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N LAST week's TIDINGS, we passed on to the field recommendations growing out of the

National Conference of College and University Presidents held in Baltimore. Maryland, the first days of the new year, under the auspices of the United States Office of Education. The meeting was called to consider the relationship between higher education and the war. Our government is in great need of trained men and women in the armed services and in much civilian activity. To a large extent, it is the schools and colleges of the nation that must supply that leadership. Therefore, the Conference was called to determine how institutions of higher learning can train the largest number of skilled men and women for the service of their country in the shortest period of time.

One decision made was that high schools and colleges should accelerate their programs of instruction by having school the year 'round. A student who attends school forty-eight weeks each year can complete high school or college in three years. Thus many young men will have finished their college education before being called into the service of their country at the age of twenty, the present minimum age of the draft law.

Singularly the faculty of Southern Junior College decided a year ago to accelerate its program by holding a twelve weeks' summer school during 1942. This is made clear in our current catalogue, which was published last May:

"It is the plan of the College during the summer of 1942 to conduct a twelve week's summer session divided into two terms of six weeks each. A richer offering of subjects will be given than during previous summers. This should prove attractive for any contemplating summer study during 1942."

As indicated in last week's TIDINGS, the question of deferment for pre-medical, pre-dental, and theological students is a large and serious problem. If the recom mendations of the Baltimore Conference are adopted by the Selective Service System, such students will be allowed to continue in school instead of being called into the service of their country without deferment. Right here we might say that there is considerable difference in the attitude and rulings of the various draft boards-some take a liberal attitude toward these questions, and some do not. We have one case at Southern Junior College where a high school boy, who is interested in the ministry, was given deferment for this reason. There are instances where other draft boards refuse to recognize junior college ministerial students for deferment. In general, the Selective Service Headquarters for the State of Tennessee has taken the position that no junior or senior college, as such, can be recognized as a bona fide theological seminary and their students thus eligible for deferment.

While the National Headquarters of the Selective Service System has failed to recognize any junior college as a theological school, it has so recognized our six senior colleges. However, the highest Selective Service officials have informed the writer in personal conversations that they sense the inconsistency of identical work in a junior college and in the first two years of a senior college being regarded differently by their organization, and they indicated that this discrimination against junior colleges will be corrected.

The writer has been in close touch by letter, by telegram, and in person with General Hershey and his assistant, Major Lewis, concerning recognition for our junior colleges. To date no final ruling has been received. But we shall continue to give earnest attention to this matter.

Even our senior colleges are having difficulty over the question of deferment for pre-professional groups, as indicated by a letter sent to President W. I. Smith, of Pacific Union College, by Elder Carlyle B. Haynes, copies of which were sent to the presidents of our other colleges:

"Replying to your telegram of February 3, I am writing to say that I have gone to General Hershey's office and talked the entire situation over, and am authorized by the National Selective Service System to say to you in language which has been approved by National Selective Service, the following: ""It has been administratively

"'It has been administratively determined that pre-medical students who have been accepted for matriculation in a medical school may be considered for occupational deferment, where there is no replacement immediately available and actual classroom will soon commence. There is no apparent shortage of pre-medical students and vacancies can be filled in the new class if there is adequate time available to the authorities controlling entrance to the institutions. This likewise applies to pre-dental students.'

"... National Headquarters of Selective Service is not interested apparently in any arrangement which would safeguard premedical and predental students from the operation of the draft, inasmuch as they say that medical colleges now can only take the cream of these students, and there are plenty of men to fill the places in medical courses of those who may be subject to the draft.

"They admit, however, that this is only the present status of affairs, and that further discussions are in progress with representatives of medical colleges, but they do not anticipate in the finalsettlement anything else will be allowed than an extension of time upon entering class work.

"Their own interpretation of the language above is that it means that when medical colleges are beginning their 1942-43 term in June or July, premedical and predental students actually matriculated in such colleges may be considered for occupational deferment by Local Boards. But that in case the medical college in which the student has matriculated does not begin its course until September, 1942, it will work no harm to the supply of prospective doctors and dentists for the Boards to put such premedical students into the army now, as there will be plenty of others ready to apply for entrance into the colleges opening their courses in September.

