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"Give All to God You Would Keep for Eternity"

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The Colporteur Answers

THIS story is outstanding only to those who have never engaged in the colporteur work. It is one of the many that reach the office, and represents the daily experiences of those who have dedicated their time to answering the unspoken call of those who are ready and waiting for the bearer of light.

B. E. WAGNER

This experience happened the first day that I went out alone. Before going into the colporteur work, I prayed for several weeks for God to show me that He wanted me to give up my job for the colporteur work. Without a definite answer to my prayer, except my conscience, I decided to make the change.

On Monday morning, as I started out on my first day alone, I found that it was much harder without Brother Chamberlain. I prayed earnestly for God to help me, to guide and direct me, and that He would show me definitely that He wanted me in the colporteur work.

I had a good day up to five o'clock, when, as I had done with Brother Chamberlain, I went back to rework the homes where I had found no one at home during the day. I finished about 8:15, taking three more orders. I felt sure that I had worked every house, but to make sure I decided to go back to the starting point and recheck the houses again. After feeling certain that I had not missed a house, I was going back into town, and scolding myself for taking the time to do so much checking.

Suddenly, my car pulled into a drive-

way, and I backed out, turning around and starting back to the point of beginning my canvassing that morning. I did not realize that I had turned around until that moment. I stopped; and wondering why I had done this, I began to back up in the same driveway to go on to town. As I put the car in reverse, a voice, not audible but very plain, as if someone were in the car, spoke to me and said: "You have been praying for God to lead you. Now He wants to lead you and you do not want to go. You cannot do the colporteur work unless you will let God lead you." Before I moved an inch, I had prayer. I told God that I had worked every house. I had gone over that road five times that day. I told Him that I didn't know where He wanted me to go, and that He would have to show me. Then I started back down the road, driving very slowly.

I had not gone far before I saw a light in a house on a hill off the road. I remembered that I had worked that house that morning, so I started to go by, but my car seemed to stop. In that home lived an elderly man and his daughter. I had canvassed him that morning. His daughter worked at night and was asleep when I was there. I knew that she was at work by now, but I remembered that the father had told me he had a son who lived in a house behind his, who was not at home that morning. I knew that this was the one house that I had not worked. I drove up past the old man's house to his son's



INGATHERING REPORT SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

Conference	Minuteman Goal	Amount Raised to May 21, 1949	Raised Per Capita
Alabama-Mississippi	\$46,210.40	\$48,675.62	\$19.80
Florida	92,759.20	92,779.64	18.80
Carolina	53,316.80	48,228.60	16.81
Georgia-Cumberland	78,640.40	61,118.28	14.61
Kentucky-Tennessee	76,873.20	55,000.00	13.45
South Central	50,666.00	34,240.67	12.70
South Atlantic	82,287.60	34,012.51	7.77
UNION	\$480,753.60	\$374,055.32	\$14.60

home, and found them at home. I gave a brief canvass for "Bible Readings" and he placed an order. I was so surprised at the whole thing that I wanted to leave as quickly as possible, so that I could have prayer and thank God for what He had done.

As I started to leave, he told me he had a brother who lived behind his house, and he knew his brother would be interested. He had just finished building the house and there was no road to it, so I walked down to his house. It was so dark that I came upon the house before I realized it. I kept feeling around until I found a door and knocked.

When the man came to the door and turned on the porch light, it was so bright it almost blinded me. I told him quickly who I was and what I was doing; and since I could hardly see him I stuck out my hand and smiled as big as I could. He grasped my hand and pulled me into the house, slapping me on the back and telling me how glad he was to see me. I thought that he had mistaken me for someone he knew.

As I walked into the dining room and met his wife and two children, I saw in the chair that he had left to let me in a much-used Bible. As I looked at it, the man said, "We were just praying that God would send someone to help us understand the Bible better." After we discussed subjects of the Bible for about thirty minutes, in which God was also with me, I gave a canvass for "Bible Readings" and got another order.

I do not know at what time the man and his family prayed for someone to come and help them, but I be-

lieve it must have been at the time that my car went into the driveway and turned around.

Since that first day, I have never prayed that God would show me that He wanted me in the colporteur work. I know that this is the job He wants me to do.

JOHN FINDLEY

"... 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?"

A Crisis in Mission Fields

Because the cost of operating foreign mission work has very greatly increased, while our mission income has not greatly increased, we have gradually come face to face with disturbing facts. Our work has opened up in a new way since the world war, and many very urgent calls have come in. A number of these pressing needs have been taken care of by the General Conference treasury; but doing this has reduced operating funds and reserves until we have reached the point where further appropriations from that source might be serious and bring real danger to the stability of our overseas work. It is difficult for the brethren in the General Conference to turn deaf ears to the pleading appeals of the missionaries we have sent out to far-away lands.

In answering some of these calls, the reserve funds in the treasury have been reduced to a figure of \$313,000 below what they should be. What will this mean to the near future of our work?

ROCKING HORSE or Stratoliner?



**Progress Is Closely Related
to Preparation for It**

Write for the 1949 Bulletin

HOME STUDY INSTITUTE
Takoma Park, Washington 12, D.C.

It will be impossible for the General Conference to make any special appropriations at the 1949 Autumn Council. Just think what this will mean—no special appropriations—when in the last four years over five million dollars has been appropriated.

How can we stop giving to answer these urgent requests from our overseas fields? What shall we do? Here is what we can do, and here is what we must do. First, double our offerings to missions, whether in the Sabbath school or on the second Sabbath of each month. Second, get everybody to attend Sabbath school. People give to Sabbath school only when they attend. Third, help your church and your conference reach its Minuteman goal for the Ingathering. And then, make every Thirteenth Sabbath a double-dollar day.

Be sure that your church strictly observes the second-Sabbath-of-the-month mission offering. In many churches this offering is sadly neglected

and sometimes entirely omitted. We must save the day, and by God's grace we can save it by rallying to the

cause in a special way during the remaining months of 1949.

R. H. WENTLAND

Inspiration from Reports

(The following is quoted from a letter written to workers in the Southern Publishing Association territory.)

"Here are a few reports from our territory for the week of May 7. It is an inspiration to me to see what you are doing throughout the field. I didn't have the reports from all our fields before me, but I picked out some of the best ones, and here they are. I won't name the colporteurs—I'll just give them a number and then their hours.

Colporteur	Hours	Sales
Number 1	38	\$384.50
Number 2	40	433.50
Number 3	51	309.45
Number 4	44	401.00
Number 5	40	354.75
Number 6	60	650.00
Number 7	56	353.60
Number 8	47	521.40

Number 9	62	673.75
Number 10	53	590.00
Number 11	48	746.75
Number 12	48	303.00
Number 13	46	961.00
Number 14	48	346.00
Number 15	49	234.00
Number 16	47	258.40
Number 17	53½	327.75
Number 18	42	254.50
Number 19	47	330.00
Number 20	44	436.60
Number 21	41	503.25
Number 22	39	610.00

We could include many more just as good as these. You will notice they were all very close to or above forty hours. The Lord is wonderfully blessing the loyal, faithful colporteurs in this territory, and we hope we can all make good use of these days of opportunity.

C. L. PADDOCK

Have You a Friend in Britain?

God is blessing the work in Great Britain. As the country is slowly but surely pulling out of its difficulties, so our one hundred churches and our 6,235 church members are courageously struggling toward a new day.

It was my pleasure recently to spend seven weeks with the workers there. I assisted in holding six Sabbath school institutes, a Week of Prayer at Newbold College, and a senior M. V. camp in Scotland, on the banks of Loch Lomond.

It was a pleasure to see some splendid churches which have been acquired in recent years. The churches in Nottingham, Glasgow, and Edinburgh are fine, roomy buildings, and the brethren in Belfast and Dublin are working hard to improve their places of worship.

Everywhere I met sincere appreciation for the generous help of friends in America during the past tragic years, and if you are one of those friends, let me say "thank you" for them.

