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It Must Happen October 5!

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It is hoped that the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital will be completed by January or February of 1947. The building is of reinforced concrete and steel, with walls of cement blocks. It is 210 feet long with wings 35 feet wide and halls 8 feet wide. The outer wall is made of brick.

This three-story building will contain 75 beds, besides office space, laboratories, library, emergency rooms, surgical rooms, classrooms for nurses, dining room, and several private rooms for patients. There will be an X-ray room, blood bank, and an elevator.

It was voted at the 1945 Autumn Council that the colored membership in North America provide the funds for equipping and furnishing this new institution. The amount yet needed is \$75,000. The liberal amount of \$300,000 to erect the building was furnished by appropriations from the General Conference. The General Conference Committee has assigned to each colored conference and each colored union department in North America a goal equal



The New Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital Now Being Constructed

It is hoped that this 75-bed unit will be ready for occupancy between January and February, 1947. Furniture and medical equipment must be ordered NOW.

DATE OF OFFERING OCTOBER 5

Amount needed, \$75,000.00. To make this amount available, plan to give liberally—\$100.00, \$50.00, \$25.00, \$10.00. The General Conference has furnished funds for completion of structure. Our colored believers must do the rest.

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to \$3 a member. The date set for this offering is October 5.

We have waited long for a sanitarium and hospital where many of our young women now awaiting nurse's training could realize their goal. Then, think of the people from the various walks of life who will receive physical and spiritual healing as a result of contact with this institution.

During the recent regional meetings of our conferences many of our

believers made pledges to be paid Sabbath, October 5, ranging from \$10 to \$100. We have confidence that these pledges will be paid. The need that confronts the sanitarium project is an urgent one. I am hoping that we will emulate the experience of the Jews under the leadership of Mordecai: They had an accomplishment in view, and their plan was to act

in ONE DAY: "Upon one day in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, namely, upon the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, . . . the Jews should be ready against THAT DAY." That one day brought the desired accomplishments.

All funds should be distinctly labeled "Riverside Sanitarium," and remitted from the church treasurer to the local conference, from there on to the General Conference, Takoma Park, Washington 12, D.C. To raise the amount needed, each church, every friend, and every well-wisher must rise up valiantly and respond on the date designated.

May God help each of us to be ready Sabbath, October 5.

DEADLINE FOR NEWS—Nov. 1

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Constituency Meeting

THE constituency meeting of the Allegheny Conference convened in the city of Pittsburgh August 23-25. Delegates were present from Jersey, East and West Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, and Ohio. From the General Conference came N. C. Wilson, W. E. Nelson, and G. E. Peters. Representing the union were F. H. Robbins, C. H. Kelly, J. P. Neff, and J. C. Holland.

J. H. Wagner was unanimously re-elected president of the conference, and L. H. Bland returned to the office of secretary-treasurer. Departmental secretaries were J. L. Moran, educational; M. A. Burgess, Young People's Missionary Volunteer; W. R. Robinson, Home Missionary and Sabbath School; L. R. Preston, publishing; H. T. Saulter, manager, Book and Bible House.

Sabbath services were held in a spacious Methodist church rented for the occasion. Sunday afternoon H. D. Warner and J. H. Lester were ordained to the gospel ministry.

Including the delegates and the members and friends of the Pittsburgh church, the attendance was about one thousand.

G. E. PETERS.

Pine Forge School

A NUMBER of our workers have assembled at Pine Forge Institute in order to renovate and prepare buildings for school occupancy in the fall. They have brought their saws, hammers, squares, planes, etc., with which to work. Under the circumstances it will be necessary for some of our pastors to miss some Sabbath services with their churches, but we plead with the membership to cooperate with our program and carry on as usual, so that we may devote our full attention to the developing

of our school program for the time being.

Sale of Lots

MANY people have been asking us when we would begin selling lots on the school site. For your information, if you are interested, you may write to Elder J. L. Moran, Pine Forge Institute, Pine Forge, Pennsylvania, immediately! Lots are being sold at the present writing, but there are many, many more to be sold. You may purchase at several price ranges. Of course, the choice property will be those lots on the present road line. Come over to Pine Forge and pick your lot! If you should come by train or bus, upon your arrival in Pottstown call Pottstown 22J, which is the telephone number of the school. Someone will come down to direct you to the school site.

J. H. WAGNER.

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A Special Appeal

I AM sure that you have heard by this time that the site for our boarding academy has been purchased. Now the great task which lies before us is the construction of buildings—dormitories, administration, etc.—and the securing of furniture and equipment for this new institution. We should have at least \$100,000 to meet these necessary preparations. We are hoping that our people who have stood so nobly by us will respond heartily to this appeal.

Should our people forget everything else and rally to this the greatest need of the hour, we would be able to open our academy in the fall of 1947.

As the president of the conference I am appealing to you, my dear brethren and sisters, to do your best. I expect every man, woman, and child to do his and her part in reaching the goal of \$100,000. Should this amount be divided equally among our members, it

would mean that each member will be expected to give something like \$40; but when you remember that there are those—children, the aged, and a few others who may not be able to give this amount, we are expecting each of you to give as the Lord has prospered you. Call us up or write us that your check for so much is on the way.

In order to help you make your decision, I might say that you have until December 31 to pay your pledge. You may pledge any amount, from \$500 to \$25. Send in a portion of it now, and pay the balance as you are able. It might be well to report through your church treasurer, or should you remit direct to the office, we will inform your treasurer concerning your gift.

J. GERSHOM DASENT.

The Time to Plan

It might be of interest for our constituency to know that during the past year the number of young people enrolled in our church schools was higher than at any other previous time. More than 350 pupils were registered on our records; one new school was added to our conference, and three more are at the present time being definitely planned for.

It's not the steeples, large stately and tall
Nor windows of beauty, nor wide spacious hall
Of splendor and grandeur, of pomp and
of fame,
That gives God the glory and lifts up
His name;

It's not the rock or the stone that's
been hewed,
Nor the fashion and style in which they are
used,
That determines the value of church or of
school.
But no matter how humble the place
may be,
If God is there it's enough for me.