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THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES

The Signs is the world's prophetic weekly. The world today needs to know what the Bible has to say about the times we are living in and what is going on in this old world of ours and to what we are coming. The world is on fire; civilization is going down. Openings are multiplying on every hand for the Signs of the Times to answer these questions and point the questioner to God and to Heaven. Thousands of families should NOW be receiving the Signs of the Times where we have been reaching hundreds.

The Signs of the Times is a messenger of hope to a world that fears Armageddon. In the pages of this splendid magazine there is not only a prophetic picture of the current and coming events, but there is also a ray of light for the one who reads and is willing to be led thereby. Space will not permit us to cite many of the numerous experiences that different people have had with the Signs but here is one:

"With The Dentist"

While the dentist fixed my teeth I discussed world conditions with him, then presented a copy of the *Signs*. "I believe this will be very interesting," he said. A few days later he told me he liked it so well, as did also his wife, that he insisted on paying me for a year's subscription.

"There Was A Flood"

A letter from a non-Adventist states, "I enjoy reading the *Signs of the Times*. I learned from it that there really was a flood and many things I did not know before. I give the papers to different members of my church."

1942 Calls For Service With the Signs

The hour is at hand for another forward move with this noted and much read prophetic weekly. The price is the same as last year and you have the opportunity to order through your church missionary secretary or direct to our Bible House if you are a conference church member. Shall we not take advantage of this opportunity and awaken the work with the *Signs*? The price during the campaign is one dollar a year each for subscriptions in church clubs of ten or more, one dollar, twenty-five cents a year for clubs of more than five sent to individual addresses, or one dollar, thirty-five cents per year for a single subscription. Send your order through your church missionary secretary or to the Book and Bible House.

S. C. Ronning

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This is the last call for leaders of young people's societies in this field to meet at the coming convention beginning Feb. 20 and continuing until noon Sunday, Feb. 22. The first meeting will be held in the Meridian No. 1 church at the corner of Eighth Street and Thirty-Eighth Avenue, Friday, at 7:30 P. M. Good speakers will be present and you will not want to miss one We have a number of guest meeting. speakers scheduled as well as our local conference president. Come and enjoy the feast of good things in store for leaders of youth. The colored and white Missionary Volunteer leaders as well as the church school teachers by virtue of being Junior superintendent are invited to participate in this important gathering. Pray and plan for the meetings and come that we might lay plans for a stronger work in every society during 1942.

Marion G. Seitz, Conference Secretary

NEWS NOTES

The Home Missionary and Sabbath school convention held in the Mobile white church last Sabbath was well attended. The eleven o'clock hour was devoted to the home missionary phase of the work and also the Bible Readers' Circle program was launched. In the afternoon the Sabbath school work was taken up and deep interest manifested by the various members present in the discussion of the topics added to the success of the afternoon session. The total offering in the Sabbath school, including the Thank Offering of over ten dollars. was fifty-three dollars.

On Sabbath, February 7, Miss Seitz met with the churches in Hattiesburg and Talowah. Seven persons in Hattiesburg church signified their desire to enroll in the Home Study course for parents. Consult your pastor concerning this work.

Last Sabbath, February 7, three persons were baptized at the Mobile white church.

One new branch Sabbath school was started last week in Mobile. Elder W. J. Keith, of Jackson, reports a Sabbath school organized near Florence, Mississippi, by I. L. Butler, the superintendent of the Florence Sabbath school.

TITHE CORNER

"It is time for us to heed the teaching of God's word. All His injunctions are given for our good. to convert the soul from sin to righteousness. Every convert to the truth should be instructed in regard to the Lord's requirement for tithes and offerings. As churches are raised up, this work must be taken hold of decidedly, and carried forward in the Spirit of Christ. All that men enjoy, they receive from the Lord's great firm, and He is pleased to have His heritage enjoy His goods: but all who stand under the blood-stained banner of Prince Emmanuel are to acknowledge their dependence upon God and their accountability to Him by returning to the treasury a certain portion as His own."-"Testimonies." Vol. 6. p. 447.

CAROLINA . Box 930, Charlotte, North Carolina H. E. Lysinger, President R. S. Blackburn, Sec.-Treas.

SOUL WINNING EXPERIENCES WITH THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES

From one sunrise to another, the Signs of the Times magazine never ceases to be active in the work of stirring hearts. In every land and sea, the Signs is an ideal missionary. It never fears bombing raids. It never hesitates to enter bandit territory. Where there are hnman souls unsaved, the Signs hastens to warn and convince them that the Lord is coming soon.

