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# President Truman Endorses Worldwide Bible Study Program

PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN has endorsed the seventh annual Worldwide Bible Reading Program, which is promoted by the American Bible Society. In a letter to the Bible Society he said:

"The founding date, 1816, on the seal of the American Bible Society, bears witness to the long story of that organization's work in spreading the Word of God to all nations. It gives the society itself a venerable quality in keeping with its high purpose.

"In this age of doubt, which sometimes gives way to cynicism and despair, it is of hopeful significance that the Bible remains the world's best seller. The immense contribution of the American Bible Society in making this happy result possible has placed untold millions in its debt. The society has thereby become in the fullest sense of the word an evangel of light, a messenger of good will to men.

"Our days are cast in an age that knows not God and when love, which the apostle to the Gentiles exalted above faith and hope, does not rule the counsels or the hearts of men. In the spirit of humility, therefore, I call upon my countrymen once again in the sacred season from Thanksgiving to Christmastide to read and to ponder in their hearts the Book by which our fathers lived—the Book which vindicates the ways of God to man.



"Though others falter, we doubt not through the ages one increasing purpose runs. In this faith we shall find God, if not in the whirlwind or the tempest, perhaps in a voice that is still and small—a voice bidding him who is athirst to come and whosoever will, to take the Water of Life freely."

## How It Happened in the Philippines

By F. A. PRATT, Secretary, Sabbath School Department, Far Eastern Division

THE Philippines were under Spanish rule for over three hundred years. Catholicism came to the island with the invaders and has had a dominating influence ever since. Throughout this period the Bible was a forbidden book, and it was not until after the close of the Spanish-American war, when the Philippines came under American control, that Bible societies were given freedom to work. In 1889 two British and Foreign Bible Society

colporteurs in the Philippines were poisoned in their hotel. One of them died; the other recovered and was banished.

In spite of the fanatical opposition, Bibles were distributed throughout the islands. In Vigan, Northern Luzon, in 1914, 2,500 Bibles were publicly burned. In the 1930's the same thing happened in Zamboanga City on the island of Mindanao.

As in so many other places, a col-

porteur pioneered our work in the Philippines. An Australian, Brother R. A. Caldwell, went there in 1905 and sold thousands of our message-filled books in English, Spanish, and also in Tagalog.

In 1906 Elder and Mrs. J. L. Mc-Elhany began work among the English-speaking people of the islands. Elder and Mrs. L. V. Finster came to the field in 1908 and were the first to work for the native people. Elder Finster early set up a small printing press, and thousands of pages of literature were produced and sold. Elder and Mrs. E. M. Adams joined them in 1912 and have been connected with the work there until the present time.

The first church was organized in 1911 near Manila with eighteen members. Since 1912 Elder and Mrs. Adams have seen the work grow from around 100 members to 35,000. In his report at the General Conference, Elder Adams stated that during the three years, 1947 through 1949, 10,667 were baptized, and that in the first six months of 1950, 2,640 were added to the church by baptism. Thus 13,307 precious souls were won in three and one-half years. God is doing a marvelous work in these islands.

In spite of the success that has attended our work, there is still much unentered territory. The 500,000 Mohammedans in the islands have resisted all efforts to Christianize In 1918 Miss Garcessa, the them. school nurse of the Mindanao Academy, was made the leader of a group of Ingatherers. They were assigned to work in Moroland among the Mohammedans. She began to treat minor ailments, and the impression made opened the way for her to see the governor. He graciously gave a donation of P100.00 (U.S. \$50.00) and provided them with police protection. Later the governor offered a building for clinical work. This offer was accepted and today we have the Lakeside Clinic at Dansalan with Dr. R. T. Santos in charge. Thus another stronghold of the enemy has been entered.

From the very beginning of our work the laymen of the Philippines have had a large share in the proclamation of the message. The Philippines have sent out several missionaries to the territories near by. Recently a young couple were sent to North Borneo to connect with the Sabah Training School.

Through the years a strong evangelistic program has been fostered on the islands with outstanding success, but no large efforts have been conducted in the major cities of the archipelago. The time has come when the cities of the Philippines must be The plan is to have at warned. Manila what is to be known as an evangelistic center. Here national evangelists will be trained for city evangelism, and later they will be sent out to the cities of this island field. This building will not only be a place in which to train national evangelists, but will also provide facilities for conferences and general meetings. This center is one of the projects for the coming Thirteenth Sabbath overflow offering. May the Lord bless you as you give toward this worthy project.

#### THE THINGS THAT COUNT

Question: What is one way Satan uses to distract us?

Answer: "Time is short; the enemy will make every effort to magnify in our minds matters of lesser consequence, and lead us to regard lightly the very work that needs most to be done."-Colporteur Evangelist, page

Question: What should be our highest interest?

Answer: "Christ's interests are the first and the highest of all interests. He has a property in this world that He wishes secured, saved for His everlasting kingdom. It is for His Father's glory and His own glory that His messengers shall go forth in His name, for they and He are one. They are to reveal Him to the world. His interests are their interests. If they, directly from the War Service Com-

will be colaborers with Him, they will be made heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ to an immortal inheritance."—Id., page 34.

Question: What is one successful way lay members can do God's work?

Answer: "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."—Id., page 80.

Question: Is there a need for more canvassers?

Answer: "The Lord calls for many more to engage in the canvassing work. . . . For Christ's sake, my brethren and sisters, make the most of the hours of the new year to place the precious light of present truth before the people. The Angel of the

covenant is empowering His servants to carry the truth to all parts of the world. He has sent forth His angels with the message of mercy; but, as if they did not speed on their way fast enough to satisfy His heart of yearning love, He lays on every member of His church the responsibility of proclaiming this message. 'Let him that heareth say, Come.' Every member of the church is to show his loyalty by inviting the thirsty to drink of the water of life. A chain of living witnesses is to carry the invitation to the world. Will you act your part in this great work?"—Id., pages 41, 42.
Act now! Write your publishing

secretary today for more information.