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Confusion, unrest, scarcity of needed products and essential articles today are indications of what the end promises to be. We should leave no stone unturned in preparing for the spiritual development of our youth at such a time as this.

WALTER J. KISACK.

Regional Meetings

INSTEAD of the annual camp meeting, three regional meetings were held in the conference this year. The first was set for August 30 to September 1, and was held in Shiloh Church in Chicago. On the following week end, September 6-8, the churches in the northeastern section of the field assembled in Hartford Avenue Church in Detroit. The last of the series took place in Capitol Avenue Church in Indianapolis, September 13-15. At this time and place the believers in Marion, Muncie, Springfield, East St. Louis, and the Indianapolis area, together with isolated members in and around that section, came together.

Among those who were present to take an active part in making a success of the meetings were G. E. Peters, general head of the Colored Department; G. R. Nash, returned missionary from Africa; J. M. Jackson, of the Review and Herald; Professor F. L. Peterson, president of Oakwood College; H. D. Dobbins, of Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital; and A. Orville Dunn, of Emmanuel Missionary College.

Elder L. E. Lenheim, the newly elected president, together with the department secretaries of the union and the local representatives, was in attendance to do his part in making these meetings the best of their kind ever held. We enjoyed a feast of rich spiritual blessings, for, above all, the Lord was present in the person of the Holy Spirit.

TENT EFFORTS.—The summer efforts are drawing to a close. The Lord has in a rich measure blessed our evangelists with many precious souls, and from all indications three new churches will be added to the sisterhood of churches as a result of

evangelistic efforts this summer. The aggregate number who listened to the discussion of the Sabbath question was approximately 2,000. Nearly one third of this number have signed the covenant card which calls for the keeping of all the commandments of God, including the seventh-day Sabbath. The Bible instructors are now very busy confirming the faith of these new believers and getting them ready for baptism.

Much care should be exercised in seeing that these new believers are thoroughly indoctrinated in the principles of present truth, and that they make a start to practice what they believe before they are baptized. There are times when our evangelists, in their haste and anxiety, baptize new converts before the latter are ready for the sacred rite. We must avoid being too hasty in this matter.

The believers in Chicago Heights, where one of the efforts is being held, have taken fresh courage, and the additions will bring new life and strength to the church there.

Among the welcome visitors at the conference office recently were Elder G. E. Peters, of the Colored Department of the General Conference; L. O. Irons, secretary-treasurer of the Northeastern Conference; Mrs. H. J. Miller and her daughter, Helen, of Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Marie Kisack and Mrs. Melba Vanderberg, mother and sister of Brother Walter J. Kisack, our educational secretary, also paid us a visit. They were accompanied by Mrs. Lorraine Mitchell and Mrs. Bailey. All are from Northern California.

The Calvin Center Church is to be congratulated for success made along educational lines. It has recently rented a spacious room which was once used for educational purposes by the county. They will use this building as a training center for the lambs of the flock. Calvin Center Church believes in Christian education, and the members are willing to make sacrifices to secure

Christian training for their children. Mrs. Ruth Mayfield, of New Jersey, is the principal.

Our church school teachers, twenty in number, are in attendance at an institute which is being held at Emmanuel Missionary College. With this institute, the school year opens. Classwork began on September 3.

A Good Report

THE comparative statement of tithes and mission offerings for the first and second quarters of this year is worthy of comment:

The statement shows that in the second quarter of 1946 the tithe exceeded that of the first quarter to the amount of \$2,706.69, and \$1,630.48 was the gain in missions offerings. Tithes and mission offerings for the first quarter amounted to \$55,681.37, and the total tithes and mission offerings for the second quarter were \$60,018.54.

Of the twenty-three churches in the conference, seventeen have made a substantial gain in tithes. In the Burnett, Wisconsin, church the tithe nearly doubled that of the preceding quarter.

The churches in Elkhart, Evans-ton, the Detroit area (5), Milwaukee, Springfield, Flint, and Muncie are outstanding in their record of missions offerings. Six districts made sizable gains over the preceding quarter, both in tithes and offerings. It is true that the Ingathering played a prominent part in swelling the missions offerings, but we are thankful for the liberality which our people have shown in the support of the work, both at home and in our schools.

F. N. CROWE, *Treasurer.*

FLASH! The Northeastern Conference has remitted its full allotment of \$7,400 for Riverside Sanitarium. Congratulations, Elder Bland.

The Story of Our Academy

SOON after organization of the Lake Region Conference, a little over a year ago, the conference committee made request of the other local conferences of the union to "look with favor to accepting our young people in their boarding academies for a reasonable length of time, until the Lake Region Conference is able to make ample provision for them." The request was considered favorably. However, not long after that it became obvious that because of the increased enrollments in these academies something must be done to relieve the congestion.

A committee of three was duly appointed to search for a suitable site, centrally located, which could be used to meet this urgent need—a boarding academy for our colored youth. In our search through southern Michigan and northern Indiana the committee found several farms which, with some improvements, could meet our purpose. We sought the counsel and help of our union brethren, and together we continued our search. More than once a full day was spent in the search for a place which we thought would be favored with the stamp of divine approval. We believe that the Lord was with us, and with His assistance we found a small farm of one hundred and twenty acres, located about two miles from Michigan State Highway No. 60 and bounded on the East and South by paved county roads; one of these roads is the main highway to Calvin Center, a small village about three miles away. The other is County Highway No. 326 and intersects the other at the southeast corner of the property. About three miles west of this property is Cassopolis, a city of between 10,000 and 12,000 inhabitants, and one of the main stopping points of the Grand Trunk railway system from Chicago to Detroit. The Greyhound bus runs between these two major cities on State Highway No. 60. The farm is well situated, and its soil is considered among the best in Cass County.

When the owner of this property was first approached by the union

brethren regarding selling her farm, it was made very clear that she was not interested; but each time we visited her we succeeded in leaving the way open for further negotiations, and after some weeks of prayer and patient endeavor, as the Lord would have it, she yielded to our request, and on July 1, 1946, the papers making us virtual possessors of the property were signed. *I am now happy to announce to the constituents of the Lake Region Conference that the first step in the operation of a boarding academy has been completed satisfactorily.* Within a few days an academy board will be appointed to give careful study to the needs of this proposed institution, and with your co-operation, a start will be made in meeting these needs.

