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## S-W Union Conf.

Oklahoma City, Okla.  
411 Baum Bldg.

President - Elder M. Lukens  
Sec.-Treas. - C. E. Smith

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

It is to be hoped that every minister, worker, elder and also our isolated brethren and sisters will not forget the special offering to be taken up March 18 for the Spanish speaking efforts to be held in our Union Conference this summer.

Send offerings to the conference treasurer.  
M. LUKENS.

### FEBRUARY REPORT

Well, the time has come for another report and I am glad to say that it is twice as large, or more, than January, and I hope we will be able to double it again in March and I really believe we will. The work is picking up quite fast all over the field. Our five conference institutes are all in the past and I am getting ready to go the first of the week to Clinton, Mo., to attend the German institute. We hope to find a few colporteurs at least

among our German brethren, and I will probably go from there to College View and spend three or four days looking up our interest there. We have several colporteurs in that school. Two or three of them came down and worked in Oklahoma last year. We hope to get them back this year.

I want to call your attention to the fact that unless all our colporteurs put in good time they will not make their goals. I wish you would all notice the report from Texico. Week before last I noticed that they averaged 39½ hours for each colporteur. That is getting pretty close to the forty hours a week for every colporteur in the field. In the month of March we will have five weeks. I am glad of this. I am sure that all the conferences will make a good report during this month and then the 3rd of April we will begin our institute at Keene with the students. I aim in hopes that we will have a good corp of students that will go out in the field this summer and work, but someway I believe we have struck the bottom of things and that our colporteurs will do fine this year. Those who are working and putting in good faithful time are having good results from their work this year. It will not be long until

school will close and then our colporteurs will have a long summer. On account of the General Conference coming this year they will have nearly a month's advantage over the past few years, and I hope that everyone who goes out will earn a scholarship and return to school again prepared to do more aggressive work in the future. I am sure that all who will work faithfully and economize both means and time will make good. Much depends upon our enthusiasm and the way we do the work that God has given us to do.

At the close of our school institute in April Brother Kirkham and I will hold a colored institute at Houston. I presume that will be about the last institute that we will have in our union this year unless it is some of the intermediate schools will need a little help. The work looks prosperous to me and in almost all parts of our union we are having plenty of rain. I think we lack some in portions of Oklahoma. Outside of that we have plenty seemingly and everything is going nicely. I trust that every colporteur will do his duty and stand right by his gun and work faithfully and the Lord will bless in all that we do.

A. F. HARRISON.

### REPORT OF THE SOUTHWESTERN UNION CONFERENCE FOR FEBRUARY, 1922

State	Agts.	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Helps	Bibles	Total	Bilb. Del.	Bks. Del.	Value
Oklahoma	25	1395	392	\$1787.60	\$398.90	\$252.35	\$2438.85	33.25	70	\$615.69
South Texas	15	769	329	1558.75	25.65		1584.40		60	363.90
Texico	10	1245	204	790.25	209.25	7.75	1003.25	5.25	86	547.25
Arkansas	5	286	100	467.96	23.75	7.50	499.21	7.50	163	685.74
North Texas	4	304	121	356.00	51.40	32.25	439.65		44	175.90
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>3999</b>	<b>1146</b>	<b>\$4960.56</b>	<b>\$704.95</b>	<b>\$299.85</b>	<b>\$5965.36</b>	<b>\$46.00</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>\$2388.48</b>

## MAGAZINES

State	No.	Amount
Oklahoma	763	\$190.75
Texico	190	47.50
Arkansas	100	25.00
North Texas	889	222.50
Total	1942	\$485.75

## MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER WEEK

The Spring Week of Prayer for our schools and Missionary Volunteer Week have been set for March 17-25. This week has been set apart by the General Conference for a special effort for our youth in all the churches of the United States and Canada. Special readings have been prepared for this week and are to be found in the March Extra of the "Church Officers' Gazette." This "Gazette" has been sent out to all subscribers and to conference Missionary Volunteer secretaries. Church elders, ministers and church school teachers who do not get the Gazette should write the conference Missionary Volunteer secretary for the March Extra.

The home lays the foundation in the development of Christian character and Sabbath, March 25, has been designated "Family Altar Day."

Missionary Volunteer Week should mean to Seventh-day Adventists of the Southwestern Union the gathering of scores of youth among us who are in the time of decision. It should be a time of intercession in behalf of our young people, a time for personal work, a time of turning of the "hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to the fathers."

