his committee. They seemed to be very much impressed with this literature, and I am hoping that they may be able to order a large amount of this fine campaign material."

It was interesting to receive at the *Signs* office at almost the same time of the receipt of this letter, a telegram from the founder of the Anti-Saloon League, at Westerville, Ohio, calling for one thousand copies of the Prohibition *Signs*. J. R. Ferren.

### "THE ETERNAL QUEST"

Just off the press

"The great yearning cry of the human heart, wherever found, is for rest. The eternal quest in every age, and clime and race, is for soul-rest." So read the opening lines of a delightful new art-gift brochure by Elder LeRoy E. Froom, associate

secretary, Seventh-day Adventist Ministerial Association.

"The Eternal Quest" is addressed to those who are physically tired and heart-weary. If the trials of life sweep in like a flood, and you long for an anchor to hold you fast in times of storm and stress, just read "The Eternal Quest."

Those who are familiar with the inspiring series of booklets that have preceded "The Eternal Quest," from the pen of Elder Froom, will be glad to know that this new addition to the list is now available through your Book and Bible House. It is an ideal gift for a sick friend, a young person, or for members of your Sabbath school class. Attractively printed on a delicate coral-tinted paper, with artistic cover design in two colors, and tied with gold cord, "The Eternal Quest" costs no more than a fine greeting card, yet it carries a message that will long be cherished and remembered. Price only 25 cents per copy.

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## Obituaries

**Philmon**—Sister J. W. Philmon, one of the oldest members of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, passed away at her home in Gainesville, Georgia, Thursday morning, September 1, at the age of seventy-three. Sister Philmon was born and reared in Taylor County in the southern part of Georgia, but moved to Gainesville about 40 years ago, in order that her children might have the advantages of the church school which was there at that time.

She accepted the faith as held by Seventh-day Adventists at the age of 18, under the ministry of Elder Otto Taylor, of Michigan. She was a faithful and true Christian, and died in the glorious hope of a part in the first resurrection. She is survived by two sons, D. L. and R. S. Philmon, of Gainesville; and two daughters, Mrs. C. L. Kilgore, of South

Lancaster, Mass., and Mrs. Belk Queen, of Birmingham, Alabama. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from 1 Thessalonians 4. She was laid to rest in the Alta Vista Cemetery at Gainesville to await the call of the Life-giver.

J. Russell Mitchell.

**Wyon**—Mrs. Candace Lucretia Wyon was born at Callensburg, Pennsylvania, June 8, 1844, and died at Jacksonville, Florida, August 23, 1932.

Sister Wyon was truly a devoted "mother in Israel." In her earlier life she joined the Methodist Church, where she was highly esteemed for her moral worth and Christian integrity.

About eight years ago Sister Wyon and her husband accepted the truths of the third angel's message and remained a faithful and devoted member of the Jacksonville S. D. A. church until her death. For several years she has been an invalid, and tenderly cared for by her daughter, Mrs. R. W. Miller, who is also a member. The writer spoke words of comfort to a large circle of friends who came to mourn one whom they greatly loved. We then laid her to rest to await the Life-giver.

L. T. Crisler.

**Dunn**—Mrs. Matilda C. Dunn, of Jacksonville, Florida, passed away quite suddenly September 2. For years she had been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church in Jacksonville, serving them for a long time as janitor. Sister Dunn was very faithful in her duties to the church, and though poor in this world's goods, made every sacrifice to pay her tithes and offerings punctually. She had many friends both in and out of the church. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, after which she was laid to rest to await the coming of Jesus.

L. T. Crisler.

**Fogel**—William Henry Fogel was born at Mt. Carmel, Indiana, September 30, 1854, and departed this life July 30, 1932, being in his 78th year. He was the son of Caspar and Susan M. Fogel, and was the last member of his father's family to pass away. He was united in marriage to Josephine H. Atkins at Cincinnati, Ohio, December 22, 1875. To them were born three children, all of whom survive their father. They are Mrs. Louise A. Baker, of Orlando, Fla.; William L. Fogel, of New York City; and Clifford A. Fogel, of Pittsburgh, Pa. Three grandchildren and one great-grandchild also survive him.

His wife has been a helpless invalid for the past year, and is nearing the journey's end.