We heartily thank our faithful believers for the sacrificial efforts put forth to bring about this accomplishment; and to our union brethren, especially Elders J. J. Nethery, R. M. Harrison, and G. M. Mathews, do we owe a debt of gratitude for the untiring manner in which they labored with us. Above all, we ascribe praise and honor and thankfulness to our heavenly Father for what He has done for us.

J. GERSHOM DASENT.

Our Hearts Rejoice

THE news we have all waited for has at last broken. The school farm has been purchased. The sacrifices that have been made by so many of our loyal members have at last borne fruitage. Isn't it wonderful to be able to dedicate to God's service a parcel of land surrounded with beautiful scenery of green foliage, where our children receive the inspiration that was so helpful to our blessed Master. When a child in Nazareth He studied not alone in the home with His parents but also from the book of nature. In that quiet and rural atmosphere He became conscious of His divine birth and leadership, so that when He came before men to preach His marvelous sermons, people exclaimed, "Never man spake like this Man"; but it was because "never man lived

like this Man." We are happy that the Lake Region Conference is providing such an atmosphere in which our youth may prepare for the finishing of our message in this generation.

May I remind our dear believers that more sacrifices will be needed, for, while we have the land, before we can have a school we must have several buildings, including dormitories for boys and girls and an administration building. Also, the equipment and furnishings for the school and the dormitories. Would it not be well for the many clubs that exist in the churches of our conference at this early date to take over the furnishing of a girl's or a boy's room as their project for this fall and winter?

There are scores of our own young people anxious and waiting for the doors of the Lake Region Academy to swing open wide on registration day. It is in our hands, dear fathers and mothers, friends and well-wishers, to make this day a reality.

J. E. JOHNSON.

News Notes

IT will be of interest to the field to learn that Elder R. F. Warnick and Sister Dorothy Smith, Bible instructor of the Detroit, Michigan, churches, have already baptized seventy-three precious souls into the third angel's message this year. Brother James Dykes has recently joined Elder Warnick in Detroit. From recent communication with Elder Dasant we learn that Brother Dykes is enjoying his work. These brethren have carried on evangelism in West Detroit with prospects of raising their baptisms to two hundred for 1946.

THE Shiloh Chicago Church, of which Elder H. W. Kibble is pastor, turned over to the conference some \$4,000 in tithes for the month of June. This is more than the church has ever before turned in for one month. Surely this is a marvelous record of faithfulness on the part of the church members. Elder Kibble,

Miss Milicent Jordan, Bible instructor, and his company are planning to erect a tent on the west side of this great city of Chicago. We are looking for a fine harvest of souls. So the work goes!

NORTHEASTERN

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Evangelism in the Northeastern Conference

WE are very happy to report that, under the blessings of Heaven, the work in the Northeastern Conference is still moving steadily forward. Our tithe still shows an upward trend month after month, for which we are deeply grateful to our loving heavenly Father. We are keenly conscious of the fact that with this blessing of revenue, God is holding us responsible for putting forth every effort possible to give the third angel's message to the many thousands of people in this territory. We have dedicated our time and talent to faithfully accomplish this task.

We are at present conducting three tent efforts with good results. Elder Thaddeus Wilson, of Buffalo, New York, is enjoying a good attendance night after night. Miss Zilda Forde is supporting him very strongly as Bible instructor, and we look forward to a good harvest of souls. The church in Buffalo is overcrowded, and plans are under way to begin a new church building for our good believers there. This membership is one of the loyal groups in our organization, and we believe that a church building comparable to the needs will add greatly to the inspiration and progress of our work in this large city.

Elder S. B. Huddleston, with Miss Crymes as Bible instructor, is enjoying excellent success in the city of Boston. We understand that the attendance is as good as, if not better than, any that has been witnessed in the history of our work there. We conscientiously look forward to a

good ingathering of souls. Elder Huddleston has just completed a very fine job of enlarging and renovating the church to accommodate a good increase in his church membership. He has purchased an annex to the church that will add much to the efficiency of the church program, and plans to begin a church school this fall, which will be the first in the history of this conference. The work in Boston is on the upward trend.

Elder Hiram Walters is conducting the third tent effort, in Nyack, New York, and is having a good attendance. In Nyack we have one of the most complete and beautiful small church buildings that I have ever seen. Our membership in Nyack is one of much life. This evangelistic effort will not only add new believers but create a new interest in the community and greatly increase the enthusiasm of the church members. James Martin is the local elder and is doing a faithful work in the church.

We solicit the prayers of the believers for the success of these efforts.

L. H. BLAND, *President.*

Westchester County, New York

FOR approximately the past three years it has been my privilege to pastor the Westchester County district of New York, which includes the cities of New Rochelle, White Plains, and Mount Vernon, with church memberships of 100, 80, and 60 respectively. While the colored population does not exceed 6,000 in any one of these places, yet the Lord has given a measure of success in our soul-winning endeavors.

In order that one man might undertake the yearly evangelization of the populations in these cities, we adopted the plan of conducting a twelve weeks' series of Sunday night meetings in each church of the district, rotating throughout the year in the three churches. In order that the converts might be thoroughly indoctrinated, those who took their stand in the spring series were put through a three months' intensive

baptismal class during the period of our summer campaign, no candidate being baptized under three months from the time he took his stand. Thus, after the first campaign, we were usually able to baptize, at the close of the next series of Sunday night services, those who had taken their stand in the previous series.

On such a program as the above, the year 1945 was a banner year for the district. Within the twelve-month period the Lord blessed us with the actual baptism of thirty-eight souls, seven of whom are to the credit of Mrs. Rosa Lee Jones, who was called as Bible instructor in the district toward the latter part of the year.

The New Rochelle church has been redecorated inside and out, a new building has been purchased for the White Plains congregation, and the Mount Vernon group (smallest of the three) has about \$5,000 toward the purchase of a church building, which will no doubt be carried through under the able leadership of Elder E. A. Lockett, my successor in the district.

Recently I was called upon by the conference committee to go to Springfield, Massachusetts, to build up the work in that city, prior to evangelizing the large colored population in Hartford, Connecticut, with the expectation under God of raising up a new church. As I enter upon my new field of labor to do my humble part in helping to finish the work among the group in this section of New England, I petition your prayers that God may grant success.