SOUTHERN UNION PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

# For Draft-Age Men

By CARLYLE B. HAYNES

The War Service Commission has now prepared a new "Information and Instruction Leaflet for Seventh - day



Adventist Noncombatant Selective Service Registrants." It gives information regarding the classifications, procedure for appeals; it states the noncombatant position and the basis for the noncombatant view; it gives the noncombatant status in the

Army; the Executive Order of the President defining noncombatant service; it explains the Selective Service Questionnaire and how it must be filled out; it gives information regarding preparation for induction; it describes induction and assignment to military units; it discusses Sabbath keeping in the Army; it analyzes voluntary enlistment versus the draft, and it gives information about the special draft of doctors and dentists and their classification.

Copies of this leaflet can be obtained from the War Service Commission regional representatives in both the union and local conferences throughout the country, or failing that

mission office at General Conference headquarters.

#### I-A-O ARMY ASSIGNMENTS

Numerous requests are coming into the office of the War Service Commission from Seventh-day Adventists already inducted regarding what they believe to be wrong assignments of 1-A-O registrants. Some have been assigned to the Infantry, some to other branches of the Army, and they are told by their officers that it is necessary for everyone to take exactly the same basic training before final assignment into noncombatant activities. Some of our men consequently have felt they must comply with this instruction and consent to be trained in the use of arms.

In order that all may be informed regarding the Army regulation under which assignments are made and which governs assignments, and therefore which can be claimed for exemption from bearing of arms or training in their use, I quote herewith Army Regulation No. 615-203, dated 25 July 1950:

"1. General. These regulations set forth procedures for identification and utilization in the Army of enlisted and inducted individuals who are conscientious objectors.

2. Classification of registrants. a. The local boards of the Selective Service System

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have exclusive jurisdiction over the classification of registrants, subject to appeal, who claim exemption due to conscientious objection. Local boards have been instructed to enter on D Form 47 (Record of Induction) under item 4, section 1, that the registrant has been classified as either a conscientious objector or otherwise. This will be accomplished prior to the time he is ordered to report to an Armed Forces induction station for the preinduction examination. Such classification is final.

"b. Classification as conscientious objector is based on the following quotation from Selective Service regulations:

'Class 1-A-O: Available for noncombatant military services conscientious objector. In Class 1-A-O shall be placed every registrant who would have been classified in Class 1-A but for the fact that he has been found, by reason of religious training and belief, to be conscientiously opposed to combatant military service in which he might be ordered to take human life, but not conscientiously opposed to noncombatant military service in which he could contribute to the health, comfort, and preservation of others.

"c. The service records and allied papers of men classified as 1-A-O by Selective Service local boards will so indicate, and assignments and transfers within the Army

will be made accordingly.

- "3. Claims for classification. Enlisted men who claim to be conscientious objectors to combatant duty after arrival at training installations, and whose DD Form 47 does not so indicate, will be questioned fully. The training installation commander, after due consideration of the recommendations of his chaplain, may recommend assignment of these men to medical units if, in his judgment, such assignment is warranted. The decision in this matter is one of assignment, and not classification as to conscientious objection, and the records will not be amended to indicate that the individual is classified as 1-A-O. However, an entry will be made on the individual's DA AGO Form 20 (Soldier's Qualification Card), as prescribed in TM 12-425, denoting the reason for such recommended assignment.
- "4. Assignment. a. A registrant of the Selective Service System classified as 1-A-O by Selective Service, whose DD Form 47 indicates he is a conscientious objector will, when inducted, be assigned by the induction station concerned to the appropriate reception and training installation for processing and basic training in accordance with "c" below. (Such individuals will be assigned to medical units only upon completion of basic training.) The Department of the Army will issue initial assignment instructions for conscientious objectors prior to the completion of basic training.
- "b. Conscientious objectors may be selected for school training at the Medical Field Service School only, Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, under the selection procedures contained in SR 615-215-1.
- "c. The following is defined as noncombatant service and training:

"(1) Service in the Army Medical Service wherever performed.

- "(2) Subject to the individual's acceptance, (Army italics) any service, the primary function of which does not require the use of arms in combat, provided such assignment does not require him to bear arms or to be trained in their use.
- "(3) Noncombatant training consists of any training which does not have to do with the study of, or the use or handling of, arms or weapons.
- "5. Transfers. Conscientious objectors and individuals claiming conscientious objection may be transferred as follows:
- "a. In accordance with paragraph 4c (2). "b. Enlisted personnel whose records indicate classification by local boards as 1-A-O will be transferred from noncombatant service only upon voluntary request in writing by the individual so classified.
- "c. Individuals presently assigned to combatant units who have not been classified by Selective Service local boards as 1-A-O and who claim religious scruples to combatant duty may be transferred to medical units or installations if, in the opinion of the commanding officer authorized to transfer the individual, the claim is honest and warranted. Records in this event will not be

changed to show the individual as a conscientious objector.

d. Conscientious objectors may be transferred between units of the Army Medical

'e. Every effort will be made to transfer and assign this personnel within command concerned.

"6. Training and discipline. Commanding officers of units or installations to which conscientious objectors are assigned will be responsible that the enlisted person's assignment within that unit or installation is such that paragraph 4c (2) and (3) will not be violated. With the above exceptions, conscientious objectors are subject to all Army Regulations, including those on training and discipline.