ALFRED W. PETERSON.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Definite arrangements for Southwestern Union Conference delegates and visitors to the General Conference at San Francisco May 11-31, have been made as follows:

Through tourist cars will start from Keene, Ft. Worth and Oklahoma City Thursday evening, May 4. Will use the Rock Island from Ft. Worth, Oklahoma City and Little Rock to Denver, spending Sabbath in Denver; Denver and Rio Grande to Salt Lake City, passing by daylight through Royal Gorge, spending about six hours in Salt Lake City; Western Pacific through Feather River Canyon by daylight to San Francisco, arriving there Tuesday night, May 9th

The return trip will be as follows: Southern Pacific to San Antonio, Tex., stopping at Los Angeles and Loma Linda, California. Arrangements from San Antonio to Oklahoma City will be announced later.

There will be a special rate for this trip which will be approximately three-fourths of one fare each way. Round-trip tickets from Oklahoma City will be about \$99.00. This rate may vary from some points.

For further information address C. E. Smith, Secretary, 411 Baum Bldg., Oklahoma City. If any changes are made in the above schedule announcement will be made at once.

## North Texas Conf.

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Box 51

President - Elder J. F. Wright  
Sec.-Treas. - R. L. Atcheson

## NEWS NOTES

Elder Wright and Brother C. N. Woodward met with the Dalworth church Sunday night, and the church enjoyed the stereopticon lecture presenting the needs and possibilities of the work in the Philippine Islands.

Brother Dunn spent Sabbath the 11th with the Henrietta church in the interest of the Missionary Volunteer and educational work.

A letter from Miss Tressa Smith states that her school at Sherman is still doing nicely. She thinks she has the finest crowd of youngsters ever.

Elder Crane was called this week to visit Sister Roberts at Waxahachie who is very sick. The church has been asked to unite in prayer for her recovery.

The school at Lone Star closed February 24th.

Prof. A. W. Peterson was a visitor at the office this week. He and Brother Dunn are planning a tour among the larger churches in the interest of the Missionary Volunteers. They plan to hold their first convention at Dalworth, March 17-19.

Brother Bradford who has been laboring among the colored people in Dallas is returning to his old home in Kansas. Our prayers go with him that the Lord may continue to bless him in his work for the winning of souls.

Remember Big Week, April 8-18. Order your literature today.

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## South Texas Conf.

Office, San Antonio, Texas  
422 Oppenheimer Bldg.

President-Edm. R. P. Montgomery  
Sec.-Treas. - Etta Hewgley

## SOUTH TEXAS NEWS NOTES

The campaign for the Mexicans began Sunday night with a good attendance. The brethren have an ideal location and the tent is in good condition. The weather is delightful so we are expecting great things for the Mexicans in this effort.

Brother and Sister Riffel and Miss Hewgley returned from their trip to Falfurrias and other places and report an interesting trip. Their efforts to help the people to give the simple treatments and the lessons in cooking were much appreciated.

Brother Kirkham spent the Sabbath in San Antonio but is gone again. He likes to be with the colporteurs for some reason. The colporteurs like to have him with them too. Keep your eye on the book work work in South Texas this year.

Do you ask, "How is the effort going in San Antonio?" In answer will say that it is progressing nicely. In another week we shall report definite results, something more than a good interest.

Calls keep coming in for meetings to be held in other places in the conference. But where are the laborers to send?

We could employ more workers if we had the funds so be sure to send in your tithe to help replenish the operating fund.

Pray that God will bless the workers in bringing souls to Christ this year. Let all work to this end.

## NOTICE

The Hamby church is trying to clean up her church roll and the church wants the following members to report to the church by the last Sabbath in March. If failure is made in reporting the church will drop the following names from its record by apostasy:

Lois Ella Skelton, G. D. Strawn, Sister Saulo, Oscar Winter, Sister Roberts, Willie Roberts, Oclayvis Saulo. Please report to J. D. McMullen, Elder, Abilene, Texas route 7.

# COLPORTEUR'S WEEKLY REPORT

TEXICO CONFERENCE, For Week Ending February 25, 1922

Name	Address	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Val.	Helps	Total	Del.
F. J. Mackey		OD	47	12	36.00	2.25	38.25	1.25
John Scantlin		DR	41½	5	22.50	2.00	24.50	1.00
A. L. King		DR	32			3.00	3.00	24.00
Walter Woods		OD	32	6	16.50	10.00	26.50	38.75
Edward Stairs		GC	23½	1	4.50	2.75	7.25	7.25
R. Leslie Ward		PP	3½					4.50
<b>Total 6</b>			<b>210½</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>79.50</b>	<b>20.00</b>	<b>99.50</b>	<b>76.75</b>