May I suggest that if you would like to send your friends in Britain a birthday present, or a Christmas present, or any other kind of presents,

here is a list of things everyone of them would appreciate:

New current copies of the Sabbath school *Picture Roll*, new or used copies of *Those Tiny Tots*, *Those Juniors*, *Teaching Teachers to Teach*, *Christian Story Telling*, *Keith Argraves*, *Paratrooper*, *Light Bearer to the Amazon*, *The Life of Christ Visualized*, *New Testament Heroes Visualized*, *Life of Joseph Visualized*, *Life of Esther Visualized*, and any of the children's reading course books.

It is almost impossible, under the present economic conditions, to send money out of Britain to pay for things like this; and I find that there is, therefore, a pitiful lack all through the land of books for Sabbath school teachers, *Picture Rolls*, and books for little children. Bundles of books, up to six pounds, with one end sealed, marked gift, can be sent in with no customs duty to pay.

Food conditions are improving rapidly, but it is impossible to buy *Postum* anywhere, and in England *fruit* is still hard to obtain and is very expensive.

If you have books of the above description which you would like to

donate, but do not know anyone in Britain personally, mail them to our conference Sabbath school secretaries:

Pastor E. R. Warland
43 Tavistock Drive
Nottingham, England
Pastor A. C. Vine
780 St. Albans Road
Watford, Herts,
England

They will be glad to distribute them where they are needed most. Make someone in Britain happy today.

ERIC B. HARE

CORRECTION

An article, "Madison on the March," appearing in a recent M. V. Special of the SOUTHERN TIDINGS, dated May 18, was credited to Miss Elsie Wrinkle as the author. The name of the author should have been President W. E. Straw.

Florida Sanitarium and Hospital

Louis N. Christensen, Medical Director
Box 3673, Orlando, Florida

HOSPITAL DAY AT THE FLORIDA SANITARIUM

The Florida Sanitarium and Hospital opened its doors for four hours on Sunday afternoon, May 15, for an "open house" to celebrate National Hospital Day.

Brother Leighton T. Hall, assistant business manager, perfected the organization for the event, and the plans were placed in my hands to carry out.

At two o'clock in the afternoon the people began to arrive. They were greeted at the door and requested to register. Guides were provided from the nursing staff and the office force. Everything worked in perfect order. The groups were shown through the hospital, sanitarium, cafeteria, and kitchen and were finally directed to the patients' dining room. Here they were seated and refreshments were served. Each guest was given a beautiful picture of the sanitarium as a souvenir. One of the guests, Mr. E. H. Gore, a resident of Orlando, was one of the first patients admitted to the Florida Sanitarium back in 1908.

Last year the sanitarium treated 4,991 house patients and 32,918 outpatients, a total number equal to about

Camp Meeting Dates

Florida, Forest Lake Academy June 2 to 11
 Georgia-Cumberland,
 Southern Missionary College June 9 to 18
 Kentucky-Tennessee, Highland Academy June 16 to 25
 South Atlantic, Jacksonville, Florida June 2 to 11

PLAN FOR CAMP MEETING!

half the population of Orlando. During 1948, 3,099 surgical operations were performed, and 489 babies were born in the sanitarium.

This was one of the most outstanding events of its kind ever held at the sanitarium. Hundreds of people filed through our corridors, some of whom were born there, and hundreds of exclamations of delight came from our friends as many of them saw for the first time the beautiful new wing that has recently been completed. Many of the guests expressed their appreciation for the work of the institution, and it was felt that Hospital Day was a success. J. M. Cox

*Press and Extension Secretary,
 Southern Union Conference*

DO IT NOW!

One boy takes days trying to decide which book he will read. While this boy hesitates and wishes he could make up his mind, another boy reads both books!

While one man debates with himself whether he should spray the orchard or plant the corn and hardly gets to either job before noon, his neighbor having chosen his work at least the day before, is up early, has the spraying finished before noon, and a wide strip of plowing done before night.

A conscientious Christian fears that he will plant the seed of truth in the wrong place and becomes unnatural and awkward in the painful efforts he does finally make. Another person, just as earnest but more decisive, lives a friendly, helpful life in his community and has already sown gospel seed either in the morning or in the evening, whenever the occasion was right.

"Today is the day of salvation" ex-

presses a great and fundamental principle. Procrastination is truly the thief of time. Putting off until tomorrow what might better be done today can bring only defeat and disappointment. Christians need to be ahead of schedule rather than behind time. They should be driving their work rather than being driven by it.

Some youth purpose to get an education, and fill every day with some part of their plan. They are looking ahead and consequently have few surprises and fewer disappointments. The summer may find them with book in hand working on a course that less decisive youth would choose too late to finish before school begins again.

A short course finished during the summer can often make room for a specialty at school that otherwise would be missed. Sometimes it is very desirable to catch up with the class procession that for some unavoidable reason left a student behind.

If you know of a youth needing a word of encouragement to get him started towards a desirable goal, now is the time to speak it. If you are a youth of purpose and industry and a course of study this summer can help you toward your goal, make your choice; begin today. Do it now!

W. HOMER TEESDALE, *President
 Home Study Institute*

STUDIES ON CREATION WEEK

In the *Naturalist* for 1949 we are featuring a series of articles dealing with creation week. Many questions which are difficult to answer will be discussed frankly from the data found in the Bible and the Spirit of prophecy, as well as from the field of science.

The first issue for 1949 appeared early in April. It contains a twelve-

CHURCH CALENDAR

June 4—Home Missionary Day,
 Home Missionary-Evangelism
 Offering

June 11—Foreign Mission Offering

page article on the evidences for the creation of our planet during creation week, based on material from the Spirit of prophecy. The second issue will appear early in June, and will contain a second article on creation, this time citing references from the Bible. The third article, to be published in the *Naturalist* in September, will deal with the meanings of the Hebrew words used in the story of creation week.

There are several controversial subjects to be discussed in these articles: (1) When was the substance of the earth created?—during creation week, about 6,000 years ago, or when the rest of the universe was created, millions of years ago? (2) When were the sun and moon created? What caused the day and night during the first three days of creation week? (3) Does the theory of dating the rocks of the earth by radioactive metals mean that the earth is two billion years old? These and many more questions will be considered in these important articles. Every Seventh-day Adventist should be familiar with these questions, and should be able to answer them to his own satisfaction from the data in the Bible and the Spirit of prophecy. Your subscription to the *Naturalist* will bring you this material, and will also help to make the magazine larger. Present plans call for making the *Naturalist* a monthly magazine if 2,500 subscribers can be found. Please send in your subscription at once to the *Naturalist*, College Place, Washington. The price is \$1.00 per year, and there are four issues with thirty to forty pages in each.

WHEN EVENING SHADOWS COME

By V. G. ANDERSON

The faithfulness of our elderly brethren and sisters who are laboring in the Southern Union is greatly appreciated. Recently I received a letter from Brother F. C. Bee, eighty-three years of age, who lives near Coalmont, Tennessee. His appeal in this personal

letter for more practical godliness is surely timely. As we enter upon the camp meeting season, may we all gain the experience that he mentions. The following is his letter, published with his permission.

"My dear Brother Anderson:

"I suppose you have heard that I am left alone, as far as human companionship is concerned. My dear wife with whom I labored over fifty years is no more. Her work is done and she rests. She fell in the harness on January 6. She had solicited over eight hundred dollars for Ingathering and other offerings, and came home to rest. She was taken sick; but her pains are over, and she is in safe keeping. I am the last of my family, except the son who is a minister in the Wisconsin Conference. I have a comfortable room, where I am caring for myself. I have my worship; that is all. God has blessed me with all I need and some to bless others with.

"When I left my wife's grave, I promised God I would be faithful to every ray of light He sent me; I would restudy His requirements and be true. He is my constant Companion and Helper, and all the angels are sent when I need them to make me strong in Him. My prayers are taking the form of thanksgiving and praise for all He is to me.

"During my membership of seventy-one years, I have worn out seven good Bibles and many of the books God has sent us through Sister White. I have learned many chapters and quotations that come to me in the hours of communion with God. Often whole nights, after an hour or two of sleep, are spent with God.