7. Identification in reports. Conscientious objectors will be properly identified and included, when applicable, in the re-ports required by paragraph 6, SR 615-60-10, SR 615-205-45, and SR 615-205-50. "(AG 327.36 (5 Jul 50))

"BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

"J. LAWTON COLLINS, Chief of Staff; United States Army 'Official:

'EDWARD F. WITSELL, Major General, U.S.A., The Adjutant General"

#### Talking Books for the Blind

By C. W. DEGERING, Manager, Christian Record Benevolent Assn.

Of the estimated 265,000 or more blind people in the United States and Canada, less than 40,000 are said to be able to read the Braille or other forms of embossed literature. For those who cannot or do not read the Braille, Talking Books - books recorded on 33 1/3 rpm discs—are available through agencies set up by the government for their distribution.

The Christian Record Benevolent Association has just recently entered this field of free service to the sightless by issuing the little volume, "Thoughts From the Mount of Blessing," by Ellen G. White. These are for the exclusive use of the blind and are being distributed through the regional branches for the blind of the Library of Congress. For the present we are not making any distribution to the public from our own office.

Any blind person residing in the territory of the Southern Union Conference desiring a recording of this book, should send his or her request to the Carnegie Library of Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia; the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, Talladega, Alabama; and those residing in Kentucky should write to the Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The use of special reproducing machines may be secured free by the blind through state agencies as follows: Alabama, Department for Adult Blind, Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, Talladega, Alabama; Florida, Florida Council for the Blind, 918 Tampa Street, Tampa 2, Florida; Georgia, Kriegshaber Library for the Blind, 918 Piedmont Avenue N. E., Atlanta, Georgia; Kentucky, Kentucky Workshop for Adult Blind, 2007 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky; Mississippi, Division for the Blind, Mississippi Building, North State Street, Jackson 113, Mississippi; North Carolina, State Commission for the Blind, 401 State Labor Building, Raleigh, North Carolina; South Carolina, Division for the Blind, State Department of Public Welfare, Columbia, South Carolina; Tennessee, Nashville Workshop for the Blind, Forty-second and Charlotte Avenue, Nashville 3, Tennessee,

#### **COUNTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

We are assembling material now for the twelfth listing. We ask any of our people who know of advantageous openings in the country for Adventists, whether a farm, or house,

or job, or business opportunity of any kind, to send the information to us. Get it in before December 10, the date when this listing will go to press.

And be brief. Do not write long, detailed descriptions. Leave out the adjectives. Just tell us what you have,—acreage, how much tillable, location, number of rooms, conveniences, price, proximity to church and school; or what kind of a job or opening. Make it short. Make sure your address is legible and accurate.

Hurry to us the information you have. It may be of real help. No colonization programs, please; no real estate promotion; just genuine opportunities which may enable city dwellers to answer the urgent call, "Get out of the large cities as fast as possible."

Send all mail to William A. Butler, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Washington 12, D. C. WILLIAM A. BUTLER

# Alabama-Mississippi

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#### OUR LITERATURE WINS SOULS

More and more we find that our literature is playing a big and important part in leading people to make decisions for God's truth at this time. It is true in our colporteur work and wherever our tracts, periodicals, and books are circulated. It is especially true in the work of the Twentieth Century Bible School. The following letters will be of interest to the readers of the Southern Tidings. We solicit your prayers and ask you to enroll others in the Twentieth Century Bible School, to give out tracts, to sell our literature, and encourage people to read and know and understand the meaning of the unusual conditions prevailing throughout the world today.

"Dear Fellow Christians:

"I am writing this letter which I should have done a few weeks back, but I have been shipped from Guam to Japan. I just arrived here at Johnson A. F. B. last Sabbath.

"Well, to get at my reason for writing to you, I have taken your Bible Course I, and I enjoyed it very much. It is complete, covering all the questions that come to a heathen mind

such as mine was. Well, I attended your church steadily, and I was baptized by Elder Ray Turner into the Seventh-day Adventist church. I plan to devote my life to His work. When I get discharged from the air force it is my intention to enter one of our colleges to prepare for the ministry.

istry.

"Thank you very much that you helped to open my eyes to see the love of our Saviour and the wonderful light of His glory and grace. You may not hear from me anymore. I have so many books by Sister White that I want to read, but I just want to let you know that you are doing a wonderful work. Don't think you are wasting your time correcting those lessons and sending your souvenir booklets. They are a great help and a glory to God.

"Your lessons have led me away from seeking worldly pleasures to my Bible, God's Word. Remember me in your morning prayer circle that God will be with me and that I will keep His commandments in my heart and live up to the ideals obtained from my study and prayer. My only intention in life is to do His will and spread His Word.

"A friend nearer to Jesus, thanks to your 'eye openers.'"
"Dear friends:

"I am about to send a manuscript to a publisher for inspection for the purpose of publication. It is entitled "The Shepherd's Cry." "I want to pay my tithe when I can become confident what church represents the true followers of Christ. I'm seeking a body of Christians who accept God's Bible from cover to cover and who believe it."

God has a message for His people who are hungering and thirsting for a knowledge of His will and purpose. There are so many ways in which acceptable service can be given. Truly the results are encouraging now and will be even more so in the judgment day when many of these precious souls will thank you for the soul-saving truths you have brought to them through the literature ministry.

I. M. Evans

#### YOUNG INGATHERER

This is a picture of Vann Dudley Cockrell, of Birmingham, Alabama, who, at the age of four, last year



raised \$40 Ingathering in one and a half hours. We are proud of boys and girls who love Jesus so much. Ingathering is pleasant with Jesus as a partner. His grand-

parents, Brother and Sister Meadows, are a real inspiration to him.