For many years a liberal supply of these efficient messengers has been supplied to us in Shanghai, China. They have found a welcome in the homes and offices of the highest officials in the Chinese government, in the Postal staff, in the Customs staff, in the banks, the ship's libraries, in the railroad stations, and in other places too numerous to mention particularly.

One reader wrote, "I am thanking you very much for the lovely magazines you were so kind to send me some time ago. I have read these magazines and they interested me very much."

Another gentleman wrote, "I would very much like to receive regularly, copies of *Signs of the Times*, which I understand you distribute. I find it not only interesting, but enlightening reading; and during a time like the present, when there seems to be nothing but hatred among men, if only more people would read publications like yours and be guided thereby, both morally and spiritually. I wish you every success in your good work."

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A preacher in another denomination sent the following acknowledgement: "Thanks for these six copies of the Signs of the Times which came to hand this morning. It was good of you to send them and they have interested me very much indeed. Your publicity agent is a man to be envied. All good wishes."

SIGNS BREAKS DOWN PREJUDICE

During a recent Harvest Ingathering campaign in Shanghai, I called upon a British gentleman in charge of a large engineering company. The year before, when I called to see him, he was not very glad to see me. He did not ask me to sit down, and he didn't seem interested in the report of our work. He was about to say "No" when I reminded him that we had just called on another British engineering firm, and that they had agreed to give as much as he would give. Upon hearing, he rather reluctantly gave fifty dollars. Returning home, I put his name on the Signs mailing list for the next year, so the visit paid him a year later proved to be a pleasure. I sent my name card into his private office. He came out personally and said, "Please come in." Sending an office boy to bring a chair, he said, "Reverend Hartwell, please sit down." And then for a half hour we visited together about things in the world and in the Signs magazine. Then he asked, "But didn't you come today to get my donation?" "Yes," I replied, "It is Harvest Ingathering time, and we called to ask you to help us again." "Of course we will help you," he replied. And he wrote out a check for \$100. Handing it to me he added, "I advise you to make hay while the sun shines, the sun will not shine much longer around here." What a message to Seventhday Adventists the wide world over. And one of the best ways to make hay in our work is to distribute more Signs and still more Signs.

R. H. Hartwell

WORKERS' MEETING

The workers of the Carolina Conference have just returned home from one of the most helpful workers' meetings ever enjoyed in this field.

Much time was spent on matters pertaining to a greater and more thorough evangelism in the Carolinas. The many unworked cities and towns, the counties in which there are no churches, should make a strong appeal to every Seventh-day Adventist in our territory to lend their support to all phases of soul-winning.

Every church should be willing to get along with as little pastoral help as possible that our District Superintendents may feel free to spend a large part of their time in raising up new churches in the unworked cities and towns. With our laymen properly organized for soul-winning work, our churches should grow spiritually and in numbers even without steady pastors.

Let us all co-operate to make 1942 a banner year in soul winning.

H. E. Lysinger



EVANGELISM IN FLORIDA

To The Constituency, Florida Conference:

No doubt by this time each of you have heard something, at least, of our program for greater evangelism for the Florida Conference. Several weeks ago Brother Schneider and I discussed the possibility of launching a campaign to raise ten thousand dollars for equipment. In view of the present situation and the utter impossibility of purchasing tent equipment and things of that kind in the near future due to the demand of war, we felt that we would find ourselves almost stranded unless we acted quickly and put forth every effort within our power to get the proper equipment before this source of supply was entirely cut off. The Florida Conference has purchased two large canvas tabernacles, one 80 x 120 ft., which will be considerably larger than the camp meeting pavilion at Forest Lake, and another 60 x 100 ft., for evangelism in our larger cities.

We have presented this matter in only eight of our churches to date. We are grateful to report to the glory of God that so far, approximately seven thousand dollars has been pledged on this equipment,—over two thousand in cash, and the balance to come in within ninety days of the time of pledge.

Through this column today I earnestly appeal to every member of the Florida Conference that if you have means which you feel should be in the cause of God, not to wait until they are either confiscated or absorbed in some other way in which the cause of God will not benefit; I beg of you this morning to place that means in the cause that equipment might be purchased for the purpose of warning the many thousands who are yet outside the vale of safety and who know nothing of this blessed truth.