SOUTH TEXAS CONFERENCE For Week Ending February 25, 1922

C. M. Norman, San Antonio	BR	19	1	4.50	.25	4.75	119.00
E. Benson, Hutto	OD	48	16	103.00		103.00	10.00
A. E. Johnson, Kenedy	OD	48	17	77.00	1.81	78.85	2.85
A. A. Prewitt, Kenedy	OD	47	30	93.50	1.10	94.60	1.10
Mrs. A. Prewitt, Kenedy	Mag.	2		1.20		1.20	1.20
W. M. Heytz, Carrizo Springs	PG	52	22	108.00		108.00	2.40
L. H. Fulbright	DR	19	14	19.50	2.50	22.00	2.50
J. Castillo, Carrizo Springs	PG	48	40	197.50	1.75	199.25	1.00
M. Castillo, Carrizo Springs	OD	57	55	150.75	.30	151.05	.30
Mrs. Lawrence San Antonio	Mag.	9		4.00		4.00	4.00
Mrs. Johnson, Kenedy	Mag.	2		1.20		1.20	1.20
J. Kibble, Houston	Mag.	73	6	22.00	3.00	25.00	8.00
<b>Total 12</b>		<b>424</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>728.15</b>	<b>10.75</b>	<b>792.90</b>	<b>173.53</b>

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE, For Week Ending February 25, 1922

M. M. Sikes	PP	50	14	69.00	19.75	101.25	2.75
Angelo Elder	DR	44	1	4.50	6.50	11.00	6.50
J. M. Millner	BR	44	8	41.50	2.00	66.50	2.00
Aaron Culp	OD	40	33	106.75	5.75	112.50	3.75
F. O. Buxton	DR	39	9	40.50	11.00	51.50	3.00
M. B. Lockwood	DR	37		22.50	6.00	28.50	1.00
Z. L. Davis	DR	36	3	13.50	11.25	30.50	4.75
Altus Almand	BR	30	2	21.00	12.00	36.35	12.00
A. J. Killion	BR	27	6	30.00	4.75	56.00	1.75
J. E. Craig	BR	26			1.00	1.00	
Bessie Jones	OD	24	8	23.00	2.25	27.00	.25
R. D. Whitney	BR	23	7	34.50	1.25	35.75	1.00
E. W. Crawford	CK	20	2	7.00	4.00	11.00	
J. P. Williams	OD	16	6	17.00	.75	23.75	10.25
Ira F. Stahl	DR	13			3.50	3.50	1.50
Mrs. S. G. Payne	HCL	9	19	18.60		18.60	
Mrs. V. T. Renshaw	BR	8	5	33.00	4.00	42.50	
R. D. Whitney	OD	7	1	3.00		3.00	9.00
Nora Fields	BR	4			2.00	2.00	2.75
T. L. Bynum	Misc.				15.00	15.00	
Misc. Sales				54.75		54.75	54.75
Misc. Bibles				19.50		19.50	
<b>Total 19</b>		<b>497</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>559.50</b>	<b>112.75</b>	<b>751.45</b>	<b>117.00</b>

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE For Week Ending March 4, 1922

W. McCanliss, Dallas	OD	23	18	51.50	.75	57.50	2.75
E. J. Kettle, Dallas	HM	26	10	26.00	6.75	32.75	
B. F. Baker, Fort Worth	OD	25	3	8.25	2.50	20.75	
<b>Total 3</b>		<b>74</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>85.75</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>111.00</b>	<b>2.75</b>

## BOOK DEPARTMENT

Secretary - - H. R. Gay

### A SPECIAL BOOK OFFER

We have a few copies of the book, "Source Book for Bible Students." This is a publication that every conference worker, church elder, leader, Sabbath school superintendent and Missionary Volunteer leader should have.

It contains valuable quotations, relating to history, doctrines and prophecies of the scriptures. These quotations are invaluable to all who are engaged in conference, church and personal work.

The regular retail price of this book in the cloth binding is \$1.50, limp leather \$2.50. While our stock lasts, we will sell them as follows:

Cloth.....\$ .90 postpaid  
Limp leather..... 1.25 postpaid  
Order of your Tract Society. Do it now.  
H. R. GAY.

### THE BOOK WORK

Five of our colporteurs' institutes are now in the past. Eighty persons have taken the instruction at these meetings.

The Bible studies at each meeting were an uplift to the colporteurs. It was clearly shown that now is the time to finish the work which Heaven has given us to do. The four winds are being held that God's people may improve the golden opportunities, before the night of persecution comes. How sad to think that so few are answering the call to hunt and fish for precious souls. The world's hunting and fishing seems to entice some of the professed people of God. The time will come when many will bewail because they failed to enter the harvest, during the "little time of peace." Honest souls are ready for the light. Who will help before the "night cometh in which no man can work?"

The servant of God has told us that our publications will be a mighty factor in finishing the work. Experiences are being received from every direction, proving that this is true. If you cannot go to the firing line, will you not pray for the colporteurs? Prayer will do much to help those at the front.  
H. R. GAY.