"As I read and reread God's instruction, the great contrast between the life of carnal indulgence of little sins, as we call them, and the perfect life our Pattern lived, is made clear to me. God has been good to us, His people; but what an insult to Him our lives must be—sinning and repenting—when He has made full provision for a perfect life like He lived while in human form. In the quiet hour, all alone with God, as I read that the larger portion of those who now have their names on the church books will never see the kingdom, it stirs my soul to cry out, 'Spare thy people, oh, my God!'

"Then we are told that Jesus would have come years ago had His people

been ready. Is it not time we gave a little more thought to how this condition of things can be changed? It is wonderful the number that are being added to the body. But when we compare the added membership and added facilities and added cash income with the early days of the message, we are not really doing what was done back there.

"We are told, 'Heaven's perfection is our power.' As we talk of and contemplate the perfect life of Jesus, of what God wants of us, it will change our lives. I am alarmed as I contrast the life of Jesus with the life we have been satisfied with. We are told we must talk more of the mighty power of Christ. He is able to do exceedingly above all we ask or think. Promises will do us no good, unless we add to our faith the keeping power of the daily food God has provided. No wonder Joel says, 'Blow the trumpet; . . . sound an alarm.' Is it not time that we wept between the porch and the altar? The porch is the entrance to the church; the altar is the back; the people in between need personal work, a cleansing, a highway made for our God.

"Do people see Jesus living His sinless life in us day by day? Are we reflecting the image of Jesus fully? These are the vital questions we all need to ask ourselves. God is giving me a new view of myself. When I am crucified with Christ, I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me by faith. It is His faith, not mine; His life, not mine. God wants a perfect people, Oh, that we all could be born again of the Word of God that endureth forever! A continual life of victory is what God wants now. He is trying to make up a definite number of perfect people, without spot or wrinkle. Then He will come. The sealing work has been going on for over one hundred years. How much longer, Brother Anderson?

"Cannot our camp meetings be different this year, with a new note of victory? It seems to me we need more humility of soul, of confessing our own helplessness. God is doing great things. But what could He do if He had a clean people in whom He could dwell and live His perfect life of daily victory! We were originally created for His glory, but all have sinned and come short of His glory. God dwells in a high and holy place,

LISTEN EVERY SUNDAY TO THE



BOX 55, LOS ANGELES 53, CALIF.

SUBJECTS FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS

June 5—"The Faith of Jesus"

June 12—"Parables of Grace"

Invite your friends and neighbors to listen to the Voice of Prophecy.

with Him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit. Does the world see Jesus in the new members and the old ones?

"I got up at two o'clock this morning impressed to write to you. What I should write, I did not know. But I began to write as the thoughts came to me. Life is taking on a deeper meaning to me. There must be a new power outside of ourselves. God has victory for us in Jesus, not in any struggle and effort we may make.

"My heart is full. Oh, if I could only be more help. But God knows it all and is working all things together for His glory, and He is giving me 'songs in the night.'

"Back in the early days, seventy-one years ago, at the camp meeting, between four and five in the morning you could step outside your tent and listen, and you would hear dear old Elder Haskell, Elder White, or Elder Andrews out in the woods pleading with God to send the people to hear and to give the minister power to preach the word. The crowds came by the trainload, men on top of the cars; they were so crowded they could not get inside. Thousands of people listened to Sister White speak for an hour, standing around the packed tent. All was perfect quiet. I was baptized at that meeting. There the prayer and message of power gripped my young heart; I could never get away from them. Oh, that such power would return to God's people!

"Jesus spent whole nights out in the garden among the trees. The disciples slept; He prayed, and came forth in the morning refreshed for the duties of a new day. God has not changed. It is we, not Him. Had the

disciples kept awake that night in the garden, they would not have denied and forsaken Him. We are told these disciples represented a sleeping church in these closing days. 'Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.'

"Just offer a prayer that God will keep me true to Him."

RURAL HOMES

Scores of new listings have come in from all the states of homes, farms, business opportunities in rural communities which might be attractive to Adventists who desire to get out of the cities. Copies of this eighth listing may be obtained without charge by addressing a request to: Carlyle B. Haynes, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Washington 12, D. C.

Southern Missionary College

Kenneth A. Wright, President
"The School of Standards"
Collegedale, Tennessee

COMMENCEMENT AT SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE

Southern Missionary College holds its thirty-third annual commencement exercises this year on the campus at Collegedale from June 3 to 5. On this occasion twenty-eight four-year baccalaureate seniors will receive their degrees, and nineteen two-year graduates will be awarded certificates. Inasmuch as the secondary school, the Collegedale Academy, graduates a week earlier, the college commencement exercises will be for the college classes only.

The 1949 commencement exercises will all be held in the tabernacle owned by the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. The recent enlargement and improvement of this edifice will make it more than adequate for the fifteen hundred persons who are expected to attend the exercises.

The program begins at 8:00 P.M., June 2, with a consecration service for the seniors. On this occasion Elder Leif Kr. Tobiassen will be the speaker. The following morning at 11:00 A.M. the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Elder W. O. Reynolds of

Miami, Florida. The degrees and certificates will be awarded at the commencement exercise, scheduled for 10:00 A.M. Sunday, June 5. The commencement address will be delivered by Elder George Vandeman, of the Ministerial Department of the General Conference. Degrees and awards will be presented by Professor K. A. Wright, president of the college.

F. O. RITTENHOUSE, *Dean*
Southern Missionary College

LIBRARY NEEDS AT S.M.C.

Believing that our people throughout the Southern Union, and elsewhere, are interested, with us, in making the library of Southern Missionary College as adequate as possible for the training of our young people, we are soliciting the assistance of the readers of the SOUTHERN TIDINGS to help us in completing our files of denominational periodicals. We need back issues of our papers for the following years and dates: *Review and Herald*, 1928 and all years before; *Youth's Instructor*, 1930 or before; also 1943, and April 23, 1946; *Watchman*, 1921 or before; *Signs of the Times*, 1921 or before; *Sabbath School Worker*, 1909, 1910, 1922; *Church Officer's Gazette*, 1943 or earlier; *Ministry*, February of 1941, March of 1943, August of 1944, and February of 1947; *Liberty*, third quarter of 1923, first quarter of 1925, and second quarter of 1926; *Life and Health*, 1927 or earlier.

If you possess any of these issues and would be willing to donate them to the college library please correspond with Herman C. Ray, Library, Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tennessee, and list the issues you can supply. It would be best to await word from us before shipping magazines. Or if you can advise us as to where copies of these issues can be located, we shall appreciate your suggestions. S. D. BROWN, *Librarian*

Alabama-Mississippi

Box 1311, Meridian, Mississippi
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TWENTIETH CENTURY LENDING LIBRARY

In connection with the work of the Twentieth Century Bible School, there is great opportunity for the circulation

of our truth-filled books. About two years ago we began to promote the Free Lending Library in a strong way. At once the figures began to climb. From lending about a dozen books a month, we soared to an average of nearly 800 books a month. A good proportion of these are bought by our students, which takes care of the expense of operating the library and provides a revenue for the school besides. During 1948 we lent 7,227 message-filled books. Our hearts thrill on Mondays and Thursdays, the library days, as these stacks of books are put in the mail. The secret of the success of the Lending Library is faithfulness in sending out reminder cards every month.

A few excerpts from our letters will serve to show how the Bible School students feel about this service. Many have read literally dozens of our books till we scarcely know what to send next. This intensive seed-sowing is bound to bring a golden harvest of souls.

"'God in the Shadows' surely has been an inspiration to me. I have read it several times."

"Thanks a million for a wonderful book." ("Daniel and Revelation.")

"I cannot gather words enough to express my thanks and deep appreciation to you for giving me the chance to read such wonderful books."

"Thanks for the book, 'Steps to Christ.' My family read it, and they say it is one of the best books they ever read. I am paying for it, as I want to pass it on to others."

"I can't find words that would express my appreciation for your kindness in lending me books."

"Rest assured that I read every book from beginning to end and enjoy them all."

"I am sending stamps for the book, as we all love it." ("Bedtime Stories.")

Please pray for the many readers of these books, that the truth will take root in every honest heart.