At present Elder F.F. Schwindt, our conference evangelist, is located in Tampa. With him will be associated Brother E. A. Lemon, Brother W. E. Kuester, and Mrs. Retzlaff as a part-time Bible worker and song leader. I might say that so far as Tampa is concerned, already these workers are associated with Elder Schwindt and six meetings a week are being held with these workers, giving them thorough instruction in methods of evangelism, plus a very thorough visiting campaign among the members of the church.

This meeting will begin about the first Sunday night in March, and between now and then Elder Schwindt and his corps of workers would greatly appreciate receiving the names and addresses of any of our people who have friends or loved ones living in the city of Tampa. The worker will call on and invite them to attend the meetings. This will be in addition to the regular advertising, as a personal invitaton is often more effective than just a general one. All such information will be treated absolutely confidential and you may thereby be reponsible for the winning of your friend or loved one. Address all such information

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to the evangelist: Elder F. F. Schwindt, 310 W. Frierson Street, Tampa, Fla.

Now dear people, may we have your wholehearted co-operation as well as your earnest prayers in behalf of this large city effort? All workers there, and the church, are of good courage, and are laying plans for the winning of at least two hundred souls should it be the Lord's will to grant them that number.

Following the Union meeting in March, Elder C. R. Gibbs will conduct a large effort in the city of Miami. Associated with him will be Brother C. R. French, now in charge of the Hialeah church, and someone as Bible worker, plus the local talent available there. At the same time, Elder Banks plans for a meeting in Jacksonville, and associated with him will be Brother Robert Wieland, now in charge of the St. Augustine-Palatka-Bunnel district

Elder M. K. Eckenroth, one of our new workers, now located in the Tallahassee district, is already on the air from 6:00 P. M., to 6:15 P. M., every day during the week, over station WTAL, 1340 K.C., while on Sunday he is on the air thirty minutes, from 6:00 P. M., to 6:30 P. M. Elder Ekenroth plans to hold a tabernacle meeting on the lot which has been purchased for the new church building in Tallahassee.

Elder S. H. McLennan, of West Palm Beach, and Brother F. W. Harvey, of the Bradenton-Palmetto district and other worker of the Florida Conference will be putting forth every effort for an outstanding year in the winning of souls in the Florida field.

Again, I appeal to you, brother, sister, that you pray earnestly that this may be the greatest soul-saving year in the history of this conference. Certainly nothing short of this will be pleasing to our God in these trying and perplexing times. Conditions in the world today tell us in no mistaken tones that the work of God in this earth will soon be finished. May we each be found faithful and loyal at our post of duty that the Master may be able to say, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

L. C. Evans

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES WINS SOULS

Many of you can testify to the truth of this, for it was through the *Signs* you found the truth. The other day as I was walking with Brother Crawford he told me an incident about the *Signs*, and I asked him to put it in writing, so he gave me the following:

SIGNS OF THE TIMES "TIME BOMBS"

In these days we hear much about bombs of various types, including the "time bomb," and with these "time bombs" we associate sorrow, misery, suffering and death. Not all "time bombs," however, are of this type. Undoubtedly every loyal believer has placed at least one "time bomb" at some time, and some perhaps many thousands, in the form of our POWERFUL literature. When these bombs explode, instead of bringing destruction, they literally blow individuals into our church and they receive "new life." Just as surely as these "time bombs" are placed, just so surely they will explode in time, for we are promised, "My word shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish '

A half century ago, - in 1892, - a Signs of the Times "time bomb" went on its mission; leaving California and travelling by land and sea it finally reached Georgetown, British Guiana, South America, and then wended its way to the little village of Beterverwagting, and the home of a William Henry Palmer on Plantation Triumph. This "time bomb" was handled thoughtlessly (not knowing the power it contained), and found lodgment on a high shelf, and was forgotten. Six years later William Jr., was born, and this gave mother Palmer less time to clean the high Another four decades passed, shel**ve**s. but in the forty-sixth year this Signs of the Times "time bomb" did explode and literally blew the William Jr., family right into the remnant church. During this forty-six-year period each passing day apparently smothered this "time bomb" with the accumulated dust and cobwebs, but when the appointed time came, although nearly a half century later, the power to give life was just as effective as in 1892.