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## TEXICO CONFERENCE For Week Ending March 4, 1922

Name	Address	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Val.	Helps	Total	Del.
Clyde Turner, (Feb. 25)		BR	51	4	18.00	15.50	33.50	27.00
R. Wilkinson		GC	41	7	36.00	7.00	43.00	7.50
R. Wilkinson, (Feb. 25)		GC	34½	1	6.00	1.00	7.00	89.50
Edward Stairs		GC	27½	2	5.50	2.25	7.75	42.75
F. J. Mackey		OD	42	6	16.50	4.25	20.75	122.25
Manuel Juarros		OD	25	5	22.50		22.50	
M. Juarros (Feb. 25)		CGS	22	31	104.50		104.50	
Walter Woods		OD	16	1	2.75	5.00	7.75	6.75
Clyde Turner		BR	15	1	4.50	1.50	6.00	28.00
Mrs. McNeely		BR	13					93.00
J. D. Wilburn		OD	13	3	8.25	7.75	16.00	16.00
Total 7			300	61	223.50	44.25	267.75	332.50

## S. W. U. COLLEGE

### SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE NEWS NOTES

Edited by the Journalism Class

—Order your 1922 MIZPAH now! The first Annual describing our new College building.

—Mrs. R. A. Anderson has taken charge of the college laundry. This place was left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Burchfield-Schmidt.

—An engine house is being added to the sloyd shop and all the machines are being moved to one end of the building.

—We were pleasantly surprised last Monday by a visit from Elder Lukens. He was here to transact some business and left early Tuesday morning.

—The report of the Junior department of the Sabbath school shows that the girls are still in the lead. Last Sabbath five of their classes reached the hundred per cent goal. One boys' class reached the goal.

—Dr. Cook reports several cases of Russian flu in and around Keene.

—The history teacher, Professor Kelly, keeps his word. September 6, 1921, he told the student body that all he was going to require of his students was work and then more work. He has just given the members of the Ancient History class a list of examination questions and told them to go into the library and find the answers. This seems easy but it means hours of work to find what is wanted.

—Saturday night, February 25, the oratory students gave a program in commemoration of the poet, Long-

fellow. The program began with an overture, played by Mrs. Isaac, Professor Peebles and Misses Madden and Zachery. Following this, various poems of the great American poet were recited. Selections from "Hiawatha" were read and the girls' glee club rendered a selection. Other poems of Longfellow were given in the form of charades.

—A birthday party in honor of Charles M. Condon was given at the home of Mrs. Nelson, Sunday afternoon February 26.

—Glen Thurston, who was operated upon for appendicitis three weeks ago, has returned to the girls' college home.

—The college has recently purchased a light truck from the Stewart boys.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Woodward and daughter Mary spent the week end in Dalworth, where Mr. Woodward gave a stereopticon lecture on the Philippine Islands.

—The members of the shorthand class are already taking letter dictation and transcribing it. This past week a number of actual letters were gotten out for members of the Faculty.

—The topic of Friday evening vespers was "Divine Love." It was presented by Elder AcMoody.

—The college library is now furnished with twenty new tables.

—The canvassers' band gave a program in chapel Wednesday morning, March 8, 1922.

—The Seniors will go on their picnic Sunday, March 12.

—Mr. Rolland, the college horticulturist, is busy setting out blackberry and strawberry plants. He has order-

ed five dozen fruit trees and intends to start an orchard that the school may be supplied with its own fresh fruit.

—"Reverence" was the special topic for young people's meeting Sabbath, March 5. It made a strong impression on the audience.

—The test given this week to the students in the typwriting department showed very satisfactory results. A number of the operators have almost reached the average speed of forty words a minute required for the Underwood Proficiency certificate.

—The broom factory reports quite a coincidence four broom salesmen on the road and four broom makers at work.

—Professor Peterson made a short visit in Keene this week. He arrived in Keene and left the following morning on the Sante Fe.

—The students in the shorthand department are now using the dictating machines in their speed practice exercises. These can be made of great assistance as the machines can be regulated to any reasonable rate of speed.

—Coming to Keene next year? Then you should send for a copy of the 1922 MIZPAH for through it, as in no other way you will get a clear understanding of what Southwestern Junior College has in store for you.

#### NOTICE

Have you ordered your copy of the Annual yet? Don't wait, for the supply is limited and you don't want to miss getting yours.

Eighty pages of pictures and prose. In two bindings, the leatherette at \$1.75 and paper at 85 cents. Postage five cents extra. Send order to L. E. Martin, Keene, Texas.

#### CHURCH SCHOOL GARDEN

The idea of the church school garden at Keene took definite shape last week, when more than fifty pupils met at the school farm for the purpose of planting the first seeds.

The ground had been divided into small rectangles, each of which is to serve as a garden for two pupils. The school donated the money for seed. The money derived from the sale of the products is to be used for missionary purposes, through the regular Junior Society.

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## MEN'S GLEE CLUB

The Men's Glee Club gave a concert Saturday evening, March 4, in the school auditorium.