N. S. McLEOD.

Missionaries

ELDER and Mrs. D. B. Simons are under appointment of the General Conference for evangelistic work in Sierra Leone, West Africa.

DR. and Mrs. D. W. Harrison are under appointment of the General Conference for medical work in Ethiopia.

SOUTH CENTRAL

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News Notes

THUS far there have been ninety-five baptisms reported this year in the South Central Conference. Elder J. G. Thomas conducted a baptismal service recently with thirteen candidates. Elder D. B. Simons led seven candidates into this sacred rite.

ELDER H. R. MURPHY has recently spent some time in Chattanooga, Birmingham, Tuscaloosa, Sylacauga, Columbus, and West Point in the interest of the work in those sections.

THE call to be given "in the highways," is to be proclaimed to all who have an active part in the world's work, to the teachers and leaders of the people. Those who bear heavy responsibilities in public life, physicians and teachers, lawyers, and judges, public officers and businessmen, should be given a clear, distinct message.—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 78.

INTO the institutions of learning . . . the truth is to find entrance. There are those in these institutions who are to be reached by the third angel's message.—*Testimonies*, vol. 7, p. 233.

IT was in accordance with God's purpose that the publishing work was started at Nashville. In the Southern field there is need of a printing office for the publication of the truth for this time, and especially for printing reading matter suitable for the different classes of people in this field.—*Testimonies*, vol. 7, p. 233.

AND there is no city in the South better suited than Nashville for the carrying forward of publishing work.—*Testimonies*, vol. 7, p. 233.

EDUCATION does not mean teaching people what they do not know. It means teaching them to behave as they do not behave.—JOHN RUSKIN.

SOUTH ATLANTIC

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News From the South Atlantic

SABBATH schools in the South Atlantic Conference have shown a decided gain over the per capita of last year. They report for the first six months a total offering of \$26,640.31 for missions, making a per capita of \$.302. This is the first time that the Sabbath schools of this area, as a whole, have reached the pennant class. Several outstanding reports have been noted. The Atlanta Sabbath school on last thirteenth Sabbath gave an offering of \$812 for a \$3 per capita. The Key West and East Palatka churches led in the conference with per capitae of \$.628 and \$.590 respectively.

NORMAN G. SIMONS,
S.S. and H.M. Secretary.

GOD has greatly blessed the South Atlantic Conference during the first few months of its existence. We have launched a large evangelistic campaign, and \$6,500 has been spent for evangelistic equipment. Fourteen tent efforts are being conducted this year in the conference. Good reports are coming from these efforts. In mission giving our people have been and are being very liberal. We have, by far, the largest mission per capita this year that this territory has ever had. During the Ingathering campaign, early in the year, \$27,000 was raised. This is an increase of 50 per cent over the amount raised last year. We are also thankful for a good increase in tithes.

Our publishing department has delivered \$75,000 worth of gospel literature. During the first eight months of this year, 50,000 copies of the August number of *The Message Magazine* were sold in the South Atlantic area. A number of student colporteurs are earning scholarships this summer. One student, Miss Estelle Gully, earned two scholarships to Oakwood College in eleven weeks.

Six regional meetings were held this year. They were in Atlanta Georgia; Miami, Florida; Raleigh, North Carolina; Sumter, South Carolina; Tampa, Florida; and Jacksonville, Florida. Sabbath school offerings at these regional meetings totaled \$569, and \$7,500 was pledged for Riverside.

H. D. SINGLETON, *President*.

News Notes

ELDER EARL E. CLEVELAND reports a fine interest in the Greensboro, North Carolina effort. He reports that one Sabbath at the tent there were one hundred twenty new Sabbath keepers.

Elder Samuel E. Farrell reports about forty new Sabbath keepers at the tent on a recent Sabbath day. Satan has given Elder Farrell and his co-workers a real fight in Columbia this year, but it appears that the Lord will gain a great victory yet. These workers are of good courage.

Pastor H. J. Fordham, Jr., is conducting a fifteen minute radio program in connection with his effort in Augusta, Georgia. He has fifteen minutes of time on the radio each Sunday morning. His program has met with such favorable reception until the station now provides his time free of charge. To date nineteen have been baptized in the Augusta effort and several more are expected to be baptized soon.

In addition to the efforts mentioned, four other tent efforts are in progress in the South Atlantic Conference at the present time. We have no recent report from the other meetings but hope in time to report concerning their progress. It appears, however, that all are being blessed of God.

The Berean church in Atlanta is busy expanding its walls. At present, two large classrooms are being added to the first floor of the church. It is thus hoped that we shall accommodate the large enrollment of the school.

CENTRAL UNION

Colored Department

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Union Camp Meeting

AUGUST 7-11 will linger in the hearts of the believers in the Central Union, for it was on those dates that three hundred and fifty members from ten of the churches in the Central Union Colored Department gathered on the campus of the Kansas Vocational School in Topeka, Kansas, to seek the Lord for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

At the opening meeting it was plainly evident that rich blessings were in store for those who had come seeking a closer walk with God. The early-morning prayer meetings were devoted entirely to the study of the Holy Spirit. As earnest prayers were offered, heaven's doors were opened, and all on the grounds were assured of the presence of the Power from on high. During the short periods between meetings small groups could be seen here and there on the grounds with their Bibles and hymnals in hand, still drinking deeply from the fountain of living waters.

The high light of the meeting came when seven persons took their stand for the truth and became candidates for baptism. Stirring sermons were given by some of our interns, some of whom are serving their first year in the work. Our ordained men were also in attendance, giving much needed help and counsel.

We were very fortunate to have all during the meeting Elders G. E. Peters and Jay J. Nethery, from the General Conference, and Elders M. V. Campbell and C. J. Cross, from the union. These men brought inspirational messages and gave needed counsel. As Elder Cross, publishing department secretary of the union, led out in the colporteur rally, a number of new workers were added to our faithful force of colporteurs in the field.

Sabbath school was under the able

leadership of Pastor Robert Woodfork, of the Missouri Conference. The program was well organized, and each participant rendered his part well. The Sabbath school offering amounted to \$213.