Now is our golden day of opportunity to place these Signs of the Times "time bombs," and while the man-made bombs of death bring wholesale destruction, we have the assurance that wherever these "time bombs" are hiding, they will at the proper time explode and bring "life" for eternity to sin-sick hearts. This is not only the time to double our efforts but rather MULTIPLY these Signs of the Times "time bombs." Don't delay,—"it is later than we think!"

C. M. Crawford

Surely experiences like these show us the value of the Signs as a soul winner. Wouldn't you rejoice if you were the one who sent out this *Signs* subscription those many years ago? But to send out *Signs* now is much more profitable, for the above experience proves that now is the time that people are in search of the message the *Signs* contains.

So now is your opportunity. You have no doubt been handed literature telling the plan of the *Signs* campaign for 1942. So why not take advantage of this special offer and have these silent preachers going into the homes of your friends, loved ones and neighbors? The cost is so small and can be paid for quarterly. So see your church missionary secretary at once and place an order for as many subscriptions as you can afford.

M. E. Chapman



BRANCH SABBATH SCHOOLS

Of all the fruitful soul-winning adjuncts of our great Sabbath school program, probably none is more easily adapted to all conditions in all churches than the Branch Bible school,—sometimes known as Branch Sabbath school. It is better named when called a "Bible School." This is its aim and purpose, to teach the truths of the Bible to any who are minded to study. Since it encourages individual study of a prepared lesson in advance, it will in some ways excel a cottage meeting in effectiveness. Every Sabbath school in Georgia-Cumberland could have many such schools in operation.

A new set of lessons on doctrines is available that, in the course of one year, will teach the fundamentals of the truth. Thus, one S. D. A. who can teach the lesson is sufficient to get a school started.

The program would be almost identical with our Sabbath school program. Those who attend could be drafted for many of the minor jobs in the school. Offerings would go to the parent Sabbath school which would retain jurisdiction over the branches by the appointment of assistants who would foster this type of work. It can be held on any day or any evening during the week. It may be held in your home, a neighbor's home, a school house, a storeroom or any place available. It may start with children only, encouraging the parents as rapidly as possible. The meeting can be transferred to a time on the Sabbath as soon as feasible, or at least right after the lessons on the Sabbath are given.

The last and best step will be to join the group to the main Sabbath school, or if it is too remote for this, to form them into a regular Sabbath school under Conference supervision. This is a simple and effective way of evangelism.

It is the aim of every Sabbath school in Georgia-Cumberland to have at least one such school started in their midst during 1942. Won't you volunteer for such service in your Sabbath school?

Paul C. Cardey

OUR BOYS IN CAMP

Inasmuch as many of our young men are being inducted into our government camps, and since we have so many camps in the southeast, we believe it would facilitate matters greatly if both parents and church clerks would think of the Missionary Volunteer Department as a sort of clearing house and send in the names and addresses of all called into service.

Our boys are being shifted a great deal now and people are writing to know where different boys are and how they can be contacted. Camp pastors will do us a great favor if they will report names and addresses of our boys from other conferences as they come into the camps in this field.

Your co-operation is solicited and will be appreciated. A number of leaflets are in the office ready for distribution.

T. S. Copeland

NEWS NOTES

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Sunday night Elder Keate spoke in the tabernacle at Baxley, following which he organized a church of twenty-six members, which included the company originally at that place. The prospects are that this church will grow and we rejoice with Brother Meintzer in the fruitage of his effort and the prospects there seem to be for growth of this newly organized church.

Professor Copeland is planning to baptize two candidates for Brother Conmack, in Columbus, on Sabbath, February 14. Brother Conmack is expecting to have several more ready shortly, but as these young people were leaving for school, arrangements have been made for their baptism before they leave Columbus.

Elder W. S. Lawrence has accepted a call to Keene, Texas. He expects to preach his farewell sermon in Chattanooga on February 14, and will leave the following day. Elder Lawrence has not been with us long since coming to our field this last time, and we are very sorry to see him move on after such a short stay with us. He is anxious for his son, Warren, to have the privilege of attending the Southwestern Junior College, located at Keene, Texas.