The songs rendered were old plantation melodies. The novelty "funny-graph" was a large box inside of which were three members of the club who gave some yodeling melodies. The program included several instrumental numbers.

The Glee Club has a membership of thirteen, with Professor Dortch as leader.

## THE COLLEGE BAKERY

The college bakery is a busy place on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday. Mr. Conrad bakes the rolls and bread for the school. In the bakery, 14 by 24 feet, 2000 sweet rolls and 300 loaves of bread are baked, for which 350 lbs. of flour are used. The value of these products amounts to \$120 per week.

The students say that Mr. Conrad's baking is "like mother used to bake."

## WHAT SHALL WE READ?

What am I permitted to read? Just what should I take the time to read? Should I spend most of my time reading the books I like or not? These are some of the many perplexing questions that come to the average person, especially to the college student.

In a chapel talk Tuesday morning, Brother Ellis offered some suggestions for solving some of these problems. He said first "No book is worth reading that does not build character."

Then he outlined a plan which might well be adopted by any one. In his scheme for such a well-balanced course of reading, Brother Ellis made each of the seven colors of the spectrum represent a particular class of literature.

**Purple**, the color of royalty, well symbolizes that literature which records the deeds of kings and heroes—history and biography.

**Indigo**, suggestive of the deepening shades of twilight represents the essay or meditative literature.

**Blue**, the color of the ethereal heavens is typical of the most ethereal of literature—poetry.

**Green**, nature's color, at once suggests books of science.

**Yellow**, brings to the mind the harvest time with the ripening grain and symbolizes the stories of missionary

endeavor.

**Orange**, (o) range may be made to represent stories of travel.

**Red**, the color of the blood, the stream of life—may stand for fiction, that literature which portrays life in its emotional side.

A course of reading which includes all these types and in about this proportion will enable one to become well informed on the great topics of human interest.

All of the forms of literature are found in different combinations and treated from different points of view. These, Brother Ellis illustrated by three colors.

**White**, a combination of all colors, typifies periodicals in which may be found all the literary types.

**Silver**, a glorified white, signifies religious books and papers in which all the types are used in presenting one of the greatest of all themes.

**Gold**, the brightest and purest of colors is a fitting symbol of the Bible, the masterpiece of all literary works.

The old adage "Clothes make the man" suggests a similar one—"The appearance of our college makes it." Anyway the students think it helps and so does the college president. Under the hands of Mr. Rolland, the school horticulturist, our grounds are being transformed into a beautiful landscape.

There now is a hedge in front of the college building, a row of evergreens on each side of the walks and new driveway which goes through the grounds. On the east and south sides of the college are two large flower beds, where Mr. Rolland intends to plant several varieties of flowers.

The ground in front of the college has been graded and Bermuda grass set before the front entrance. Other ground and hot beds are being prepared for flowers and plants.

Mr. Roland is using one of the south side basement rooms for a hot house. The bulbs and seeds are planted and cared for here until they are strong enough to live in the open beds, where they will be transplanted as soon as the weather will permit.

## THE NEW YEAR

What will you do with it? Form the habit of using its spare time systematically in correspondence study and it will be almost as good as going to school. For catalog of information about the matter, write to-day

to C. C. Lewis, Principal, Fireside Correspondence School, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

**PAPERS WANTED:** Papers are desired for reading rack work and distribution by Mrs. J. L. Rettig, 2900 Live Oak St., Dallas, Texas; and Mrs. H. M. B. Hardin, Ola, Arkansas.

## Oklahoma Conf.

Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Box 1077

President - Elder M. B. Van Kirk  
Sec.-Treas. C. L. Stillson

## NEWS NOTES

—Elder G. F. Eichman conducted a Missionary Volunteer convention with the Sapulpa church Sabbath and Sunday, March 4-5. A splendid interest was shown by the Sapulpa brethren and the organization of the Missionary Volunteer Society at Sapulpa was strengthened. Projects are good for excellent results from the work of this society.

—The brethren at Sapulpa are plastering their church building this week. Between meetings Sunday March 5 the brethren and sisters nailed on over 2,000 lath in the rooms of the first floor of the church. The mason sent word he was coming a week sooner than he had been expected. A splendid spirit is shown by the brethren and sisters of this church.

—Remittances from church treasurers and the isolated families are a bit slow in reaching the conference office this month. We know this is a time of financial stringency. Our workers are faithful in labor as well as in their tithes and offerings and we must feed them someway.

—A very interesting meeting of the department secretaries was held at the office Tuesday morning, March 7. The reports from the departments were interesting and encouraging. Considerable time was devoted to studying some details of the Big Literature Week which is set for April 8-14. The extension of our publishing work in Europe and Asia makes special effort necessary now. The funds for this are secured by the sale of literature by our brethren and sisters. Now is the time to plan for it.