# MONTGOMERY SABBATH SCHOOL—CHILDREN'S DIVISION

This is a picture of the children's division of the Montgomery Sabbath school. Elder and Mrs. K. M. Ken-



Children's Division of the Montgomery, Alabama, Sabbath School

nedy have taken special interest in the boys and girls and, as a result, have redecorated the children's room and have put forth earnest efforts to improve the Sabbath school program.

There are about twice as many children coming to Sabbath school now as there were a year ago. I have been informed that several parents are attending Sabbath school as a result of the influence on the children.

May every Sabbath school in this conference do all possible for the boys and girls who mean so much to the cause of God.

L. D. PRATT, Sabbath School Secretary

#### SINGING BANDS

During the holiday season all churches are requested to Ingather for the work of God. The regular Ingathering campaign starts on January 6. How much will there be on hand when your district superintendent comes to workers' meeting on January 1? We believe some churches will be over the top.

The Minuteman goal this year is \$20.41. The Lord will bless our efforts

if we will work for Him.

# Carolina

Box 930, Charlotte, North Carolina C. H. Lauda, President B. C. Marshall, Secretary-Treasurer

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#### NEWS

★ Elder E. M. Chalmers and Brother R. C. Darnell brought us the thrilling news that they, with their wives, worked hand in hand with faithful church members practically night and day for two weeks in reaching the Minuteman goal for the Albemarle church. This makes our seventh Minuteman church in the Carolinas for 1951.

★ Elder F. W. Foster, our M. V. secretary, spent the week of November 12 with the Wilson believers in a Week of Prayer and church revival. Elder C. H. Lauda, our conference president, assisted Elder A. D. McKee in the Week of Prayer and church revival at Asheville. Elder McKee is continuing to foster the interest by holding Sunday-night meetings.

★ We thank the Lord for the wonderful victories gained during this special Week of Prayer and Sacrifice. We trust all of our believers will con-

tinue to make every week a Week of Prayer. Remember, it is only by earnest prayer that we expect to have victory over sin. No prayer, no power; little prayer, little power; much prayer, much power.

\* Word has just reached us that our Pittsboro, North Carolina, church is finished on the outside, and that our brethren are completing the inside now, getting everything ready for the church dedication and organization services on December 16.

#### SOUL WINNING WITH LITERATURE IN CAROLINA

The good story of one piece of literature has just come to me. One of our colporteurs, while sitting by the roadside eating his lunch, noticed a lady passing with a nice, large Bible under her arm. A few minutes later, as she was returning, this same lady passed him again. As she seemed friendly, he ventured to say that the Bible is the best of books. She said she had just been to her neighbor's to give a Bible study but found her away so was returning home. The alert colporteur suggested that if she was giving Bible studies she surely would appreciate a work he had to show her, which was "Bible Readings." lady said she would like to have it and placed her order. While holding her Bible for her, so she could sign the order, he noticed a paper of some sort in it and asked what it was.

She said, "Why, that's a wonderful paper. I have found in there an article that tells us we should not eat pork and it gives the Scripture for it. And there is another thing I learned, the dead do not go to heaven immediately. These are the things I was going down to show to my neighbor from the Bible." This good paper was a copy of the Our Times magazine.

Last Sabbath this lady and another one of her neighbors spent their first Sabbath in a Seventh-day Adventist church. Someone riding through the beautiful Smoky Mountains of Carolina was witnessing with our literature. If the party who left these Our Times magazines in the community between Waynesville and Soco Gap reads this article, I would like to have him write

Yes, the Lord is continuing to bless and win souls with His literature here in Carolina. We are grateful for the deliveries that have been made and to



#### ITINERARY OF THE SLAYBAUGHS

We are pleased to announce that the Slaybaughs will visit the Carolinas again. These appointments have been made for them. We trust you will make plans now to attend the services. Their story will begin at 7:30 on the evenings listed below:

November 29-Raleigh, N. C. November 30—Wilson, N. C.

December 2, 3—

Wilmington, N. C.

December 6—Charleston, S. C.

December 16-

Winston-Salem, N. C.

December 20—Greenville, S. C.

Invite your neighbors and friends to hear with you this great story of healing.

C. H. LAUDA, President

each one who has had a part in the colporteur work this year.

At this writing our deliveries have surpassed the \$150,000 mark. Our faithful student colporteurs have had a wonderful share in this record. They worked 12,987 hours and delivered \$40,415 worth of our truth-filled literature.

Twenty-five scholarships have been awarded to students, and there are two or three who have not yet applied for their scholarships. Truly we can say, Praise God for His many blessings. Let us go forward with Carolina in soul-winning the colporteur way.

W. E. ROBERSON, Secretary

Publishing Department

# Georgia-Cumberland

547 Cherokee Ave., S. E., Atlanta, Georgia G. R. Nash, President

R. S. Blackburn, Secretary-Treasurer Make wills and legacies to the Georgia Conterence Association of Seventh-day Adventists, Incorporated.

#### TWENTIETH CENTURY IN ACTION

The Georgia Cumberland Conference owes much to the Twentieth Century Bible Correspondence School for the excellent contribution it is making to our soul-saving program. Many have been baptized this year as a result of the work done by our Bible school. The following are a few extracts from letters that we want to share with you:

Money cannot buy: "Enclosed is a humble dollar bill. I wish it were more. Money cannot buy the joy and thrill I am getting out of this course. God bless you and keep you in His

great work."

Peace and contentment: "I can never tell you how much I appreciate your help and what the Bible lessons have meant to me. Since I have found the truth and am keeping God's true Sabbath, I have a peace and contentment that I have never known before."

On the mountain top: "I feel as if I were on the mountain top today, lifted above the clouds, because of this lesson. If only more people would take this course, what a blessing they would receive! As a result of studying this lesson I must tell you that, by the grace of God, I have stopped smoking cigarettes after having used tobacco fifteen years."