TWENTIETH CENTURY BIBLE SCHOOL

SABBATH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Each Sabbath school in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference is now making plans for a rally day on June 18. The best days are ahead for the Sabbath schools in the conference, and we believe that many who do not attend now will soon become regular

members. We hope that the consecration service held on this Sabbath will be one of the greatest Sabbath school revivals ever experienced in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference.

The servant of the Lord says:

"The Sabbath school work is important, and all who are interested in the truth should endeavor to make it prosperous." TSS, page 109.

"There is a most precious missionary field in the Sabbath school, and if there are now omens of good, they are only indications and beginnings of what may be done." TSS, page 29.

May the Lord richly bless all the Sabbath schools as they plan this important service.

L. D. PRATT

Sabbath School Secretary

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C. H. Lauda, President

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INVESTITURE FINALS

Investiture season in the Carolinas was climaxed with a service in the Asheville church at 7:30 on Sunday night, May 22. A similar service was held in the church at Kingstree, South Carolina, on Thursday night, May 19. In both of these meetings I had the privilege of conducting the Investiture ceremonies.

In the Kingstree service on May 19 the five pupils of Mrs. Kersey gave first a short close-of-school program of dialogs and songs featuring healthful living. Then, in a darkened room with the dim light from a simulated camp fire, the juniors presented some of the features of the progressive class work. Careful planning and preparation were much in evidence throughout the whole program. Two Busy Bees, one Builder, one Friend, and one Companion were invested with pins and neckerchiefs.

The Investiture at Asheville on May 22 was likewise a section of a large program marking the end of another school year. There was first a short program of readings and piano solos by the pupils of Miss Charlotte Haskell; the patriotic part included the pledge to the flag by the entire congregation. I endeavored to set forth what

the Lord hopes to accomplish for the boys and girls through the progressive classes, as a prelude to the investing of six Busy Bees, two Sunbeams, six Builders, three Helping Hands, one Friend, and one Companion.

The concluding item was an impressive dialog entitled, "The Keeper of the Keys," in which the two eighth-grade graduates came to the gateway at the entrance to a life of service and accomplishment and were challenged as to their fitness to enter, by the two youthful wardens at the gate. Youth, strength, ambition, were not enough; but love and the desire to serve others gained them the keys.

Another spring season of Investitures has closed. Most of our church school pupils have been invested in one or more of the classes. We believe this effort has not been wasted, that they will be better juniors because of their attainments in the classes. We thank the teachers and other helpers who have led these children forward, and we join them in praying that the juniors may be faithful to their pledge and law.

L. W. PETTIS

DORCAS FEDERATION MEETING

A Dorcas Federation meeting was held in the Raleigh, North Carolina, church on Sunday, April 10. There were representatives from the Winston-Salem, Durham, and Raleigh churches. A car load of visitors came from the Wilmington Dorcas Society. Mrs. B. H. Markham of Winston-Salem presided at the meeting. Mrs. O. R. Gallagher was elected secretary-treasurer. Elder R. H. Fickling, home missionary secretary of the Carolina Conference, was present to give assistance. The reports from the various churches showed that the societies are very active.

One reported that they had purchased a wheelchair to be lent without charge to the needy.

This same society, Winston-Salem, reported that late one Friday they learned of a family who had been left destitute that day. By sundown the next night, the Dorcas Society had practically set them up in housekeeping again. What a happy Sabbath of doing good that must have been!

After a good lunch, which the Raleigh church provided in the church school room, the meeting was again called to order. E. M. Spivey from

Winston-Salem gave a very practical talk on the various phases of missionary work that can be done, as illustrated by Bible characters.

The highlight of the meeting was a talk by Mrs. Ben Mondics, who is visiting her people in Wilmington. Elder Mondics is one of our young ministers in the Middle East, and Mrs. Mondics has been teaching in the Middle East College in Beirut, Lebanon. She told of the beginnings of our college work and the hardships they had to undergo. Things are much better now, but still the needs are great. There is a great need for a home economics department in the college. Mrs. Mondics said that one of the most important things for our young ministers over there is to have good wives. So these girls need to be taught the things they learn in home economics. She thought perhaps that the Dorcas Societies in this Federation would be interested in supplying some of the things they need.

The Wilmington society has caught the spirit, and they have already sent over a large box of patterns, dress materials, and other items. They also have a large box of kitchen utensils almost in readiness to be sent. They are going to try to send them a Singer sewing machine. To avoid prohibitive duty charges, all items must be used at least once, so that they can be classed as "used merchandise." They need a set of dishes, mixing bowls (preferably stainless steel), an oil stove with an oven, scissors, and in fact everything that goes with teaching cooking and sewing.

The Durham church contributed \$10 toward a set of dishes. The Raleigh church is working on a project for them, and I am sure that all of the societies in this Federation, as well as others, will want to help in this good work. The address is: Middle East College, Box 1170, Beirut, Lebanon.

The next Federation meeting for this district will be held in Greensboro sometime in October.

MRS. O. R. GALLAGHER, *Secretary*

Satan's armies are many, and God's people must be spread over all the world, planting the standard of truth in the dark places of the earth and doing their utmost to destroy Satan's kingdom.—*Evangelism*, by Ellen G. White, page 18.

Florida

Box 1313, Orlando, Florida
R. H. Nightingale, President
W. F. Miller, Treasurer

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HOSPITAL DAY AT TALLAHASSEE

May 12, as National Hospital Day, was celebrated by the Forsyth Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital at Tallahassee, Florida. An interesting program had been arranged by Mr. F. G. Winters, business manager.

Elder F. W. Avery and the nurses from the Florida Sanitarium in Orlando presented several musical numbers. We were happy, too, that Richard Ervin, State Attorney General, could meet with us. He spoke very highly of the medical work Seventh-day Adventists are doing and expressed his appreciation in particular for the hospital in Tallahassee.

After the program all guests were invited to make a tour through the institution. Many appeared to be impressed with the improvements made and the cleanliness they observed.

Surely the medical work is the "right arm" of the message and the "entering wedge," when rightly conducted. We are impressed with the fact that the Forsyth Memorial Sanitarium is located in a key place in our state, where we may make friends with many people and contact them with the truth.

We appreciate the work that is being done by Dr. W. E. Westcott and Dr. Gerald Larson, also the entire staff connected with the sanitarium.

At the present time our great need is a hydrotherapy department. Please pray for the medical work in Tallahassee.

R. H. NIGHTINGALE

COLPORTEUR INSTITUTE

On April 27 and 28 many of the students of Forest Lake Academy enjoyed a student colporteur institute. It was one of real inspiration. Elder B. E. Wagner, union publishing department secretary, was with us; also Brother R. L. Chamberlain and Brother G. Sisson.

The two days were filled with interesting instruction. A fine spirit was manifested among the students, and several have determined to join in the literature ministry. With these, and the

college students who will be working here this summer, we know that we are going to have a large group of workers carrying on the wonderful work of distributing the printed page. Some of the students of Forest Lake Academy will be going to Alabama-Mississippi, some to Georgia-Cumberland, and others will be working in Florida.

These are days of real opportunity, and we take pleasure in inviting our youth to enter the colporteur work. It is a noble enterprise, and we know that each one who goes out this summer will gain a rich experience as he labors in faith for the Lord.

We appreciate very much the cooperation of Elder H. M. Lodge and the faculty at Forest Lake Academy in helping to make this institute a success. We are looking for greater days in the future for our literature work with academy students.

C. L. WILBER,

Publishing Department Secretary

FLORIDA JUNIOR CAMP

Good news, juniors! At last we are able to tell you where and when our junior camp is going to be held this year. We have leased the state-owned Silver Lake Organization Camp, which is located near Tallahassee, for August 7 to 14. This is a beautiful camp in the Apalachicola National Forest. It has a spring-fed, sand-bottom lake which will afford excellent swimming and boating. There are sixteen cabins which will take care of ten juniors each. In addition, there is a staff house, two large recreational shelters, two bath houses, a camp-fire circle, and two swimming piers with diving boards.

We have arranged with Forest Lake Academy for their two school busses to be used in taking juniors to the camp. One bus will start at Miami, with the Ft. Pierce, West Palm Beach, and Miami juniors. It will cross the coast to Ft. Myers and go north through Tampa to Tallahassee. The other bus will leave Orlando and go through Daytona Beach, St. Augustine, and Jacksonville on the way to camp.