—Two very encouraging incidents regarding colporteur work were received this week. Brother Craig who

is canvassing in the eastern part of the state writes, "I called at a home in the country and while exhibiting for Bible Readings and as I was just through with the exhibit the gentleman of the house spoke up in an abrupt way and said, "Is this a Seventh-day Adventist book?" Well I felt sure I had lost an order then. I told them that it was, then I noticed that they were trying to think about something so I commenced talking about the prophecies when they spoke up and remarked that when their house burned, they lost one of the best books they had ever read and it was about the prophets. After talking a few minutes more and asking a few questions I spoke of Patriarchs and Prophets and they both said that was the name of the book and as this was one of the same kind of books they wanted one."

—Brother Syphers who is assisting Brother Young in looking after the colporteurs and doing colporteur work on his own account as well, sends in a very interesting incident: "While assisting Brethren Buxton and Lockwood, one evening we were sitting in their rooms and a church bell began ringing so we put on our overcoats and hats and went to investigate. We found a prayer meeting just beginning so we attended and made the acquaintance of the pastor and others, so next day I called on the pastor and exhibited Bible Readings and took his order for one in half leather after which he inquired about other good books and said that he would recommend Best Stories for kindergarten class work for Sunday school; also that he considered Bible Readings was an excellent work and that he would mention it in his Sunday meeting if we wished. He asked us to visit the elder of the church which we did. He also ordered Bible Readings in half leather. This shows us that there are anxious earnest hearts looking for truth and helps among the leaders of other churches than our own."

—Brother Gurney writing about the delay of his remittance to the conference reports that the roads from Pond Creek to Enid are just becoming passable. The storm caused him to miss the meeting of the executive committee last week.

—A private letter Elder Dake reports the death of Sister Wix of Tulsa. Brother Wix is left with three little ones. We extend our sincerest sympathy and shall pray God to help them and comfort them in their sorrow.

—In a personal letter Miss Basel who is now at Arvada, Colo., Route 1, Box 83, writes that she is gradually improving in health. She desires to be remembered to her former associates and expresses a desire to be again in the harness.

—Brother Martin of Muskogee colored church reports a splendid meeting on Religious Liberty day.

—The Shawnee church distributed one hundred of the special number of Liberty. One sister left the hall after meeting and instead of going home visited a number of friends and secured seven names on her petition against the proposed Sunday laws. Brother Long spoke on the 2300 days last Sunday evening to good congregation.

—Elder Fillman has been suffering from an attack of la grippe. He writes encouragingly of the prospects for school next year. He says that the church has raised the money to finish the painting of the woodwork and the walls in their school building and chapel. This will be a great blessing.

—Mrs. Viola Carpenter (Joplin) is spending a few days in Oklahoma City. She was united in marriage to Mr. Carpenter at the home of her sister who lives not far from Ardmore. She and her husband plan to go to California soon and expect to attend the Medical Evangelistic Course. We wish her the best of success in her preparation for more advanced work.

—Brother Grant says that a number of persons who have not yet taken their stand for the Sabbath have stopped tobacco and he has hopes of their taking a full stand for the truth.

—Miss Letha Taylor spent Monday with the church school at Jennings. She reports things going very well.

—Miss Guida Davidson, one of our stenographers, has been so ill as to be in bed since Sabbath, March 4. She is improving at this writing, (March 8) and hopes to be up soon. We miss her services here in the office.

—Brother Young spent several days near Rusk assisting Brother Jacob Penner in canvassing. Brother Penner is from Germany and is just learning to speak English. He starts out very well as a colporteur. He is industrious and that always wins.

—Morris Lukens, Jr., who has been attending a Business College in Indiana returned home Tuesday last week. He is to assist in the stenographic work of the union office.

—Plans for routing of the delegates and visitors who will attend the Gen-

eral Conference are being rapidly perfected. As soon as possible full information will be sent out. The fare will be one and one-half one way fare. Tickets can be sold going one way and returning another. Persons receiving these rates must receive a certificate from the Union Conference Transportation Agent, Brother Smith, 411 Baum Building, as these rates are allowed only to Seventh-day Adventists who will attend the Conference. The Agent will not sell tickets at these rates unless this certificate is shown. Persons planning on going with the company should write to Brother Smith immediately. The tickets can be sold May 4.

#### THE INVESTMENT FUND

The time is here to promote this fund. Arrangements are being made to divide up the State, and workers are being assigned to the different sections. The fund is divided between home and foreign work. It is a splendid way to allow the Lord to help in giving his blessing. Some have pledged money but the plan is to set aside something that will grow so God can become a partner with you. It gives the children and young people a chance also to help materially. Plan now what you will do and when the opportunity comes, do your part.