Praying for others: "I do hope and pray for other people, that they too may take these lessons and find the road to heaven."

G. R. Nash

#### NEWS

★ Elder G. R. Nash reports that during the Week of Prayer he visited all our isolated members in the vicinity of Deer Lodge, Tennessee. He held services also at Daylight and Spring City, Tennessee, and Fitzgerald, Georgia

★ Elder W. A. Higgins, publishing department secretary of the Southern Union Conference, with Brethren B. L. Thompson and R. L. Chamberlain, of the local conference, met with

the Bristol, Tennessee, church on Thursday night, November 16, and with the Knoxville church on Sabbath, November 18.

★ Elder W. J. Keith baptized eleven people in Atlanta on Sabbath morning, November 18. Eight of these united with the Atlanta First church and three with the Griffin church.

★ On Sunday evening, November 19, the members of the Atlanta First church gathered at the Atlanta Union Academy for a farewell program in honor of Elder and Mrs. W. J. Keith and family, who have now left our field for Akron, Ohio, where they will be engaged in pastoral - evangelistic work. The five years Elder Keith has labored in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference have been years of progress for the churches under his care, and it is with deep regret that we see him leave our territory. Nevertheless, we wish him and his family God's richest blessings as they go from us and trust that they will enjoy their work in their new field of labor.

#### WANTED-SUBSCRIPTIONS

If you are not at the present receiving the Review and Herald, then by all means subscribe at once. Get it, even if it means going without the daily newspaper. The two cannot be compared in value. One deals with the world, the other with things of eternal life. I have been a reader of this paper for over twenty years and consider it of such worth that I would not dare, in these times of doubt and uncertainty, to be without the Review and Herald.

"Our people should make greater efforts to extend the circulation of the Review. If our brethren and sisters would only manifest greater earnestness and put forth more persevering efforts to accomplish this, it would be done. Every family should have this paper. And if they would deny themselves their darling luxuries, tea and coffee, many who do not have its weekly visits might pay for the messenger of light to come into their household. Almost every family takes one or more secular papers, and these frequently contain love stories and exciting tales of villainy and murder which injure the minds of all who read them. Those who consent to do without the Review and Herald lose much. Through its pages, Christ may

#### FOR MEDITATION

Question: Who are robbed when tithe is withheld?

"Christians forget Answer: that they are servants of the Master; that they themselves, their time, and all that they have, belong to Him. Many are tempted, and the majority are overcome, by the delusive inducements which Satan presents to invest their money where it will yield them the greatest profit in dollars and cents. . . . They rob God of the tenth, which He claims as His own, and in robbing Him they rob themselves of the heavenly treasure."—Testimonies, Volume III, page 398.

speak to them in warnings, in reproofs and counsel, which would change the current of their thoughts, and be to them as the bread of life."

—Testimonies, Volume IV, page 599.

Don't delay in sending in your subscription. You will thank the Lord many times for the rich spiritual blessings the reading of the *Review* will bring into your life.

V. W. ESQUILLA, Home Missionary Secretary

# Kentucky-Tennessee

3208 West End Ave., Nashville 5, Tennessee W. E. Strickland, President

C. W. Higgins, Secretary-Treasurer

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# COUNCIL OF MEDICAL SECRETARIES

Following the recommendations made at the Fall Council, many of the conferences of North America appointed doctors as medical secretaries to promote medical missionary work.

A conference of all the medical secretaries was held at St. Louis, from November 3 to 6, under the leadership of Dr. Wayne McFarland of the Medical Department of the General Conference. Also meeting with the medical secretaries were prominent leaders from the Surgeon General's office of the Red Cross as well as many General Conference and union

# SPECIAL NOTICE:

#### CARLYLE B. HAYNES TO VISIT CONFERENCE!!

Elder Carlyle B. Haynes, Secretary of the General Conference WAR SERVICE COMMISSION, will visit Nashville from December 8 to 10. The purpose of his visit will be to conduct a series of lectures and open forums on War Service problems. All potential inductees, their parents, wives, and sweethearts-in fact, anyone interested in problems and circumstances concerning military service or civilian defense-ALL ARE URGED TO ATTEND! All meetings will be in the Nashville Fatherland Street Church.

If you live within driving distance of Nashville, and would like to be informed on these matters, COME!

# REMEMBER!

THE DATES -

December 7:30 P.M.

11:00 A.M. December

December 2:30 P.M.

December 7:30 P.M.

December 10 9:30 A.M.

THE PLACE—Fatherland Seventh-day Adventist Church Corner Fatherland and Fifth Streets Nashville

THE EVENT — E'der Carlyle B. Haynes, Secretary, War Service Commission, General Conference, Speaker

This is important to our youth! Church leaders as well as parents should be informed. Come and attend every lecture and open forum. Having recently sat through a series of such lectures by Elder Haynes, I can assure you there will not be a dry moment. It will be interesting and informative from start to stop.

TEDDRIC MOHR, Secretary, War Service Commission

leaders from the War Service Commission, Educational, and Medical Departments.

It was a unanimous decision of this conference that a medical missionary program must be augmented in our churches on a much larger scale than has ever been done in the past. One of the first steps in the program will be the training of all our church members in first aid and casualty care in which Red Cross units will be set up in each church and school. Associated with this will be the stockpiling of vaseline, gauze, and pressure dressings for use in case of atomic bombing. We were warned most earnestly by men

from the Surgeon General's office that atomic bombing is a very real and present danger in all of our larger

It is hoped that each church member will avail himself of this training in first aid and casualty care which is only the first step in the proposed plan for starting an expanded medical missionary program among the laity of As we unite in this the church. work, under the leadership and blessing of the Holy Spirit, we can expect many souls to be added to the kingdom. J. WESLEY OSBORNE, M.D. Medical Secretary.