At the three-thirty hour on Sabbath afternoon Elder G. E. Peters gave a most encouraging report on the progress of the world-wide work, and especially did he point out the marvelous way in which God is speeding on the work among the colored people of North America. At the close of the message \$2,100 was pledged for the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital.

Elder Louis B. Reynolds, editor of *The Message Magazine*, added much enthusiasm to the session by the very encouraging account he gave of the growing circulation of this magazine, the only journal of its kind being published for colored people. We feel that as editor Elder Reynolds is to be especially commended for the fine temperance issue that is just off the press.

Another feature of our camp meeting is worthy of special mention and that is the business end of the whole affair, which was about the most unique I have seen. Brother Frank Hale, one of Topeka's most successful businessmen, and also local elder of our church in Topeka, was in full charge and was able to report at the close of this holy convocation that the total cost of the food, grounds, and equipment was \$1,146.40, and the total receipts amounted to \$1,147.87, giving a net profit of \$1.47. While this is not a large figure, yet it is on the right side of the ledger, so we all rejoice.

On Sunday night, as we brought the meeting to a close by singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," we all felt that truly we had witnessed a modern pentecost.

THOMAS M. ROWE.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. In this city, where I have been laboring for about fifteen months, we have a beautiful church with a growing membership of one hundred and forty-two. We have baptized twenty-six and have another class to

be baptized soon. Eight hundred *Message Magazines* monthly and one hundred fifty *Signs of the Times* weekly are being distributed. We are looking forward wishfully to the opportunity of having a public effort in this city of about eighty thousand.

SEDALIA, MISSOURI. We have a growing work in Sedalia, Missouri. Here we have had a little Sabbath school for many years. The time seems ripe to do greater things in this city. Recently we conducted a few night meetings in our place of worship, and an interest was created which we feel should be continued with a tent meeting. This we hope to start next week. Some have already taken their stand with us, and they have quite an influence for good. One of these believers is an ex-teacher in the high school, and another is teaching there at present.

H. J. MILLER, Pastor,
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SOUTHWESTERN UNION

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News From the Southwestern Union

FOUR major efforts are now in progress in the following cities: Oklahoma City, Dallas, Shreveport, and New Orleans. Elder W. S. Lee is in charge of the New Orleans effort. Associated with him is Charles Bradford, who is interning in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference. Elder Lee reports tremendous crowds attending his meetings. His Sunday night offerings run above \$100. One Sunday night's offering was \$192. A large harvest is anticipated.

Elder D. C. Batson, who was recently ordained to the gospel ministry, reports thirty who have already taken their stand for the message as a result of his tent effort. He has high hopes of others. Associated with him in this effort is Brother D. J. Dixon.

In Dallas, Texas, Elder Japeth Williams is in the midst of his effort.

In spite of many obstacles he is having good attendance, and the prospects appear promising. Associated with him is Pastor R. E. Tottress.

In Oklahoma City the writer, with Elders F. B. Slater, Leon Cox, and C. E. Howell, is in the midst of a very successful campaign. Also connected with this major effort are Professor Furman Fordham, as music director, and Miss Helen Wiggan, stenographer for the union conference colored department. At this writing over fifty have taken a stand to unite with the church. The prospects are good.

One of the high lights of the Oklahoma City campaign has been the inspiring music program directed by Professor Fordham. A very fine ensemble assists nightly with the singing.

Elder S. A. Douglas reports a new school building project for San Antonio. The building is now in the process of erection.

Elder A. B. Humphrey reports from Tyler, Texas, the beginning of a tabernacle effort in this virgin territory.

Elder D. E. Davis reports from Little Rock, Arkansas, a church revival is now in progress and is being well attended. He anticipates a good harvest of souls.

Pastor Lafayette Williams has already taken up his responsibilities as district leader in New Mexico. He reports that a school will be in operation this year, and already three young people have registered for the fall session at Oakwood.

The Southwestern Union is also responding to the Riverside appeal. Recently Professor Fordham and the Bible Tabernacle ensemble rendered a musical program at the camp meeting session of the Oklahoma Conference, at which time over \$350 was taken up for Riverside.

W. W. FORDHAM.

In the Houston district we have had several baptisms this year. We are studying with some others who are fine prospects, and we look forward to seeing them take their stand in the near future. Our hearts rejoice as we see victories in the lives

of those with whom we labor. We were delighted to have with us a sister who lives in Navasota, Texas, who accepted the truth. Another woman who has known the truth for thirty-six years, whom we have also got in touch with recently, has applied for membership. This sister lives in Fulshear, Texas. For all this evidence of God's love we are grateful and ask that the readers of the NORTH AMERICAN INFORMANT remember us in our work in their prayers.

A. R. CARETHERS.

RECENTLY, in Corsicana, Texas, Miss Margarra Fluorine Norton and Mr. Richard E. Tottress were united in marriage. After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Tottress joined with Elder J. H. Williams, of Dallas, Texas, in a campaign for souls.

S. A. DOUGLAS.

PACIFIC UNION

Colored Department

Owen A. Troy, Sec.

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Pacific Recordings

THE high school and administration building of the new Los Angeles Academy is in the process of erection on its twenty-acre site on the outskirts of Los Angeles. Every effort is being put forth to have it in readiness for occupancy by the first of 1947. This school is being operated by the Los Angeles, Pasadena, Santa Monica, and Monrovia churches. Three large busses from the academy will serve these areas. Grades one to twelve will be taught. The following faculty has been elected to teach in the high school department by the board of management: J. F. Dent, A.B., principal and manager; Ralph R. Robinson, A.B.; G. S. Millet, A.B.; B. F. Marbury, A.B.; Marjorie Cole, A.B.; Malita Phipps, A.B.; Charlotta Johnson, B.S.; James Logan, A.B. In the elementary school for this year, in addition to Alice Dent, Ursula Millet, and Gertrude Nunn (normal graduates), and Vera Jones, A.B.—all of whom taught last year—will be added the

following: Phyllis Bowman, A.B.; Carrie Davis, A.B.; and Jessie Raymond, A.B. Maude E. Masters will be registrar. Bobbie Hunter will be matron. Roger Dawson will be custodian and one of the bus drivers. Another bus driver and mechanic is to be employed. School opened for all twelve grades on September 9, at the present location in their three-story building and adjacent chapel.