M. B. VAN KIRK.

#### THE LAYMAN'S BIG WEEK

The promotion day program is set for March 11. This issue of the RECORD is too late for that. The Big Week is set for April 8-14. The idea is not new. We have been doing something along these lines in the past. Those who have really entered into the effort have found the experience a great blessing and help personally. The proceeds have been a great assistance in the expanding of our publishing work and too, all you bring in counts on the regular "60-cent-a-week" fund and assists you and your church in making your quota.

Now is the time for everyone to plan what he will undertake and let nothing keep him from its accomplishment.

M. B. VAN KIRK.

#### WALTERS

The following letter from Elder McDonald will give a good vision of the work at Walters: "The meetings

are getting along as well as we could expect with quite a little sickness in the neighborhood. One man was buried yesterday and there is another case in the same family very low. There is sickness also in several other families; still our attendance seems to be holding up pretty well as new ones are coming in.

"We organized a Sabbath school last Sabbath of about twenty. Sickness, I think kept out some who I think will be in next Sabbath. The people seem to be hearing the truth gladly and I hope when we close we can organize a church here. Some are coming to the meetings whom they say were never known to go to church before. Oh, I thank the dear Lord that His message is a compelling message and that old hardened sinners like to hear His word. Pray for us that the Lord may help me and that He may help the people to see the necessity of obeying His word."

C. M. McDINALD.

#### WITH THE WOODWARD SOCIETY

It was my privilege to spend Sabbath February 18 with the Woodward church. I was much interested in the Sabbath school. Every member likes to go to Sabbath school. It was my privilege to teach the young people's class because the teacher was not present. I was glad to note that most of the young people had studied their Sabbath school lesson every day. They knew their lessons.

After Sabbath school we had a long meeting. Various phases of the young peoples' work were discussed. The society set its goals for 1922 and all old and young were very enthusiastic over the Missionary Volunteer work. There are 21 members at Woodward that belong to the Missionary Volunteer society.

We had another meeting at 8 o'clock and a few people not of our faith were present.

G. F. EICHMAN.

#### STIGLER

Brother and Sister Grant are reaching out to different localities, San Bois, twelve miles south, being the present center of activity, once a judgment seat for the Choctaw tribe; the residence of the local governor, is now a place where souls are deciding their own destiny.

Slowly but steadily the church is

growing. Though money is difficult to obtain they raised a club of SIGNS for themselves and others.

Miss Abbie Dunn is teaching a group of active children and also assisting in the neighborhood work as much as possible. Elder Potter and I were glad to lend a helping hand.

Passing on to McAlester, one of the first objects of attraction was a reading rack in the interurban station kept replenished by Sister Dollarhide. Literature in twenty languages is placed here and all find a welcome.

The effort to place the Review in all Seventh-day Adventist homes has had the hearty support of our churches. The list is nearly up to the goal and more coming in. This has been followed by the Signs for Missionary work, clubs of five and ten and some larger. Tulsa is taking eighty-five. Largely, however, the Signs has been sent direct to interested individuals. Now we see the orders following each other in quick succession to Washington for the special number of Liberty to awaken the public mind in regard to the dangers ahead.

March 4 and 5 I spent with the Binger church. The membership is growing and the church is facing the responsibility of giving the invitation to those within their reach.

C. J. DART.

#### A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM

A little boy aged three, was very ill, suffering from influenza. Although burning with fever, he did not forget his Sabbath school lesson, for his mother had faithfully studied with him ever since he could lisp his first baby words and the daily study plan had become fixed habit. At this time he was so very ill that they studied only the memory verse. The next day when the mother entered the bed room, she found her other son, a boy of twelve, telling the lesson story to the sick child. She remonstrated with him telling him the little brother was too ill to study the lesson. "Oh," he replied "I am only telling him a story." He said he could not bear to have his little brother miss the daily lesson study. So he told him that intensely interesting story of Paul and Silas in the inner dungeon of the Philippiian jail; their feet fast in the stocks and their wonderful deliverance from prison.

These two boys receive a perfect record card of honor every quarter always bearing the daily study seal and the three-year-old can often repeat every memory verse for the quarter.

Such a preparation as this will enable families to stand when our Bibles shall be taken from us and a famine for the word of the Lord shall bill the land.

We call upon every member of every Sabbath school to join the daily study band. You need the inestimable blessing it will bring into your life.

CARRIE LUKENS.

#### MUSKOGEE

Elder and Mrs. Lukens were here over Sabbath. A good and profitable Sabbath school convention was held with the white church in the forenoon and in the afternoon many of the members went over to the colored church where a similar convention was held. The good music and splendid papers prepared on the assigned Sabbath school topics was an inspiration to our members who had never been there before, and probably so many of us being present stimulated them too. The Lord graced the meetings with His presence.