Kentucky-Tennessee Conference

#### WORK FOR EVERY MEMBER

In harmony with what our medical secretary has written, I would like to quote from "Testimonies to the Church," Volume VI, page 276, as follows:

The work of gathering in the needy, the oppressed, the suffering, the destitute, is the very work which every church that believes the truth for this time should long since have been doing. We are to show the tender sympathy of the Samaritan, . . . feeding the hungry, bringing the poor that are cast out to our homes, gathering from God every day grace and strength that will enable us to reach the very depths of human misery, and help those who cannot possibly help themselves. In doing this work we have a favorable opportunity to set forth Christ the crucified One.

"Every church-member should feel it his special duty to labor for those living in his neighborhood. Study how you can best help those who take no interest in religious things. As you visit your friends and neighbors, show an interest in their spiritual as well as in their temporal welfare. Present Christ as a sin-pardoning Saviour. Invite your neighbors to your home, and read with them from the precious Bible and from books that explain its truths. This, united with simple songs and fervent prayers, will touch their hearts. Let church-members educate themselves to do this work.'

May God help us all to be what we should be as true Christians in this time of crisis and need.

W. E. STRICKLAND

#### HIGHLAND ACADEMY NEEDS

First, Highland Academy needs your moral support. Next, it needs your boys and girls, and they need Highland, too. In order to make it the kind of school that you want it to be and what it should be to give your young people the proper preparation for life, we feel that we must have adequate buildings and equipment.

One of the most pressing needs at this time is the new building to house the laundry. This building is under construction, but we do not have sufficient funds in hand for its completion. Those who were at camp meeting this past summer will remember the plan that was presented by Elder Strickland whereby \$15,000, sorely

needed for the construction of the laundry building and also a home for the principal, might be raised throughout the entire conference. As little as \$3.00 per member will supply this need. We are happy that some of this money has come in, but unless the rest comes in right away we may not be able to finish and equip the laundry building.

We believe that every church member, especially those with children at the academy, is interested in your school. Will you not make a definite effort at once to turn in your portion of the required amount? Please do not delay. The school needs the funds. We thank you for doing your part. C. W. HIGGINS, Secretary-Treasurer

#### TWENTIETH CENTURY

The Twentieth Century Bible School continues to grow. In the last few weeks we have added several hundred new students. They are coming to us from all corners of our field.

There are many men and women in the world today who are looking for a better way of life and who want to follow the Master. They need a helping hand to lead them to eternal life. Perhaps that neighbor is just waiting for you to invite him into God's kingdom of grace. Don't wait; time is too precious. Send in those names to the Twentieth Century Bible School, and we will give the Bible studies for you. Do it now.

#### MADISONVILLE EFFORT

Elder Veach held his first Sabbath afternoon meeting on November 11 with a large number of non-Adventists present. The attendance is holding up well, and a large number of souls are expected to take their stand for Jesus. Some have already done so. Elder Veach will soon organize his first baptismal class.

The entire city of Madisonville is feeling the influence of Elder Veach's preaching, and the truths being presented will bear fruit.

W. L. CROFTON

#### ERIN, TENNESSEE

Shortly after arriving at Erin, Tennessee, my wife and I went with Mrs. Earl Lockhart, the only Seventh-day Adventist to live in Erin for many years, and visited all the people she thought would be interested in attending Sabbath school. This resulted in four non-Adventists attending our Sabbath school the first Sabbath.

Since then my plan has been to canvass quite near Erin. This has been done in order to find the most interested in this vicinity and invite them to our Sabbath school. Many are being enrolled in the Twentieth Century Bible Course. At the end of the first month we are glad to report an attendance of twenty at our Sabbath services.

The main Sabbath services are held at our home, which is well located at the edge of town within easy access of many. Mrs. Hill has been taking care of a special children's class while I have looked after the adults.

During the middle of the month a second Sabbath school and church program was started at a home where a couple cares for two invalids. This couple has become very interested in the message, and since they could not leave their patients to come to services at our home, we began the special afternoon program at their home.

A number have expressed their willingness to help establish a church at Erin. I feel that everyone who has been attending our Sabbath school and church is a good prospect for baptism, for each one knows that I am a Seventh-day Adventist minister and refer and influential men of the town of Erin inasmuch as the Spirit of prophecy says that "these should be the first to hear the call." Recently I gave a Bible study to a leading citizen who was a former mayor of the town. He is a man of means and influence. If a few men like this can be won to the truth, the Lord's work should really go forward at Erin.

As I work, I emphasize the importance of studying the Bible and accepting Christ and Him crucified, and I

to the seventh day as being the Sab-

I have been very much interested

in the winning of some of the wealthy

have prayer in many of the homes. In this way much prejudice has been broken down and numbers are looking for more light.

We solicit your prayers that the Lord will richly bless the work at Erin.

CHARLES HILL,
Colporteur Ministerial Intern

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# EVANGELISM IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

On November 6 and 7 we held a very profitable workers' meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. At that time a definite appeal was made for reconsecration among the workers, a surrendering of all sinful habits, and preparation for the reception of the Holy Spirit.

Strong plans were made for a great Ingathering campaign in 1951. It is our hope that there will be a substantial increase in the Ingathering receipts over the year 1950.

A high point of the meeting was the report the ministers gave concerning their evangelism. The total baptized, up to that time in the South Atlantic Conference during 1950, was 607. Over 100 are now in baptismal classes and should be baptized before the end of the year. We are happy to report that more than 3,000 persons have been baptized in the South Atlantic Conference since its organization five years ago.