ELDER R. HOPE ROBERTSON, pastor of the Wadsworth Church of Los Angeles, is conducting a successful tent effort in Los Angeles. Sisters Hazel Perkins and Myrtis Beaman, conference Bible instructors, are associated with him. Benjamin Ballenger is the music leader.

THE San Francisco church, under the leadership of Elder J. E. Cox, continues to set the pace in mission giving for the rest of the field. Sister Warrington is Bible instructor in that populous center.

ELDER W. C. WEBB and Brother William Galbreth report a fine interest and good attendance at their evangelistic services in San Bernardino, California.

ELDER VICTOR JOSEPH, assisted by Sister Della Richardson, has succeeded in doubling the membership of the Fresno church! They are in the midst of an effort in that raisin capital.

ELDER RICHARD BERRY, of Bakersfield, California, will do evangelistic work in Salt Lake City, Utah, this fall. There is an enthusiastic church of nineteen members in this Mormon center.

MARKET STREET CHURCH in Oakland, California, is rejoicing over the arrival of their new pastor, Elder Russell W. Nelson, formerly of the Lake Region Conference.

REPORTS from Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona, where Elder J. F. Street and Brother Thomas J. Douglass are stationed, indicate that these brethren are giving good leadership to the work in the Arizona Conference.

ELDER DENNIS BLACK is busy trying to get an OPA permit to start building a new \$50,000 church in San Diego, California.

BROTHER ERNEST MCGRIFF, assistant field secretary for the colporteur work in the Southern California Conference, in addition to helping his regular colporteurs, has been extremely busy helping young college students who are seeking to earn scholarships.

WHEN it became necessary for Elder J. W. Allison to move inland from the fog, Elder Lindsey was given the oversight of the Santa Monica church in addition to the Compton Avenue Church. He also has the Berean Church of Los Angeles.

After three and a half years of faithful service as music director of the Sweet Chariot Hour Choir, Sister Rubye Wilkins left to join her husband in Detroit. This widely known program originates from the Sunset Avenue Church in Pasadena. Speakers on the broadcast are Elders O. A. Troy, H. A. Lindsey, E. Wilkins, Brother Roy Stone, and Sister E. V. N. Porter.

FLASH! The Market Street Church in Oakland, California, under the leadership of the new pastor, R. W. Nelson, has reached and passed the \$3 a member goal for the Riverside Offering! Let us all follow their example.

Los Angeles Academy

THE story of the growth of the Los Angeles Academy from its humble beginning as a small school in the old Watts church until the present has been one of continuous progress.

From a union elementary school conducted by the Wadsworth and Watts churches and known as the Wadsworth church school, this school grew into the Los Angeles Junior Academy. When more grades and teachers were added and enrollment increased, the name was changed to the Los Angeles Academy.

Professor J. F. Dent was called to the principalship of this institution in 1939. A former college professor and business administrator, Professor Dent has put to full use his broad educational and institutional training and experience in developing the Los Angeles Academy to its present high educational status.

In planning for the further expansion of this excellent school, Professor Dent and his board and faculty have spared no effort. The Southern California Conference officials have worked tirelessly in giving their valuable assistance.

Completion of the present expansion program will make the new Los Angeles Academy one of the leading institutions in the educational system and a real asset to the educational life of metropolitan Los Angeles.

Nothing is more important than the education of our youth. This is a work in which all can and should have a part. Make Los Angeles Academy your academy by helping to build it!

OWEN A. TROY.

We Appeal to You, Reader

FOR ten years the Los Angeles Academy has served the community in which it is now located. The beginning was humble, but the enrollment and staff have increased yearly. Today an emergency situation obtains at East 35th Street and Naoma Avenue. The building is crowded far beyond its capacity, to the point of endangering the health, safety, and well-being of the students. The reputation of the school as a community asset has spread. Hundreds apply and are turned away because of inadequate space; some have applied for several years before gaining admittance. We have come to the place where we must move as soon as it is physically possible.

With this in mind, we are requesting and urging our friends to contribute funds for the erection of modern elementary and high school buildings at our new location on East El Segundo Boulevard.

All permits have been obtained, and construction is beginning. But inflation has sent the cost scores of thousands of dollars beyond the original estimate. The over-all cost will be not less than \$250,000. Of this amount \$100,000 remains to be raised for buildings and equipment.

Your gift will be duly acknowledged.

J. F. DENT, *Principal and Manager,*
Los Angeles Academy,
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Los Angeles 11, California.

A gentleman is one who thinks more of other people's feelings than of his own rights, and more of other people's rights than of his own feelings.—MATTHEW HENRY BUCKHAM.

There's a great deal of good that can be done in the world, if we are not too careful as to who gets the credit.—TALCOTT WILLIAMS.

GOD loves the sinless angels, who do His service and are obedient to all His commands; but He does not give them grace: they have never needed it; for they have never sinned. Grace is an attribute shown to undeserving human beings. We did not seek after it; it was sent in search of us. God rejoices to bestow grace upon all who hunger and thirst for it, not because we are worthy, but because we are unworthy. Our need is the qualification which gives us the assurance that we shall receive the gift.—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 519.

Everyone is to keep himself separate from the world, which is full of iniquity. We are not to walk with God for a time, and then part from His company, and walk in the sparks of our own kindling. There must be a firm continuance, a perseverance in acts of faith. We are to praise God; to show forth His glory and righteous character. No one of us will gain the victory without persevering, untiring effort, proportionate to the value of the object which we seek, even eternal life.—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 511.

Oakwood College

F. L. Peterson, Pres.
Huntsville, Ala.

THE A. & M. College at Normal, Alabama, invited President F. L. Peterson to deliver the commencement address at their summer commencement. The exercises were held in Bible Graves Auditorium at 10:30 A.M. on Friday, August 9. Thirty-one persons received degrees.

CONSTRUCTION of the new dormitory at Oakwood will begin in the near future. The work of excavation has been completed. The building is to be built of native stone and will have a cafeteria on the lower floor. The dining hall will have a seating capacity of five hundred.