/ Elder S. M. Schleifer has been asked to take charge of the Atlanta Beverly Road church and the district that goes with it. On Sabbath, February 7, he preached his farewell sermon to the Atlanta First church where he has served faithfully now for more than five years. February 14 will be his first Sabbath with the Beverly Road church as pastor.

 \checkmark Elder C. A. Wilhelm has been asked to take charge of the Atlanta First church, and the churches that are included in the district with this church. His first sermon to the Atlanta First church as pastor will be Sabbath, February 14. Elder Wilhelm will continue to look after the work in Griffin until it has been fully developed and bound off.

Elder A. C. Griffin accepted a call to the Texas Conference and left Atlanta just preceding our workers' meeting. We were sorry to lose Elder Griffin for he rendered faithful and efficient service in this conference for about four years. We feel that his going is a distinct loss to this field, but what is our loss will be Texas' gain.

There was a farewell gathering at the Beverly Road church for Elder Griffin and his family, at which many nice things were said. As a parting gesture of friendship and good will Brother and Sister Griffin were presented with a leather Hymnal and Bible to match, which was stamped with their names in gold.

Elder Johnson reports a growing interest in his church effort at Elizabethton. On Sunday night, February 8, there were over fifty present who are not of our faith. These people were definitely interested through literature and radio work. Brother Johnson is hopeful of gathering fruit as a result of this effort.

Brother Hegeman has been holding meetings in the neighborhood of Quitman and vicinity for about a week. We are pleased to know that Brother Hegeman is endeavoring to use the knowledge and inspiration received at the Workers' Meeting as he visits the churches throughout his district.

The "Voice of Prophecy" can be heard at Waycross over the station from Gainesville, Florida. It is also picked up there from Indianapolis. It can be heard distinctly at Baxley, from Gainesville, also. If you can hear this broadcast directly from any stations, do your best to get your neighbors and friends to listen in.

Sabbath afternoon thirteen from Baxley were baptized in Waycross. Brother Meintzer had expected twenty to be baptized, but various things kept some of the candidates away. He had twenty-four in his baptismal class. All of these, with a number of others, are yet expected to be received into the church.

We are expecting to organize a new church at Griffin, Georgia, immediately following the Union Conference Session and we are looking forward soon to organizing a colored church at Americus, Georgia.



INVESTITURE SERVICE

Sabbath, January 31, was the occasion of the Investiture of every colored conference worker in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference as Master Comrades. They are as follows: Elder and Mrs. T. M. Fountain, Elder and Mrs. H. J. Miller, Elder and Mrs. R. F. Warnick, Elder W. H. Winston, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Cleveland, and Miss Rossetta Baldwin, teacher of the Louisville No. 2 church school.

We believe that this is the largest colored Investiture service on Master Comrades in the Southern Union. It was a high day in the experience of these brethren.

Those officiating in the service were Elder J. K. Jones, President of the Southern Union Conference, who offered the consecration prayer; Elder C. V. Anderson, President of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, gave the charge, and Prof. R. H. Libby, of the local Conference

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MUTUAL NETWORK BROADCAST FOR SOUTHERN UNION

City	Station	Kilocycles	Local Time	
Atlanta, Georgia	WATL	1400	7:00 P. M.	
Saint Petersburg – Tampa, Florida	WTSP	1380	**	
Gainesville, Florida	WRUF	850	**	
(Begins February 2)				
Columbia, South Carolina	WCOS	1400	**	
Winston-Salem, North Carolina	WAIR	1340	**	
Pirmingham, Alabama	WSGN	610	6:00	
Nashville, Tennessee	WSIX	980	**	
Memphis, Tennessee	WMPS	1460	**	
Louisville, Keutucky	WGRC	1400	6:30	
(For full log covering nation, see <i>Review and Herald</i>)				

THE JOURNEY'S END

Spire—Mrs. Clara Eugena Clough-Spire died at the home of her dughter, Mrs. A. B. Schroader, Dana, N. C., December 26, 1941. She was born at Toledo, Ohio, September 16, 1861, being eighty years old at the time of her death. Sister Spire accepted the third angel's message in early life and entered Battle Creek College to prepare for a part in God's work. At different times she was employed as a Bible worker and for several years she carried the work of Secretary-Treasurer of the Tennessee River Conference.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. A. B. Schroader, of Dana, N. C., Mrs. R. J. McCrorry and Miss Magurrite Spire, both of Louisville, Ky.