The camp cost this year is \$12.00 for all juniors who live south of the Ft. Pierce-Ft. Myers line. Those who live north of this line but south of Ocala will pay \$13.00. \$14.00 will be the fee for all who live north of Ocala. The round-trip transportation charges

will be \$10.00 from the Miami section, \$7.50 from the Tampa-Orlando section, and 5.00 from the Ocala-Jacksonville section. Any juniors who come from outside of our conference and who arrange their own transportation will be charged \$14.00.

Watch the SOUTHERN TIDINGS for more information about the camp.

LEE CARTER

ORLANDO'S RECREATION PROGRAM

"What would you like to do tonight, friend—skate, play baseball, volley ball, or pitch horseshoes?"

These are familiar words each Saturday night at the Greater Orlando Youth's Center. The young people of this vicinity are afforded a fine opportunity for wholesome Christian recreation in the great out-of-doors at the community center.

A cement area, 125 x 125 feet, encircled by an anchor fence and lighted with daylight overhead lights, provides adequately for skating. March music emanates from a turntable through a public address system.

From the time the Recreation Center opens, approximately a half hour after sundown, the ball field is also a popular place. The first game played is for juniors and lasts for one hour. Then the seniors take over the field for their game. Skating lasts until 9:15 P.M., at which time the senior men enjoy a lively volley ball game at one net and the juniors at another. On the sidelines, one can see ping pong games in progress, while just outside the fence, the horseshoe enthusiasts are out-pitching themselves. In still another spot, on alternate nights, moving pictures are shown and nature stories related.

Approximately once a month, a community covered-dish supper is held, in which the members of the three churches in Greater Orlando lend a helping hand, both materially and financially. All food is donated and then everyone buys his supper. The proceeds are used to improve the Center and to pay operating costs. Recent improvements include a building to house the snack bar and the skate box, as well as providing a storehouse for all equipment. One supper each quarter is sponsored by the Home and School Association, and these proceeds are used by the Association in their school-year projects.

The success of the youth-centered program depends entirely on the support given it by local church members. Among the many folk who give of their time and energy in supervising and staffing the Recreation Center, special thanks go to Max Tindall, Charles Keslake, George Thomson, Bob Foster, John Strickle, O. H. Rudisalle, H. H. King, John Ahrlich, B. E. Taylor, H. A. McClellan, Frank Ferree, and Dan Suhrie. These supervisors can be found each Saturday night at their respective posts of duty from the time the Center opens until it closes. Without this loyalty, such a program as the Youth's Center affords would be materially weakened and ineffective. We heartily commend these brethren for their support, and recommend such a program for the youth of each community as an active means of soul saving in our own churches.

LUCILLE T. MCCLELLAN,
Greater Orlando Youth's Council

NEWS NOTES

★ On Sabbath, May 21, Elder R. H. Nightingale met with our people in Belle Glade. He reports that in the afternoon two more were baptized, which brings the number to nine from the present effort. It is possible, too, that there will be another baptism on Sabbath, May 28. The workers are anticipating a number of others to be baptized after camp meeting.

★ At the time this number of the TIDINGS reaches our people, many will be on their way to camp meeting. We hope that all who cannot be present for the entire time will be with us on the campground during each week end.

★ Elder C. C. Balser reports a good interest in his recent effort. Eight have recently been baptized.

Georgia-Cumberland

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NEW MONTEAGLE CHURCH OPENED

The beautiful new church building at Monteagle, Tennessee, was used for the first time on Sabbath, May 14, when it was filled to capacity by local

members and friends, together with members from Altamont and other near-by churches. This building, measuring 28x71 feet not including a large el for Sabbath school and church school purposes, was designed by Sister Asa Waterman and constructed by the local members under the supervision of Brother Waterman. Most of the materials came from an army chapel which had been purchased and transported to the site by members of the church.

As we saw what had been accomplished by this small group, it truly seemed as if a miracle had been wrought. The present membership at Monteagle is small and their finances are limited, but they have gone forward in faith and God has rewarded their vision and work with a church edifice which, when fully completed, will be worth at least \$15,000. There is no debt whatever on this building. The main auditorium is finished and nicely furnished. It will seat about 150. Two of the members, L. C. Swallen and A. E. Johnson, each donated more than 1,100 hours of faithful and painstaking labor to this enterprise which stands as a monument to their loyalty and devotion.

Elder I. M. Evans, president of the conference, was the speaker at this first regular Sabbath morning service, which was preceded by a most excellent Sabbath school program, with Sister L. C. Swallen serving as superintendent. The noon meal, served on the lawn of Brother and Sister Mulford's spacious home, was indeed a credit to the ladies of the church. In the afternoon the visiting ministers took part in a symposium. A special feature which all enjoyed was the violin solos played by Brother Donald West of Southern Missionary College.

And thus another monument now stands as a witness for the cause of truth. The dreams and prayers and faith of our Monteagle members have been rewarded. We wish them every blessing.

R. S. BLACKBURN

VICTORY!

God has marvelously blessed our united efforts in the 1949 Ingathering campaign. Our conference goal of \$60,000 has been secured. Surely we should praise God from whom all blessings flow!

At this writing, forty-seven churches are over their assigned goals. In the

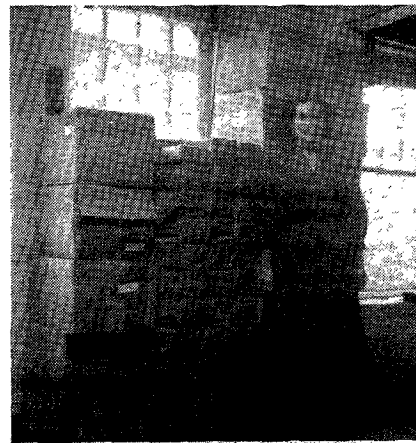
name of perishing souls, and with the end of all things at hand, we earnestly appeal to the eight churches which have not yet achieved victory to continue working until they, too, have joined the victorious group.

We congratulate and commend our faithful ministers, Bible instructors, church officers, and our devoted members for their cooperation in this year's Ingathering program. Such a grand achievement could not have been possible without such loyal teamwork and consecrated enthusiasm. Our hearts have been moved by your glorious response. In the final day of reckoning, I am sure there will be many souls in the kingdom as a result of this year's Ingathering.

V. W. ESQUILLA, *Secretary*
Home Missionary Department

A COLPORTEUR'S REWARD

Knowing that our people throughout the field have a desire to see God's work prosper along every line, we believe you will be interested in the accompanying picture which was taken a short time ago when Mrs. Evelyn Hall came into our office to pick up the books she planned to deliver in the vicinity of Carrollton, Georgia.



Mrs. Evelyn Hall

Mrs. Hall had worked hard to obtain orders for this truth-filled literature and prayed very earnestly that God would give her a good delivery. Her efforts were rewarded with wonderful success, for when she returned to the office to settle her account a few days later, she reported that her delivery had totaled \$1,314.50, which represented practically every book shown in the picture.

The most interesting part of this story, however, is the fact that one of the ladies to whom Mrs. Hall delivered a set of *Bedtime Stories* on this particular occasion was at our Sabbath service in Atlanta two or three weeks ago, searching for truth. She had been impressed to investigate because of Mrs. Hall's visit to her home.

Many people everywhere are earnestly seeking for light. May the Lord impress our believers to share their faith with others by means of the literature ministry.

R. L. CHAMBERLAIN,
Publishing Department Secretary

INVESTMENT ENTHUSIASM

On Sabbath, April 9, the Sabbath school Investment program for this year was launched throughout our field, and enthusiastic reports are now coming in from our superintendents. We learn that a number of the Sabbath schools have plans to raise not the minimum individual goal of \$2.00, but \$3.00 per member.

In a recent visit to one of our largest Sabbath schools, I discovered Investment enthusiasm at a high pitch. The members of this Sabbath school pledged almost one hundred per cent to have an active part in Investment for 1949. This group of Seventh-day Adventists has determined to respond to the appeal of the opening doors in mission lands. Investment will help them answer these pleas, and I know that the Sabbath schools in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference will respond by making this year a banner year for Investment. Let us ever keep before us our slogan: "Get a project, set a goal, work your best, and save a soul."