On the next floor will be located the dean's office and living quarters, student rooms, and an assembly room for three hundred. The top floor will have additional rooms for students. There will be individual lavatory facilities in each room.

The expected cost of construction is \$175,000, and the lumber to be used will be taken from the Oakwood forest.

TRUE education means more than the pursuit of a certain course of study. . . . It is the harmonious development of the physical, the mental, and the spiritual powers.—*Education*, p. 13.

OUR schools must be more like the schools of the prophets. . . . Wise teachers should be chosen . . . who not only have a knowledge of the truth, but who are doers of the Word of God. . . . They should teach simplicity and correct habits in everything.—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, pp. 152, 153.

DURING 1945 the American Bible Society distributed 12,243,355 volumes of the Scriptures, the average for the preceding ten years being 8,251,197.

Message Magazine

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"We Think It's Wonderful!"

NUMEROUS leaders from different sections of America have written their approval of the recent temperance issue of *The Message Magazine*.

From the director of public relations in a large university:

"I have just read Volume XII, No. 10, the Temperance Special of *The Message*, and I want to congratulate you on the excellence of this issue. It is my hope that it will receive wide circulation and be thoughtfully read by many people, especially high school and college youth."

From a United States Senator:

"I thank you for calling my attention to a copy of the Temperance Special issue of *The Message*. I have read it carefully and am glad to congratulate you on the good work done by your paper. The front page was particularly impressive. You are doing a great work in your efforts to control the liquor traffic."

From an executive secretary of the South Carolina Federated Forces for Temperance and Law Enforcement:

"Thank you for sending me a copy of your temperance issue of *The Message Magazine*. Please send me 1,000 copies of same. I enclose check for \$50 to pay for the shipment. We may be able to use more of them next month. Would they be available?"

From the attorney of the Anti Saloon League of America:

"I am today in receipt of the Temperance Special number of *The Message*, and wish to express my pleasure and appreciation at the fine articles in your magazine."

Our goal is 100,000 subscriptions to *The Message*. If each minister will rally to our project this winter, if each colporteur will do his best, and if each officer and layman will help, we shall have a subscription list that will mean much to our magazine in coming years.

LOUIS B. REYNOLDS, Editor.

Salient Facts

DURING 1945 the American Bible Society promoted World-wide Bible Reading as a successor to Nation-wide Bible Reading, Thanksgiving to Christmas, distributing approximately 20,000,000 reading lists in 15 different countries as widely separated as China, Egypt, and Colombia.

WITHOUT the atomic bomb the prospects of civilization would be dubious enough. Now that we have it, they are black. . . . The pity is that we have so little time.—ROBERT M. HUTCHINS, chancellor, Chicago University, in *The Alumni Bulletin*.

WE know that we have a certain amount of time before the world is full of atomic bombs. We probably have not more than five years.—ROBERT M. HUTCHINS, *The Atomic Bomb Versus Civilization*.

EVERYONE is agreed that an atomic war is world suicide; that no one can win. No scientist of repute doubts the fact that every country with an industrial capacity will have the atomic bomb in five years. We therefore have just five years to build for peace.—ROBERT M. HUTCHINS, in *Chicago Daily Tribune*.

THE Biblical declaration that the end of the world will come suddenly is driven home to us with fresh meaning. . . . The writing on the wall of threatened doom and destruction can now be read clearly by all thoughtful men.—ARCHBISHOP OF YORK.

WITHOUT a common pool of knowledge and good will the atomic armaments race would be on, and the next D-day would be doomsday.—*This World*.

THERE is an army of at least 6,000,000 criminals in the United States today—one criminal for every 23 inhabitants of the nation.—J. EDGAR HOOVER.

Voice of Prophecy

RECENTLY the editor of a newspaper in Denver, Colorado, published for the first time our Voice of Prophecy Bible Question-and-Answer Column. So enthusiastic was the response of his reading audience to this Bible column that, according to the report that we have received, two thousand letters of appreciation were mailed to this gentleman within a few days. While this response is unusual and was, no doubt, made possible by the cooperation of local Adventist pastors in Denver, yet it demonstrates the interest that newspaper readers take in religious subjects.

Eight hundred daily and weekly newspapers carry this free public service, offered and sponsored by the Voice of Prophecy. Perplexing religious queries are dissolved by the ready accurate Bible answer submitted by H. M. S. Richards. The questions and the answers are printed together. Either press-proof or mat service is available free and a supply is mailed, a month's supply in advance, to the editor of each paper requesting this service.

Among the Negro newspapers in America carrying the column are the following: *Courier*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; *Bulletin*, Tampa, Florida; *Defender*, Louisville, Kentucky; *Carolina Times*, Durham, North Carolina.

Mr. Claude A. Barnett, director of The Associated Negro Press, Inc., recently prepared the following letter highly recommending this service.

"A goodly portion of our people are vitally interested in the church and the Bible. The service of the newspaper division of the Voice of Prophecy offers releases in this field which are most excellent and which might be of interest to large numbers of readers. We think it is excellent service."

Our ministers are urged to write to D. A. Delafield, manager of the Newspaper Division, The Voice of Prophecy, Box 55, Los Angeles, California, for material with which to contact the editor of his local

paper in an effort to place the column within the reach of thousands who read the newspapers. A press-proof copy of the column and an order form will be mailed immediately upon request.

We estimate that literally hundreds of thousands have been benefited by this co-ordinate press and radio evangelism. Will you help us, brethren, to place the column in more and more Negro newspapers?

D. A. DELAFIELD

Of Special Interest

THE *Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*, Volume III, which completes the 1946 Ministerial Reading Course, is now available. In the first week a thousand copies were sent out by the publishers in piled-up orders. A half-dozen non-Adventist bookstores are putting it on display and sale. An attempt is being made to have public libraries purchase it for their shelves. Kindly note the following facts concerning this new volume, written by LeRoy Edwin Froom, editor of *The Ministry* and instructor in history of prophetic interpretation at the Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C.

* Published by Review and Herald Publishing Association, Washington 12, D.C. Artistically printed in large, readable type, with quotations in slightly smaller type. Beautifully bound. (Price \$4.50 in U.S.A.)