Elder John Brownlee assisted the writer at the funeral service which was held at the Baptist Church of Dana, N. C. E. L. Sheldon

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Wanted—A white woman with a kind, cheerful disposition, between forty-five and fifty years of age, to help with semiinvalid and work around house. Modern country home, good home to right person; work light; private room. Nine miles from Charleston, South Carolina, church. Mrs. J. C. Addison, John's Island, South Carolina.

Wanted—Couple to take charge of farm. Twelve acres under cultivation; two acres four-year apple orchard; six-room log bungalow; electric lights; school bus at door. Three miles from Cameron, North Carolina. Owner, eighty-four years of age, to occupy one room, and board with occupants.—H. E. Kelly, Cameron, N. C.



Friday, Feb. 20

Atlanta, Ga.,	.7:25
Charlotte, N. C.,	
Chattanooga, Tenn.,	.6:28
Memphis, Tenn.,	.6:47
Meridian, Miss.,	.6:40
Nashville, Tenn.,	
Orlando, Fla ,	7:18



Feb. 21, Missions Feb. 28 TIDINGS

Pastors and Church Elders:

Announcement should be made each week at the Sabbath morning service of the purpose of the offering to be taken.



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THE COLPORTEUR EVANGELIST I. M. Evans - - - Union Field Secretary Report for week ending Feb. 7

"And there are hundreds of precious souls, scattered all over the wide harvest field, who received the message for this time simply by reading our publications. And there are thousands more who would rejoice with us in the clear light of eternal truth, and prepare for the coming of the Son of man, could it be placed before them in the form of silent messengers from our office of publication."

-Elder James White, in "An Appeal," 1873.

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Mrs. Crawford	Mag.	$\overline{24}$	7.60	7.60
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Mrs. Capps	ĞF GH	15	17.00	17.70
Alberta Mills	ĠH	25	$\begin{array}{c} 17.00\\ 24.75\end{array}$	$17.70 \\ 11.25$
W. E. Adams	Mag.	10		14.75
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** J. Welch R. C'berlain L. F. Pierce W. Roberson F. L. McKee	BR	53	133.00	
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W. Roberson	BR	41	60.00 127.25	10.90
F. L. McKee	BR	40	127.25	
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T. Flanagan	BR	36	59.50	20.25
Ethel Bowen	Mag.	34 30 26	$30.70 \\ 13.75$	$30.70 \\ 13.75$
Mrs. Simpson	Mag.	30	13.75	13.75
S. McAfee	GH	20	84.50	14.70 .25
S. Alexander	HR	23 22	$21.50 \\ 58.40$.25 16.40
Faith Potter Mrs. Young	BR	$\frac{22}{15}$		10.40
Ada Woolsey	BR GH	10	$50.00 \\ 25.75$	6.50
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TOTALS		641	947.70	271.25
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**Brantleys	BR	63	89.70	89.25
**Mrs. Price	RJ	41	90.95	133.60
Gertrude Wood	Mag.	27	55.50	55.50
Mrs. Briggs	Mag.	25	55.00	55.00
Mrs. Gracey	RJ	20	14.40	4.15
Mrs. Cherry	Mag.		6.00	6.00
TOTALS		176	311.55	343.50
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MINISTERIAL STUDENTS AND SELECTIVE SERVICE (Continued from page 1)

"I pointed out to the men at the National Headquarters of the Selective Service System that the present program would operate to dry up the supply of prospective medical and dental students, and would make it necessary for colleges offering such courses to eliminate the courses them-selves. Their reply was if that proved to be the result of the present policy, the policy would be changed; but they contemplated no changes until such a result begins to appear. "This was as far as I could get with the

authorities on this question.

These critical times bring great perplexity to all nations at war. Ours is no exception. Young men of military age, with their loved ones, are deeply concerned over the meaning to our country and to themselves of the present conflict. I can assure our believers that the opreation of a junior college is no easy matter at a time like this. Perplexing problems are always present, but the war is multiplying them. Almost every day brings volumes of instruction from a score or more sources. It would take most of our time to assimilate this material. There would be little time for anything else. We are endeavoring to be as sympathetic, helpful, and constructive toward the young men involved in the draft as we possibly can that their interests and those of the nation may best be served.