V. W. ESQUILLA

BRISTOL CHURCH BAPTISM

A baptism at the Bristol, Tennessee, church took place on May 7, following the presentation of a Mother's Day program. The candidates were a young couple, Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Taylor.

Mrs. Taylor found the message through the interest of an alert lay brother in the Wytheville Sanitarium of Virginia, where she was taken for an emergency operation. One day Brother George Brown, an employee of the sanitarium, was sent to repair the signal light in the room

JUNIOR CAMPERS —

TAKE NOTICE —

BE PREPARED!

Your application blanks for the Junior Camp at Roosevelt State Park, Chipley, Georgia, will soon be in the mail.

We hope you will be ready as soon as you receive your application blank, so that you may fill it in and return it to us right away. We shall be looking for your applications!

JUNIORS, are you planning to come to camp meeting? We want you there. Just this morning I had a letter from our Junior Camp water front director in which he says he hopes he can have a big powwow with all of you juniors at camp meeting.

If all goes as planned, he will have some pictures which will be of interest to you. Plan now to be at camp meeting, and then plan to be at Junior Camp later.

WARD A. SCRIVEN,
M. V. Secretary

where Mrs. Taylor was recovering. During the course of their conversation, she ventured to ask him several questions about Seventh-day Adventists. Knowing that Mrs. Taylor would soon be leaving the hospital, Brother Brown arranged for studies in the home of this couple.

Bible studies were given for many weeks before the Taylors moved to Bristol. Even then the contact did not cease, for the Browns made a trip to Bristol to visit and encourage the Taylors, until the beginning of a series of evangelistic meetings held at the Bristol church by the pastor of the Johnson City district. The contact having then been made locally, it was followed by visitation, Bible study, and prayer. Brother Taylor did not hesitate to join his wife in her decision to unite with the church. Although beset with a long-standing smoking habit, our brother found wondrous deliverance in Jesus.

We wish this couple God's richest blessings in their union with the brotherhood of Advent believers.

A. J. HIRSCH, *Pastor*
Johnson City District

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE OF S.D.A.

Notice is hereby given that the Executive Committee of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is calling a special session of this conference to be held in connection with the camp meeting at Collegedale, Tennessee. The first meeting is called for 8:00 P.M. Wednesday, June 15, 1949. This session is called for the purpose of electing a conference president. Each church in the conference is entitled to one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each ten members or major fraction thereof. -23

I. M. EVANS, *President*

R. S. BLACKBURN, *Secretary*

Kentucky-Tennessee

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W. E. Strickland, *President*

C. W. Higgins, *Secretary-Treasurer*

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CAMP MEETING INFORMATION

Highland Academy and the camp grounds are between Portland and Gallatin, Tennessee, one-half mile off Highway 109, five miles south of Portland and ten miles north of Gallatin. On the east side of the highway is the sign pointing the way to the academy and the campground.

L & N trains Nos. 3 and 7 from the north, and 2 and 8 from the south stop at Portland. Cars will meet these trains both Thursday and Friday, June 16 and 17.

Busses from the north and south stop at Gallatin.

Persons arriving by train at Portland or bus at Gallatin, who find no camp car waiting, should call Portland 3902, and an automobile will be sent for you. Charges are: one or more persons, up to four, \$1.50, to or from Gallatin; and one or more persons up to four, 75 cents to or from Portland. -23

SABBATH SCHOOL INVESTMENT

The Sabbath School Investment is a plan that enlists the services of all who are interested in taking the Lord into partnership in a special way. The Investment in this conference has been an important factor in supplementing

the regular Sabbath school offerings.

In 1948 the Lawrenceburg Sanitarium church in Tennessee led the conference in the Investment project, having raised more than \$1,000. Memphis stood a close second. Of course, it may be that in 1949 Lawrenceburg will again hold the record. Time will tell.

J. O. MARSH

PROMISE FULFILLED

One of our workers recently wrote us:

"Early this morning I heard the doorbell ring. When I answered, there stood one of our new church members. With tears in his eyes he told me that he had been withholding some tithe. He showed me the article in the TIDINGS written by Brother Simons and said that was what made him realize that he should give it to the Lord."

Just this morning we have another letter from the same worker relative to this experience, and we want to share it with the readers of the TIDINGS:

"You remember the experience I wrote you about Brother paying the tithe he withheld. At that time I asked him to build the steps on our church lot because he was out of work. Praise the Lord, he has been so busy since that time that he hasn't had time to put the steps in! How the Lord does bless a faithful tithepayer!"

C. W. HIGGINS

REVIVAL IN LOUISVILLE

A revival was held in the Louisville church, April 17 to 25, by Dr. J. W. McComas of Los Angeles, California. It was thrilling to see the church auditorium, with a capacity of five hundred, packed every night. On the closing night chairs were placed in the aisles, the balcony was full; and the greatest crowd the church has known in its history, over six hundred, crowded in to hear Dr. McComas speak on the subject, "Standing by the Cross."

Backsliders were reclaimed, many gave up tobacco, some were healed, and ten took their stand and were baptized. Three others are to be baptized soon.

There were many who testified to the wonderful way in which God blessed them. One said:

"I determined I would never be a Seventh-day Adventist. I would give my wife as little money as possible, for

fear she would give it to the church. I did believe, however, that the end was near, and thinking that Dr. McComas might say something that would help, I decided to attend the meetings. I attended every meeting, but I was still determined not to surrender. On Thursday night as the call was made to kneel in surrender to Christ, I sat in my seat. Someone touched me about that time and asked me to kneel. I did. I had been smoking sixty cigars a week. I decided then and there to quit smoking. On the last Sabbath afternoon of the meetings, I was still determined not to go all the way. When the call was made, it seemed as though something just carried me to the front, where I gave my heart to God. I asked my associate in business for the Sabbath off. It was granted, but not without difficulty. On May 14, 1949, I went forward in baptism, and now my wife and son and I are rejoicing in the truth."

Another business man, who had opposed the message but gave his heart to God during the meeting, declared:

"I told my employer that I would like to attend church services on Saturday, April 16, and that I would like to have that day off. He asked me what was my religion, and I told him that my wife and daughter were Seventh-day Adventists, and that they attended church at 1621 South Fourth Street, and that I would like to do likewise. He informed me that I would have to labor on Sundays in the event that they did need me, to which I readily agreed, and have been doing so since that time."

All felt that truly the Holy Spirit pervaded the meetings all the way through and that God richly blessed in so many ways

CALVIN OSBORN, *Pastor,*
Louisville Church

TEMPERANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM IN JACKSON, TENNESSEE

For four years now I have been supplying the faculties and students of our Jackson colleges and other schools annually with temperance literature, using chiefly the annual Temperance Signs.

In this work this year I used 1,000 temperance bulletins, 1,500 of the anti-narcotic number of *Our Little Friend*, 9,800 leaflets against liquor and tobacco, and 13,000 of the eight-page

Temperance Tracts Nos. 4, 5, 6, and 7. I put seven and eight of these in envelopes, using 3,250 envelopes in all.

Besides our twelve schools here, I have supplied four other schools in the county, using in all over 25,000 pieces of literature.

In connection with this work, I, with others, have been privileged to speak to the students on temperance. Elder H. R. Veach, our evangelist, visited a number of these schools and gave temperance sound film lectures which were much appreciated and did lasting good, I feel sure.

The teachers of our Jackson schools are receiving the temperance bulletin quarterly. The magazine *Listen* is going to the city library and all school libraries and to seven of my personal friends who liberally aided me in financing this program.

W. G. MILLER,

Temperance Secretary, Jackson church

"REVIEW" CAMPAIGN

Have you taken advantage of the special Centenary subscription offer? If you are not subscribing to the *Review and Herald*, by sending in the special negotiable coupon of 50 cents and \$3.25 in addition, you can receive this wonderful paper for one year. This special price applies to both new subscriptions and renewals.