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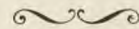
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G. E. P.



UNHAPPILY the fact is that at this critical juncture the people of the United States have no great faith which moves them. . . . At this critical time we may fail the world. . . . We have lost our sense of purpose and our capacity to inspire and uplift.—JOHN FOSTER DULLES, *Princeton*.

THE absence of standards is barbarism, and barbarism is the description of our world—in greater or less degree of every part of it.—DOROTHY THOMPSON.

I BELIEVE that most of us Americans have wasted our first postwar year and that we couldn't afford to waste it. With every passing day the chances that you will see your grandchildren grow up become smaller and smaller.—*New York Times*.

America's Cosmopolitan Population

ON Monday morning a Rumanian ash-man cleaned his cellar and a Pole white-washed its walls. A Hollander pruned his vines; a German plumber came to stop a leak in his bathroom, and this man's helper was a Dane. He remembered that his cook was a Swede and the waitress a Norwegian. As he left his home for his office a seamstress entered to help his wife. She was a Belgian, and the man who was painting his front fence was from Switzerland. He left his laundry with a Chinese. Later he visited his Russian tailor, ordered groceries of a Welchman, and purchased his dinner at a Frenchman's store. As he waited for an electric car, an Italian vegetable man passed, while he was talking to an Irish policeman, and a Jew wished him a Merry Christmas. The next day he bought some hardware from an Armenian and learned that his milkman was a Lapp and his cobbler a Hungarian. That evening a Philippine bellboy showed him to a room in a hotel, and he learned that among its waiters were Slovaks, Greeks, and Servians.

The next day he lunched in a Turkish restaurant, engaged a Syrian to mend his rugs, and purchased two more from an Armenian. In the afternoon he met by accident a college classmate, a Bulgarian, who introduced him to a Montenegrin. That evening he learned that the Austrian consul of the city had rented the house opposite. The following Sunday he met a Cuban Protestant at church and found a Mexican, Brazilian, and Lithuanian, a Peruvian and a Haitian in a popular Sunday school class of one hundred men. That evening a Japanese merchant and his family attended service, and the next day as chairman of the committee that looked after the repairs of the church, he learned that the Portuguese sexton had died, and he selected a Canadian in his place. The following day the man who washed his office windows proved to be a Spaniard. Soon after this, in an early train, he

counted twenty-eight passengers in the car. Four were reading German papers, twelve Jewish, six Italian, and he concluded that the only American-born man in the car besides himself was a Negro.

Salvation's Hour

By LOTTIE DAVIDSON

THE tent was full of people; the middle aisle was long;
For lack of seats some standing, three thousand in the throng.
The speaker in the pulpit had earnestly declared
God's love for erring people, that all His blessings shared;
How Jesus left His glory, His seat beside the throne,
To come and dwell among them, redeem them for His own,
His life spend here in labor to heal the sick and blind,
And give to them the gospel, the hope for all mankind;
And how He was rejected, mocked, scourged, and crucified,
And nailed to the cruel cross, to hang there till He died.
Told of His resurrection and His ascension then,
To stand beside the Father's throne to intercede for men.
The sermon was not lengthy, but it was full of light.
The speaker closed by saying, "Give Him your heart tonight.
How many will come forward, and thus declare your aim
Henceforth to live for Jesus, who ever loves the same?"

Anxious eyes were watching among the people there;
Anxious hearts were pleading in earnest, silent prayer
For some loved one's salvation. O, would they yield to Him
And seek for God's forgiveness to free their hearts from sin?
Yes, some were going forward. An old man strained his eyes.
Was there among the others one of his wayward boys?
A mother's eyes were tearful. "O, is my daughter there?
Will she now go with others, my child of love and prayer?"

A little girl was watching. "I wish my dad would go.
'Twould make us all so happy, because we love him so."
Yes, many did go forward, and peace each heart did find.
Who yielded thus to Jesus—but some still stayed behind.
A brother's loving eyes turned toward his sister near.
She knew she ought to go, but was holding back through fear.
While many were rejoicing, through gratitude now prayed,
Yet some had hearts still aching because their loved ones stayed.

A father looked with longing eyes at a brother full of joy.
His son had been converted; he wished so had his boy.
The young man's face was solemn, as his sister turned away.
Perhaps he yet could win her; he still would hope and pray.
The mother's face still tearful, so wistful were her eyes,
As she saw another smiling, so glad for her two boys.
The little girl looked also at a father with his lad,
And then she whispered softly, "I wish it were my dad."

Each time we see conversions we're happy that they find
Salvation in their Saviour—but some still stay behind.

How many fathers, mothers; how many husbands, wives;
How many sisters, brothers, still live ungodly lives?
How many are indifferent to loved ones' tears and prayers?
How many are ungrateful to God, who loves and cares?
They know that He still offers salvation full and free,
If with a true repentance they'll come on bended knee.
How many will postpone it and thus seal their own fate?
For when probation closes, they'll find it is too late.

Features of Jesus' Death on Cross Described by Writer

MARTYRS have died without a quiver of the muscle, and glorious has been their ending, but not in that sense did the Prince of glory die. His was the death of a broken heart, crushed by the sin of a fallen world; it was the experience of a soul that has realized some real forsaking of God, however momentary that experience. It was not the death of a martyr, nor of a hero, but of the Son of God. And even with all this, He yielded up His spirit. "No man taketh it from Me," He had said; "I lay it down of Myself." No man died thus. It was man plus God dying there; and because that was so, His death was unique. It could be more satisfactorily proved . . . that Jesus witnessed to His Godhead by His death on the cross. . . . If He were not God, then His death could accomplish no more than does that of any great one who sacrifices his life for his fellow men. It could only be the infinite suffering of an infinite One that could pay in those few short hours the penalty of a world of finite beings. Otherwise, Christ's death would cover only the penalty of one of His kind.—ARTHUR EMERSON HARRIS in *The Watchman-Examiner*, June 6, 1946.

The canvassing work is a missionary work, and the field must be worked from a missionary standpoint. Selfish principles, love of dignity and position, should not be once named among us. The thought of seeking to become the greatest should never come into our minds.—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 318.