Early in life Mr. Fogel united with the Presbyterian church, and remained a member until 1919, when he was baptized into the third angel's message. His boyhood and early manhood were spent in the middle West, but he removed to Pittsburgh, Pa., with his family, where he resided many years. Several years ago he and his wife removed to California. Great affliction came to both of them. Mr. Fogel bore his affliction calmly and with the gentle

spirit that he has manifested throughout his entire life. It is with confidence and hope that we lay him to rest, to await the voice of the Lord on that glad resurrection morning.  
H. M. Kelley.

**Glenn**—Mrs. Louisa Glenn was born in 1858, and died September 14, 1932, at Pensacola, Fla. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Royster, and wife of the late Mr. Sampson Glenn. Sister Glenn became a Christian at an early age and joined the Baptist Church, where she remained faithful until 1924, when more light shone on her way. She accepted the light and became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, where she remained faithful until death. She is survived by eight grandchildren.—Prof. O. B. and Brother Charles Edwards, and others; three great-grandchildren and other relatives. Sister Glenn was buried from the Second Pensacola church, with the writer officiating. She now sleeps in one of the cemeteries of that city, where she awaits the call of the Life-giver.  
B. H. Ewing.

"We have something definite to do each day, and evening should find the appointed task completed. By finishing that special work which is ours—the duty nearest us—each day in its turn, we can approach each morning fresh to perform whatever duties come to hand, and so work joyfully and without weariness."

## THE COLPORTEUR EVANGELISTS

H. F. Kirk, - - - - - *Union Field Secretary*

Report for Week Ending September 24

### CAROLINA. W. J. Mercer, *Field Secretary*

Name	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Helps	Total	Deliv.
W. E. Adams	BML	40		22.15	22.15	4.20
Sadie Chappell	BML	33		30.25	30.25	.25
R. C. McLean	BML	35		29.00	29.00	
Clarence Murphy	OT		1	2.00	5.50	5.50
S. L. Stafford	RJ	90	17	3.00	44.50	
Mrs. J. S. Stillwell	OD	9		2.75	8.25	
J. E. Vest	BML	35		40.00	40.00	
W. H. White	OT	41	8		20.75	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>283</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>129.15</b>	<b>200.40</b>	<b>9.95</b>

### GA.-CUMBERLAND. A. E. Deyo, *Field Secretary*

Name	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Helps	Total	Deliv.
D. C. Frazier	GC	33	5	24.50	38.25	
G. C. Phillippi	BML	38		29.00	29.00	
G. W. Kimberlin	DR	44		21.50	21.50	.75
W. M. Kellogg	GC	26	3	7.50	17.25	2.25
W. E. Bailey	BF	8	3		9.00	6.00
W. Wellman	BML	72		32.00	32.00	
H. H. Guffey	RJ	43		7.00	7.00	.50
<b>Totals</b>		<b>264</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>121.50</b>	<b>154.00</b>	<b>9.50</b>

### KENTUCKY-TENN. I. O. Wallace, *Field Secretary*

Name	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Helps	Total	Deliv.
R. T. Rose	RJ	47	2		5.50	
W. H. Maloney	BR	46	10	6.25	42.25	4.25
R. E. Wilson	BML	41		11.50	11.50	11.50
John Booth	PP	40	5	5.25	24.00	1.50
M. L. Howard	RJ	39	4	2.50	16.25	27.25
C. H. Chenault	DR	39		1.00	1.00	
Wm. Centers (2)	RJ	43	14	2.50	42.00	37.50
Chas. O. Minnis	DR	20				14.75
<b>Totals</b>		<b>300</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>29.00</b>	<b>142.50</b>	<b>96.75</b>
<b>Union Grand Totals</b>		<b>847</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>279.65</b>	<b>496.90</b>	<b>116.20</b>