H. D. SINGLETON, President



About half the audience present for the first meeting of the effort conducted by Elder H. R. Veach at Madisonville, Kentucky.

#### CHURCH MISSIONARY SECRETARIES!

Please order your first quarter, 1951, Sabbath school supplies now to avoid delay during the Christmas rush.

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#### NEWS

- \* A new congregation has been raised up in the city of Greenwood, South Carolina, as a result of the evangelistic work of L. E. Daniels. To date thirty-four have been baptized in Greenwood. Now we face the problem of a church building for that city.
- \* W. M. Starks pitched his tent at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this past summer. To date sixty-one have been added to the Fort Lauderdale church as a result of this effort.
- ★ Evangelism in Lakeland, Florida, during the spring, and in Charlotte, North Carolina, during the early fall, by E. C. Ward and his company of workers, resulted in fifty being baptized in Lakeland, Florida, and eightyseven thus far in Charlotte. Our problem now is to provide a church for these believers in Charlotte.
- ★ E. E. Cleveland, Southern Union evangelist, conducted the third phase of his evangelistic crusade in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in the spring. Eighty-seven were baptized as a result of that meeting. He is presently in the midst of his fourth meeting in the city, and prospects are for a large baptism.
- ★ In Kinston, North Carolina, J. P. Winston, a ministerial intern, pitched a small tent. With one helper he was blessed by the Lord with a baptism of forty-three.
- \* Although D. L. Crowder in West Palm Beach, Florida, was unable to hold his tent meetings more than thirty days, by follow-up work in the church thirty-two have thus far been baptized.
- ★ On Sunday, October 8, Miss June N. Booker became the bride of Mr. Aston Channer, Mrs. Channer has resigned her position as secretary in the Twentieth Century Bible School and has moved to New York where the Channers will make their home. Mr. Walter A. Darby has filled the vacancy made by Mrs. Channer's resignation from the Bible School.

★ Friends of Elder and Mrs. H. D. Singleton will be happy to learn that a son, Kenneth Bernard, was born on October 18. We wish to extend congratulations.

\* Brother Battle reported twentyone baptized thus far from the effort in St. Petersburg. He had to take his tent down four times because of hurricanes.

\* A recent baptism held by Elder P. H. Morgan resulted in twentythree being baptized. This is largely a result of the tent meeting held recently in Durham.

★ Elder D. E. Davis reports twentythree baptized as a result of follow-up in Ridgeland, South Carolina, and other work throughout the Savannah, Georgia, district.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED

On October 28 the Northeast Florida Sabbath School Association was organized at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Those chosen to head this association were: president, Mr. John Burrows of Sanford, Florida; vice-president, Mrs. S. Scott of Daytona Beach; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. John Wise of Jacksonville; and assistant secretarytreasurer, Miss G. M. Woods of East Palatka. N. G. SIMONS,

Sabbath School Secretary

#### NORTHEAST FLORIDA DORCAS FEDERATION ORGANIZED

The Northeast Florida Dorcas Federation was organized on October 29. The delegates in attendance chose as their president, Mrs. J. W. Jones of Sanford, Florida.

Other officers elected were: vicepresident, Mrs. Jordan of Gainesville; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. C. P. Gould of Jacksonville; and assistant secretarytreasurer, Mrs. Woodard of Daytona N. G. SIMONS,

Home Missionary Secretary

#### EVANGELISM (Continued)

EASTERN KENTUCKY (Continued from page 12)

an attractive basement church for this We also had an organized church at Belcher, Kentucky, 115 miles from Loyall. In addition we had faithful Sabbath school groups at Wheelwright and Jenkins, and a live interest from a previous evangelistic effort at Cumberland.

"My problem, as district leader, has been to follow up existing interests scattered throughout the district and give at least a minimum of attention to each isolated cluster of faithful members, while concentrating enough effort at Loyall to raise up the church there. To draw these scattered interests together, we have started a monthly mimeographed news sheet called, The Kentucky Mountain Messenger. We find this paper a welcome visitor in homes not yet ready for the TIDINGS. Through this sheet the entire district membership and interested ones can know of the pastor's plans and activities and share their experiences in soul-winning.

"Six new members have been added in the district during the past year, and a greater harvest is anticipated in the future. Three of these were baptized the day when, with Elder W. E. Strickland present, it was our happy privilege to participate in the organization of our church at Loyall, Kentucky, on Sabbath, August 26. The charter members consist of twentyfour faithful Seventh-day Adventists, including the three baptized that day. A small church school is already in progress at this place.

"We have a number of faithful laymen in this district who are doing ex-May there not be doctors, nurses, and other self-supporting brethren who will hear the Macedonian call of this district and come and join us in the evangelization of this area?"

This experience is in accordance with statements in the Spirit of prophecy about ministers of other denominations accepting the truth in the latter days. Many of them are sincere men. Let us do all we can to send subscriptions for our periodicals to them as well as talking to them about the truth. Continue to pray for a large harvest of souls in 1950.

#### CHURCH CALENDAR

December 2—Home Missionary Day, Home Missionary - Evangelism Offering

December 9—Foreign Mission Offering

December 16 - Elementary Church School Offering

December 23—Church Expense or Budget

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The offer of S. M. C.'s facilities as an evacuation center for hospital patients should Chattanooga be the target of a bomb attack was made by Elder H. R. Beckner, pastor of the Collegedale church and leader of its civil defense program, Charles Fleming, Jr., business manager of the college, and Leif Kr. Tobiassen, an instructor in history who had experience with the civil defense program in Europe during World War II.

Collegedale's facilities are particularly adaptable to a medical evacuation center in the event of emergency. Dormitories, the tabernacle, the administration building, and sixty-five residences provide space where cots could be installed. In addition, 115 family tents and 400 cots used for camp meeting would be available.