NEWS NOTE

★ Elder J. D. Dobbs had an automobile accident on Thursday night, May 19. He reports that while returning from young people's meeting his auto skidded off the road and turned over, landing in a creek. The car was badly damaged, but he received only a few bruises. We are very glad that Elder Dobbs came through the accident with no serious injury.

★ Elder J. M. Cox has been working in Sumner County, Tennessee, soliciting money for the Fountain Head Sanitarium improvements. He and Brother W. D. Walton have made some good contacts, and we hope that his stay will be very successful.

★ Brother Paul Felt reports that the Nicholasville, Kentucky, company is over its Ingathering goal. Congratulations! This makes twenty-six churches and companies that have reached the Minuteman goal.

★ Mrs. Lillian Davis Harold stopped by the office with her husband for a few minutes on May 23. Mrs. Harold

was formerly one of our Twentieth Century Bible Course secretaries. At the present time she and Mr. Harold are with the sanitarium in Reeves, Georgia.

BIBLE HOUSE NEWS

The third quarter Sabbath school supplies are now ready, and we would appreciate it very much if you will place your orders immediately, so that there will be no delay in sending out these quarterly supplies. If we should happen to run short, it would then be possible for us to order extra and get them to you in time for the first Sabbath of the new quarter.

If your Sabbath school supplies are

not on a regular yearly basis, then place your order at once, so that we will be sure to get your supplies to you in time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Next month is camp meeting time, and every person who is planning to attend camp meeting will surely want to see the big book display. We urge you to plan now to purchase a large amount of our books, for they are the aids that will help you spiritually all during the year. We will have specials on Bibles, the writings of the Spirit of prophecy and others. We will also have the King's Heralds records, and we know that you will want to purchase a supply of these for your record player.

1949 Camp Meeting Order Blank

Mr. C. W. Higgins, Treasurer
3208 West End Avenue
Nashville 5, Tennessee

Date

Please find checked below my order for accommodations at the coming camp meeting to be held on the Highland Academy campus from June 16 to 25, 1949: Amount

Room in dormitory for entire time, 2 single beds, \$15.00..\$

Room in dormitory for entire time, 3 single beds, \$18.00..\$

Room other than dormitory, 2 single beds, \$12 00.....\$

Dormitory ward, shared with others, for _____ days at
\$1.75 per day per person\$

Family tent, without floor, \$6.00.....\$

Family tent, with half floor, if available, \$7.00.....\$

_____ Beds, double, \$1.25 each\$

_____ Beds, single, .75 each\$

_____ Mattresses, double, \$1.25 each\$

_____ Mattresses, single, .75 each.....\$

_____ Chairs, .25 each\$

_____ Tables, regular, \$1.00 each\$

_____ Tables, small bedside, .25 each\$

Be sure to bring your own linen, bedding, and pillows, as they will not be provided.

Date of arrival and number of
days you expect to be at camp

Enclosed find deposit of \$..... (\$2.00 deposit required
with order.) -23

Name

Address

The Journey's End

*"Blessed are the dead which die in
the Lord." Revelation 14:13*

WILSON:—Mrs. Mary Ellen Wilson was born in St. John's County, Florida, in 1880, and fell asleep in St. Augustine, February 26, 1949. She was a faithful member of the St. Augustine Seventh-day Adventist church until the day of her death. Sister Wilson was considered a very devout Christian by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn nine children, two sisters, and five brothers. She was the only member of her family in the Adventist faith. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Elder I. C. Pound. FRANK D. WELLS

WHITLOCK:—James Walter Whitlock was born on January 9, 1919, in Covington, Kentucky, to Rose and John Whitlock. He attended the Covington Seventh-day Adventist church school and was baptized into that faith at an early age. On June 24, 1938, he was married to Besse DeArmond. In 1944 he went overseas, serving with the 1306th Combat Engineers Corps in England. He died in England on June 8, 1944, at the age of twenty-five years. He is survived by his widow, a brother, John Whitlock; and a sister, Mrs. Martha Moser, all of Covington; a cousin, Mrs. Esther Stedfeld, of Erlanger, Kentucky; and a host of friends. Words of comfort and assurance in the power of the resurrection of Jesus were spoken at the graveside by the writer on April 6, 1949. Walter was laid to rest in the Zachery Taylor Memorial National Cemetery in Louisville, Kentucky, beneath the Stars and Stripes, and with the sound of a gun salute and taps, to await the soon call of the Saviour. C. L. WHITE

ATWELL:—Laura Rose Atwell was born in Ashtabula County, Ohio, June 20, 1861. In 1892 she accepted the third angel's message and shortly afterward became the private secretary to Dr. J. H. Kellogg. Some years later she was married to O. C. Atwell. In 1926 Brother and Sister Atwell moved to Knoxville, Tennessee, to make their home with their daughter, Ruth, who was then educational and Sabbath school secretary of the Cumberland Conference. After the death of her husband, when Ruth went to the mission field, Sister Atwell made her home with Brother and Sister Levering at Sevierville, Tennessee. Last July she moved to Pine Mountain Valley with Brother and Sister Yingling, where she fell asleep in Jesus on May 1 of this year. Funeral services were held in the Community Church at Pine Mountain Valley and Sister Atwell was laid to rest in the little cemetery there to await the call of the Lifegiver. Left to mourn are her two step-daughters: Mrs. Harold Yingling of Pine Mountain Valley, Georgia, and Mrs. Ruth LaSage, who is in the Philippines; also three nephews: Dr. R. R. Hilborn, P. A. Hilborn, and S. E. Hilborn. O. D. CARDEY

HARDISON:—Mrs. R. C. Hardison was born on May 7, 1884, and fell asleep on April 13, 1949. Sister Hardison accepted the message under the labors of Elder M. R. Garrett in 1944 and remained a faithful member of the Macon church until her death. Interment was made in the Jordan Chapel Cemetery, where she awaits the call of Jesus on the resurrection morning.

W. W. WALKER

POTTER:—Mrs. Charles C. Potter was born on March 22, 1870, and passed to her rest on April 15, 1949. She was a member of the Macon Seventh-day Adventist church and loved the church and her Saviour. Although crippled to the extent that she could scarcely walk, she was borne into the church every Sabbath by two of our brethren. The one desire that she expressed on the day of her death was that she might be able to attend church again. She died firm in the faith of the Advent hope and was laid to rest in the Snow Hill Cemetery, awaiting the call of the Lifegiver on the resurrection day.

W. W. WALKER

SHOEMAKER:—William Hardy Shoemaker passed to his rest in Jesus early on the morning of April 1, 1949. He was united in marriage to Sevilla Jane Hill on March 15, 1899, and they celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary a few days before his death. To this union were born ten children, and one was adopted. Two preceded him in death. Brother Shoemaker's faith in his Redeemer dates from early life. He joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1903 and remained faithful until death. Besides the immediate family he is survived by two brothers, three sisters, and other relatives and friends. Words of comfort were brought from the Word by the writer.

L. M. HEIFNER

WHITFORD:—Leon Monroe Whitford was born to a Seventh-day Adventist family at Adams Center, New York, in 1868, and died at the age of eighty-one in Orlando, Florida, on March 18, 1949. He joined the New England Sanitarium as an industrial department manager when it was first established there. When the sanitarium dairy was burned, he turned to his own dairy and conducted a general food business for about forty years. His many philanthropies in the homeland and foreign countries were most often directed to provide ways and means for young people in our colleges, academies, and rural schools, to help them secure a Christian training. He has built many college barns, dairies, and modern milk houses, as well as providing well-bred cattle and broad pastures for these institutions. A small army of Seventh-day Adventist youth, and the colleges where they trained, are indebted to him for their equipment and modern facilities in the field of his endeavors. After his retirement he wintered in Orlando, Florida, and in 1939, married Mrs. Blanche Markham, former superintendent of education of the New York Conference. He laid her to rest on April 21, 1948. They leave a host of friends in Orlando and other localities where they were known. Funeral services were conducted by Elder H. S. Prenier, and Brother Whitford was laid to rest in Adams Center, New York.