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B. H. Shaw,  
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**Literature and Clothing Wanted**—Any of our periodicals, books and tracts for use in missionary work. No matter how old the periodicals may be. Also clothing of all kinds wanted for missionary work.  
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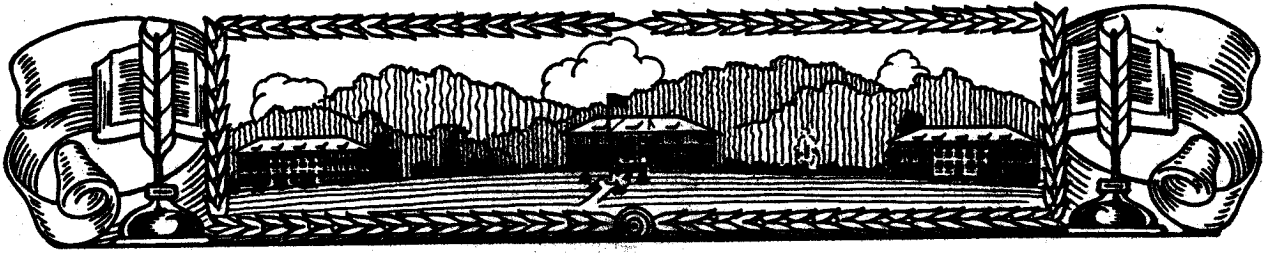
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### COLLEGEDALE NEWS NOTES

Progress continues in our Harvest Ingathering. The company of five ladies who went out on a trip by auto week before last, returned with \$92.35 for the four days. They report that they were very cordially received by the people, so had a very pleasant time. A company of our students solicited on the streets of Chattanooga Thursday evening, Sept. 22, and received \$15.54. Saturday evening, Sept. 24, a company of solicitors went to Dalton, Ga., and a singing band visited Ringgold, Ga. Their combined receipts for missions were \$12.71. This past week representatives of our school management solicited three Chattanooga banks, and received \$275; half of this amount applies on our Collegedale goal, the other half on the goal of the Chattanooga church. Brother W. A. Benjamin has been soliciting the business firms in Chattanooga, and has \$198 to his credit thus far. The total on our Ingathering goal to date is \$482.03. Definite plans are being laid week by week for continuing the work till we reach our goal.

Elder S. A. Ruskjer attended our chapel service Monday morning of last week, and gave us a very inspiring talk on the progress of our world-wide work. We now have approximately 21,000 workers directly engaged in the work. Of these workers, 8,000 are employed in the home field, and 13,000 in fields abroad. And these workers are about equally divided between the three departments of our work,—the evangelistic, the medical missionary, and the publishing. In our 10,896 Sabbath schools the world over, there are 409,000 members and 50,000 teachers. Of the 455 languages in which present truth is being presented to the people, 38 were added in 1931. It is possible through all these languages to reach 96 per cent of earth's inhabitants. It now requires a million dollars every week to finance all departments of our work. The present depression has reduced our income about a million dollars for the year; but this is a decrease of only

8.6 per cent, while among other churches some have experienced a reduction of as high as 60 per cent in their church funds. And though our funds show a decrease, there has been a steady increase for several years past in the number of souls brought into the truth, especially in the home field. So we have much to encourage us in pressing forward in the Lord's work.

President Klooster spoke to the Collegedale church on Sabbath, Sept. 24. Taking 2 Cor. 4: 8 as his text, he presented seven practical lessons that we should learn in these times of depression and perplexity: 1. We are not to depend on our own resources. (Deut. 8: 11—20.) 2. Every member has a responsibility in the work. (Mark 13: 34.) 3. All must learn the lesson of sacrificial giving. (Mark 12: 41.) 4. We should study and practice economy. 5. All should seek to increase their personal efficiency. 6. We should strive for unity and brotherly love. 7. We should learn lessons of personal piety. (2 Pet. 3: 11—14.)

Recent chapel talks, given by members of the faculty, have presented quite a variety of topics. Prof. Woods gave some very interesting facts in a talk on tramps and hoboes, a topic probably suggested by present unemployment conditions. Prof. Edwards gave an account of the invasion of Washington by the bonus army, much that he told being based on first-hand information. Elder Shaw presented quite a unique Bible study on our future home in the new earth, couched in real estate terms. Dean Clark occupied the time by presenting a number of readings,—poems of everyday life by Berton Braley, Sam Foss, Edgar Guest, and others. Prof. Haussler spoke on present economic conditions,—the growing struggle between capital and labor, and the ominous signs of future serious trouble between the wealthy and the poorer classes. But you have to be at Collegedale and hear for yourself in order to appreciate fully these excellent chapel topics.

"By dwelling upon the love of God and our Saviour, by contemplating the perfection of the divine character, and claiming the righteousness of Christ as ours by faith, we are to be transformed into the same image."

"The principle laid down by Christ is that the gifts and offerings should be in proportion to the light and blessings enjoyed."