An analysis has been made of wells and springs in the Collegedale area for use should the waters of the Tennessee River become contaminated. It is reported that the East Brainerd Water System has an extra pump which could be moved to a water source in Collegedale and used to pump water to supply Collegedale and a section of Chattanooga.

A potential arm of the Collegedale civil defense program is its Medical Cadet Corps. Under commanding officer Norman Krogstad and acting captain F. M. Miller, some 130 men are taking this course which has proved to be of such value in time of war.

Elder Carlyle B. Haynes, secretary of the War Service Commission, was guest speaker at Southern Missionary College during the week end of November 17 to 19. At the M. V. service on Sabbath afternoon Elder Haynes conducted a question-and-answer period. Former and prospective servicemen asked him questions concerning their registration and possible service in the armed forces. Elder Haynes' advice to the future servicemen was (1) that they fill out form SSS150 so they would receive the "O" classification and (2) that they apply for duty in the Medical Corps rather than some other branch of the army, as it is the only unit wholly recognized as noncombatant.

Elder Haynes also advised everyone to be prepared for any eventuality. There is stand-by legislation in Congress, he said, which would draft every man and woman between the ages of seventeen and sixty-five in case of an outbreak of World War III.

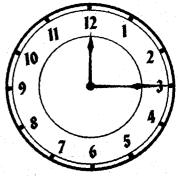
During the Sabbath services Elder Haynes emphasized God's overruling power in the present crisis. "My times are in Thy hand" was the theme of his talks.

"God desires man to exercise his reasoning powers; and the study of the Bible will strengthen and elevate the mind as no other study can."

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	Dec. 1	Dec. 8
Atlanta, Ga	5:30	5:30
Birmingham, Ala	4:39	4:39
Charlotte, N. C.	5:11	5:11
Collegedale, Tenn	5:30	5:29
Huntsville, Ala.	4:35	4:34
Louisville, Ky.	4:23	4:23
Memphis, Tenn.	4:48	4:48
Meridian, Miss.	4:50	4:51
Nashville, Tenn.	4:33	4:33
Orlando, Fla.	5:29	5:30
Wilmington, N. C	5:03	5:02

#### EISTEN EVERY SUNDAY TO THE



#### Sermon Titles

December 3—It Is Later Than You Think

December 10-Men Who Played God

#### THE JOURNEY'S END

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

SNEAD:-Viola Theodora Snead passed away on September 24, 1950, at the age of seventy-three. Sister Snead had been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and was in attendance at services the day before she died. Death came peacefully on Sunday, September 24, as she was caring for her flower garden a little before 10:20 in the morning. Each year for many years, Sister Snead had read her Bible through. She wore out several Bibles in her diligent study of the Word. Her example in faithfulness is a comfort to her family and an inspiration to all who knew her. Surviving are her daughter, Mrs, Ethel Richards; five sisters; and a number of nieces and nephews. Pastor L. O. Coon of Jacksonville, officiated at L. O. COON the funeral services.

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# Evangelism



# IN THE SOUTHERN UNION

## Eastern Kentucky

By V. G. Anderson, President, Southern Union Conference

BROTHER PAUL FELT has had a very unique experience in becoming a Seventh - day Adventist. He was formerly a minister of another denomination, and we here give the interesting story of his coming into the truth and of his work in eastern Ken-

"The privilege of working as a minister for the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists fills me with gratitude for the mercy



Paul Felt, district pastor, Kentucky-Tennessee Conierence.

and guidance of God. He found me serving as a Methodist minister in a New Jersey suburb of New York City. While, at that time, I believed in Jesus as my Saviour, I did not accept the Bible as God's inspired word. My background at home, in college, and in the theological semi-

nary accounted for this.

Except for one Ingathering contact, my way to the message was through an elderly man who did missionary work as a lay member. I met him at an interdenominational ministers' meeting in January, 1945. At my invitation he came home with me from this meeting and remained with us three weeks, studying the Bible with us most of this time. It was then we learned that there is a strong case for believing Bible prophecy. We were determined to make sure of the inspiration of the Bible. What were we to do next?

Previous in our quest for truth, I had resigned as a Universalist minister to settle the question of the divinity of Christ. This led me to a Methodist seminary and to service as a Methodist minister. Now we had to make another similar choice, and we had three children to support. Cashed-in life insurance policies helped us to wind up affairs at Weehawken, New Jersey, and to launch out into the A vacant farm house, made available by friends, made possible five months of quiet study in the

Catskill Mountains of New York. Later we attended Adventist meetings in New York City and met a number of our leaders. We accumulated quite a Seventh-day Adventist library that summer, including fourteen volumes of the Spirit of prophecy. We had admired Mrs. White's writings from the start.

We continued in our quest of proof. Could Bible history and prophecy both stand scientific examination? We wanted to say, 'Lord, I believe,' but our first prayer had to be, 'Help Thou mine unbelief.' Our investigations led us to the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in Takoma Park, D. C., where I enjoyed nine months of association and study with our ministers. By March, 1946, I was convinced of the reliability of the Bible and in April, after a year's leave of absence, I was dropped from the Methodist church. This was followed by a journey to the Midwest, and I was baptized into the remnant church in Des Moines, Iowa.

"Following my baptism I was privileged to help in an effort conducted by Elder J. L. Shuler. One of his converts was Mrs. Felt. In 1947 we were invited to assist in an effort at Covington, Kentucky, followed by two years of pastoral work in Lexington, Kentucky. In July, 1949, I came to the Harlan district. At this time there was one organized company in the district, located at Loyall, in Harlan County, where we made our home. Elder L. M. Heifner had labored here for several years and had constructed

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