J. R. KENNEDY

CHURCH:—The many friends of Brother and Sister T. A. Church will be grieved to learn of the death of their son, Dale Wayne at birth, on March 19. Brother Don Schlunkert conducted a prayer service, and burial took place in the Willow Mount Cemetery at Shelbyville, Tennessee. Sister Church is getting along nicely. Through the influence of the two Seventh-day Adventist nurses who attended her in the hospital, Miss Sarah Hooper from Murfreesboro, and Mrs. T. S. Lewis of Shelbyville, several of the regular nurses on the hospital staff have been led to a desire to know more of our message and wish to attend services. Brother and Sister Church appreciate the prayers and sympathies of their friends throughout the conference.

TRAVIS:—James R. Travis, aged sixty-five, died in Nashville, Tennessee, on January 26, 1949, after a long illness. A native of Tennessee, he had lived in and around Nashville for the past twenty-two years and was a member of the Nashville Memorial Church. All his hopes were centered in the second coming of Christ. All through his illness he never complained but often spoke of the experiences of Job. He leaves to mourn: his companion, Mrs. Sally Travis; six children, Joseph Paul Travis and Mrs. B. F. Moore of Nashville, Mrs. R. E. Wilson, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; Miss Alberta Travis, Jackson, Mississippi; Mrs. Clarence Schnable, Birdsboro, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Ralph Valentine, Lebanon, Tennessee; and two sisters of Port Arthur, Texas. Elder E. L. Pingnot, pastor of the Nashville Memorial Church, spoke words of comfort. Brother Travis was laid to rest in the Riverside cemetery, near Woodbury, Tennessee, to await the call of his Saviour.

ORTNER:—Christian George Ortner was born at Hillsboro, Kansas, on November 8, 1892, and passed peacefully to rest at Atlanta, Georgia, on May 2, 1949. Brother Ortner gave his heart to God at the age of sixteen and lived a consistent Christian life to the time of his death. He was married to Marie Richards in Oklahoma City in August, 1917, to which union one daughter was born. After completing his education at Union College in Lincoln, Nebraska, Brother Ortner entered denominational work. During the ensuing years he served as treasurer of several conferences, as well as treasurer and auditor of the Southern Union Conference. In addition to his wife, Brother Ortner is survived by his daughters, Mrs. Virgil Winters of Decatur, Georgia; his mother, of Hutchinson, Kansas; six brothers: J. F. Ortner of Thomas, Oklahoma; G. G. Ortner of Hutchinson, Kansas; J. J. Ortner of Clinton, Missouri; I. G. Ortner of Arlington, California; A. G. Ortner of Lincoln, Nebraska; and S. E. Ortner of Lincoln, Nebraska; four sisters: Mrs. A. A. Friesen, Hutchinson, Kansas; Mrs. H. A. Curren, Glendale, California; Mrs. A. E. Hughes, Collegedale, Tennessee; and Mrs. Rudolph Johnson, Berrien Springs, Michigan; besides a host of friends. Elder W. J. Keith, assisted by Elder H. B. Taylor, conducted final services at the Blanchard Funeral Home in Atlanta, Georgia, following which our brother was laid to rest at the West View Cemetery in Atlanta.

FIELDS:—Miss Dorothy Elise Fields was born on December 25, 1933, and after a prolonged illness, passed to her rest on April 1, 1949. Dorothy was baptized into the Ft. Meade Seventh-day Adventist church about three years ago. Her faith in Christ as her Saviour was strong, and, in spite of her intense suffering during her long illness, she manifested a trustful and submissive spirit that was indeed beautiful to behold. She was laid to rest in New Hope cemetery, where she awaits the call of the Lifegiver.

J. R. YOUNG

CRAMER:—Mrs. Nettie May Cramer was born in Grand Rapids, Ohio, in 1867 and fell asleep at her home in Lake Worth, Florida, on March 12, 1949. In 1885 she was united in marriage to Henry R. Cramer in Grand Rapids, and twenty-seven years later they came to Lake Worth, where they built their home. Throughout her earthly sojourn she was a true mother in Israel, and countless friends testify to her genuine spirit of devotion to God and love to her fellow men. It was in the year 1939 that Sister Cramer joined the Seventh-day Adventist church, to which she remained faithful until the time of her death. Sister Cramer leaves to mourn one brother, William Snyder of Toledo, Ohio; two nieces and three nephews; two grandsons; and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Willie Cramer of Lake Worth, with whom she spent the last years of her life.

J. A. CREWS

LARSON:—Elder C. F. Larson was born in Wolbach, Nebraska, on November 16, 1892, and died at his home in Marietta, Georgia, on April 19, 1949. Following his graduation from Union College in 1922, Elder Larson accepted a call to the Platte Valley Academy in Nebraska, where he was preceptor for four years; then he and Sister Larson responded to a call for service in China, where they labored for over sixteen years. There Elder Larson bore pastoral responsibilities and served as principal of the Far Eastern Academy at Shanghai. During the recent world conflict, Elder and Sister Larson became war prisoners at the Stanley Prison Camp at Hong Kong, China. It seems that Elder Larson never fully regained his health from the rigors of this confinement. They returned to the United States on the Gripsholm in 1942 and, when they had sufficiently regained their health, were placed in charge of the Atlanta Dental Home, which proved an ideal arrangement for the comfort and spiritual life of Adventist dental students for over six years. Besides his wife, Elder Larson is survived by three sisters and one brother: Mrs. Anna Halstead, Arnold, Nebraska; Mrs. Christine Jensen, Dannebrog, Nebraska; Mrs. Marie Knowlton, Galt, California; and James Larson, Candler, North Carolina. The funeral service was conducted in the Atlanta Beverly Road Church by Dr. J. Russell Mitchell, who was assisted by Elders Harry B. Taylor and William J. Keith. Interment was in West View Cemetery at Atlanta, Georgia. The memory of Elder Larson's Christian life will long linger in the minds of the bereaved ones who have lost a companion, brother and friend, but they have assurance of a glorious reunion in the world to come.

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Nashville, Tenn.	7:00	7:04
Orlando, Fla.	7:19	7:22
Wilmington, N. C.	7:19	7:22

BAXTER:—Miss Mary Elizabeth Baxter was born in Kansas on November 18, 1883, and closed a life of faithful witnessing for her Master on April 14, 1949, at the Graysville Rest Home. Mary was converted at the age of sixteen, and attended Keene Academy, where she was also preceptress for some time. She entered the Bible work in the Oklahoma Conference and continued in this work until failing health confined her to her home. Though confined to her chair for seventeen years, she continued to witness for the Master: She was the treasurer of the Orlando, Florida, church for some years, and gave Bible studies to any who could come to her home for them. Her courage and faith have been an inspiration to many who come in contact with her. Through the many years of her affliction, she was tenderly attended by her mother, who at the time of her death was ninety-eight years of age. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Hattie Baxter of Graysville, Tennessee; two brothers, Elder W. E. Baxter, just returned from Columbia, South America, now of Graysville; Mr. T. B. Baxter of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and sister, Mrs. Mabel Wise of Elgin, Texas; four nephews and three nieces.

A. L. DICKERSON

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ELDER B. W. Lighthall is the superintendent of the Harriman, Tennessee, district. Concerning his recent work, he writes: "It was the happy privilege of Brother and Sister D. F. Chisholm and me to do some reaping as well as seed sowing during the past summer in Harriman. With high hopes we entered into our tent meeting, having advertised that we were Seventh-day Adventists. The attendance was small but steady, and we have since discovered that many listened who did not come into the tent.

"During the meetings we conducted a weekly radio broadcast, which made a favorable impression with many and has caused many to think and to change their opinion of us.

"At the conclusion of the meetings, eight took their stand and were baptized. The story does not end there, however, for others are being studied with who were contacted during the effort. Some of those who accepted present truth are giving it to others, and I find myself more than busy endeavoring to take care of these new interests.

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Elder B. W. Lighthall

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saying, "There it is!" But they did not attend. On Sunday night they decided to attend a tent meeting rather than go to a church. Not knowing that the tent meeting was being conducted by Seventh-day Adventists, they drove seventeen miles and came to the meeting. The subject for that night was the change of the Sabbath. As they listened to the sermon, they whispered to each other, "This is it!" As each point of truth was presented, they accepted, and are now members of the church.

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