Furthermore, the operation of the school, the maintenance of an industrial program, the conducting of routine activities are deeply affected by the present emergency and call for much earnest and prayerful study. In this crisis hour that threatens the "black-out" of civilization, we need and solicit the prayers and interest of our people that God's will may be carried out in all things.



IS THIS ARMAGEDDON?

This striking and dramatic question appears on the third page of the March issue of the Watchman Magazine introducing a masterly contribution from the pen of its editor presenting a clear, doctrinal analysis of the present world catastrophe. Referring to the recent attack on Pearl Harbor and subsequent tragic events in the Pacific area, he says that this development "surprised no one who has lived in the East, but to most Americans it was disillusioning. The world beheld a nation ready to challenge the manpower of the West, and those who know Japan are fully aware that she will never be satisfied with the conquest of the East. She must be stopped, or she will overrun the world."

Every believer in the nearness of the second coming of Christ should read this excellent portrayal of graphic developments and their relation to the close of human probation. Its factual outline of passing events, and clear presentation of a vital doctrinal truth of the third angel's message, will help to confirm our convictions that we are very near the end.

But this is only one of many interesting and unusual features of the March Watchman which is now in circulation. R. R. Sensen, our Manila Correspondent, throws considerable light on the Pacific sector of our tragic world-situation in his article entitled, "As Phillippine Indepenence Approaches." Elder Amundsen of Inter-America, also presents a fine study of our International entanglements under the caption, "Swords or Plowshares?"

In the March issue of Watchman you will also find Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's third contribution to its columns on "Law Enforcement in a Crisis." As director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, he speaks with the voice of authority on portentous under currents in the social life of our own America, and also emphasizes the necessity of a return to the great fundamental ideals which formed the major structure of our national life in other days.

You will want to read this and succeeding issues of Watchman during this passing year, and also place it in the hands of your friends and neighbors. Watchman costs only five cents per copy in quantities of ten or more and sells for ten cents per You can subscribe for yourself copy. and your friends for only sixty cents per year. Order through your Book and Bible House. "Win with Watchman in '42."

H. K. Christman, Circulation Manager

INVESTITURE SERVICE (Continued from page 5)

Missionary Volunteer Department, presented the class for Investiture.

Elder F. S. Keitts, of the Southern Union Colored Department, offered the opening prayer, and Miss Anna Knight, also of the Southern Union Colored Department, presented the members individually for the receiving of the insignia.

Many Master Comrades among our white brethren were present, and a number of them assisted in the service. All the Master Comrades stood at attention while the charge was given.

We look forward to real growth and added impetus in the colored young people's work as the result of this outstanding event in the experience of these workers.

R. H. Libby

NEWS NOTES

An excellent opportunity to do missionary work is furnished our people during the Signs of the Times campaign which begins February 21, and closes March 7. During the time of the campaign special prices prevail on the Signs. Individual subscriptions going to separate addresses during that period are reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.35. If your church reaches its quota you may have part in a club of five or more subscriptions to one address at the rate of only \$1.25 each. In clubs of ten or more, where the church reaches its quota, the price is only \$1.10.

Replies keep rolling into the office in every mail from the Bible Circle mailings. Louisville has recently had us mail out to 791 box holders. The replies to date are very encouraging. Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, recently started the program with 306 box holders. Only a week after the first mailing fifty-four replies have reached the office.

If any of our readers have clean, presentable copies of the Youth's Instructor, Little Friend, or any other Seventh-day Adventist periodicals that would be suitable for missionary distribution, the missionary Volunteer Society at Fountain Head would be pleased to receive the same. Address such literature to Mr. Warren Wilson, at Fountain Head, Tennessee.

Professor C. A. Russell, Educational Secretary of the Southern Union Conference, has recently been our guest as he visited Pewee Valley and Fountain Head Academies on his annual inspection tour. We always welcome Professor Russell to our field.

Professor Libby is rating the church schools at the present time. We are happy that much new equipment in the schools has been added, which will naturally help in their rating.

Other churches are beginning the program, and all indications are that this will be the means of not only contacting thousands of individuals, but of leading them to the truth.

The Signs of the Times is one of our best missionary papers. There are fifty issues of the Signs in the course of a year, and it presents an opportunity that you cannot afford to let pass by.