The Spirit of the Lord has been brooding over several families in Muskogee the past few weeks. This has been evident in our cottage meetings and services. Last night February 26th, I finished the sanctuary service in my lecture, at the conclusion of which, Sister Thomas and I were rejoicing, when the invitation was given, for five of our readers came forward and gave me their hand, thus making acknowledgement and intent to keep the Sabbath. Thus the Lord has entered five new homes. The three ladies that came forward, were Sister Thomas' readers who were first interested by a good quiet sister's life and words. O, what a work could be done if all our people would do their duty. One of the man who came forward was a man that I had been working with for more than a year, whose wife was raised a Catholic. However she said she admires him for making his stand. She has promised to play the piano for us. The other is a young man of sixteen who expects to earn a scholarship in the summer and enter one of our colleges in the fall, preparatory for the ministry. I have been studying with him.

We are glad to say that this is not

all the interest we have, and that among bright and intelligent young and middle aged. We hope to make some more good reports in a few weeks. Pray for us.

R. W. LEACH.

A new interest was aroused of late which looks very encouraging. Some have begun to keep the Sabbath, as reported last week, and others are talking of doing so. None of these have heard near all of the message. They seem to be true seekers and not hangers on. They are wide awake and seem to have fire in their eyes.

Subject, Sunday night March 5, was The First Angel's Message. The attendance was good, including most all the interested ones. The deep moving of the Spirit was seen by the splendid attention given. Upon invitation for those desiring to give their hearts to God and keep the comandments, including the Seventh Day Sabbath, a sister came forward who had taken her three children out of the church school, has been unfaithful in paying tithes and had worked on the Sabbath. This sister desired to make a new start. With sobs of grief and humility of mind she publically confessed her sin before the whole congregation and asked this church to forgive her. She wanted to be free to stand clear in the judgment and ever remain loyal to the message, without which she knew she was lost.

The church has 300 Liberty extras for distribution.

Sister Prindle, our church school teacher, has been unable to teach the past two weeks, owing to physical infirmity. It seems that she will be obliged to give up the school. This is hard for her to do, as she loves the children and feels that it is the best missionary work she can do. The church feels the loss of Sister Prindle's proficient help in the school work. We kneed your prayers.

R. W. LEACH.

#### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER CONVENTION AT SAPULPA

Sabbath and Sunday, March 4-5 were busy days at Sapulpa. Elder Van Kirk and I held a Missionary Volunteer convention. The convention opened Friday night with a sermon by Elder Van Kirk, our conference president.

The convention work was done Sabbath afternoon and Sunday which resulted in the organization of a Mis-

ionary Volunteer society. Various phases of the Missionary Volunteer work were considered and all seemed to appreciate the discussions. Elder Barr with his workers gave us hearty cooperation. They have the work well in hand and are building a church. We feel most assured that the organization of this society will add much to the strength of the department.

G. F. EICHMAN.

#### SCHISMS

There are few perplexing conditions that yield worse fruit than schisms in a church. In referring to schisms the apostle Paul says in 1 Cor. 12:25, "There should be no schisms in the body." The body spoken of is the church. The question of divisions in the church is also spoken of in 1 Cor. 1:10-11. The contention in the Corinthian church was due to some following Paul and some Appolos, some Cephas and some said, "I of Christ." One who is a follower of Christ should not allow himself to be drawn into becoming a part of any church faction. A true Christian is able to fellowship and work with men who do not see things just as he does. The Holy Spirit gives men power even to endure sever, persecution, and that from supposed brethren, and still go ahead calmly and in the assurance that God leads them.

Satan is trying in every way to bring in discord, even making it appear he is an angel of light but the salvation of each one depends upon his own relationship to Christ.

On page 285 of the new Gospel Workers there is a statement as follows: "The impartation of the Holy Spirit is the impartation of the life of Christ," and on page 287 of the same book we read, "When one is fully emptied of self, when every false God is cast out of the soul, the vacuum is filled by the inflowing of the life of Christ." Thus it is our own selfishness and idolatry that makes any kind of a schism possible for where Christ continues to dwell there is no division.

There are diversities of operations but the same Spirit operates in all who are led by God. Brethren, let us all, ministers, workers, church elders and people, take heed that we do not become a party to building up any sort of schism.

M. B. VAN KIRK.

#### WHAT WOULD YOU THINK?

"What would you think?" If you should go to New York City to spend a few days seeing the city. You would get a guide to show you the city. The guide would tell you that there are many items of interest to be seen such as the Statue of Liberty, the Woolworth and Singer buildings, the Pennsylvania Terminal, the Hudson Tunnel, etc., but he does not know where to find these places. What would you think of such a guide?

What would you think of a Missionary Volunteer, that knows the truth, but is not well enough acquainted with the scriptures to turn to the texts that support this precious faith?

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G. F. EICHMAN.

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