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A FOREIGN MISSIONARY EXPERIENCE IN SOUTH TEXAS

Having heard of an interest among some Mexican people at a place called La Reforma in the Rio Grande valley, the writer hastened to answer the call. These people are agriculturists who live about forty miles in from the railroad. Most of them own their own ranches and are situated very favorably if they had more rain in those parts, but when we visited them they had not had any rain yet this season and so they were disoccupied for they cannot do anything in the line of putting in their crops until they get their first rains. Everything was very dry and the poor cattle were dying off on every hand for the lack of food, for even the cactus, their food, was drying up.

Notwithstanding these perverse conditions, these people were very optimistic and told me that they thought it was providential that I came when I did for they had nothing special to do except to listen to the message that I brought them.

I found that these people had never seen one of our ministers, and had become interested in the truth in this way:—It happened that about a year or so ago a colporteur passed through that part of the state selling *Guia Practica* (Practical Guide) and he left some tracts in one home which were read and becoming interested, an order was sent to the tract society for more reading matter and by the time we arrived these dear people had been

keeping the Sabbath for over a year.

Each evening we gathered in the country school house for a service and there were always between 75 and 85 present, and most of them would arrive a half hour early and would be waiting for us when we arrived, so eager were they to catch every word of instruction that we had for them. One dear man said, "Why Brother, we are so thirsty to hear the whole truth."

A request was made for baptism and

Word. Every one found that it meant a cross to bear but they cheerfully took up their cross and bore it for the Master. All were accustomed to the free use of swine's flesh and lard, but when they were shown that these things are an abomination to the Lord they said, "We will use them no more." We found that some of the young people as well as the old were given to the wearing of jewelry, but when we read to them what the Lord has told us about the outward adorn-



A GROUP OF MEXICAN BELIEVERS

so early in our stay with them, we organized a special class for giving specific instruction to the candidates. Every morning for the five days that we were with them we met and studied carefully as to what the Christian's duty is, and how they drank in the truth! We had no sleepy members in our meetings even though some of these studies were held for over two hours at a time. It would have done you all good to see how these dear people accepted every ray of light as it was presented to them from God's

ing of our persons, these things all disappeared. The tithing system appealed to them and they immediately began returning to the Lord His own.

After studying with them and seeing their willingness to accept the whole Bible as their guide book, the writer felt justified in granting their request for baptism, and Sabbath morning it was our happy lot to see 18 of these dear people follow their Lord in this sacred rite, and how happy they were! It was the sweetest experience of their lives and their faces beamed

with satisfaction as they took this final step thus declaring to their friends and neighbors their desire to surrender their whole lives in obedience to the will of their Saviour. There were 70 who witnessed this solemn ceremony and we are sure that many others were impressed with their duty, for afterward some spoke to us saying, "Next time when you come out to see us we will be ready too." We organized a Sabbath school for these people and they are the happiest Seventh-day Adventists we have ever seen. We plan on visiting them frequently and keeping in close touch with them.

We thank the Lord for this experience and we hope that we may have many more just like it. Dear colporteurs, be faithful and your reward is sure. It pays to drop tracts while we are selling books.

W. B. MIRAMONTEZ.

Union Sec. Mexican Department

WHAT DO YOU KNOW

About the Nazarites? Do you know where the law of the Nazarite is found? Critics say that the Scriptures are not consistent, that they mention Nazarites long before the Israelites settled in Palestine where Nazareth is located. Some time you might be glad to know the difference between a Nazarene and a Nazarite. Those books of Moses are wonderfully interesting and throw a flood of light on many of the New Testament passages. Recently an old friend said to me, "I'm a mechanic. If a machine is to work it must line up. I've put up a good many shafts in buildings, and if the shaft wheels are out of line or out of balance they will shake the building down." The reason why Christianity has made such tremendous progress during the past nineteen hundred years in spite of opposition is because its Bible "tra ks." The church is not going to be shaken down, and Bible readers are not going to be shaken out. Read your Bible through and become a member of Attainment.

ALFRED W. PETERSON.

ESTABLISHING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Since the first orders for the new reading course book "Pioneer Stories of the Second Advent Message" were filled the publishers have received

scores of testimonials and expressions of appreciation. Among these are the following:

"Last week I took a copy of 'Pioneer Stories of the Second Advent Message' home with me and found it so interesting that I devoted all my spare time to it for the next two days until I had read it through from cover to cover.

"It seems to me that the experiences of our early pioneers as told by the author with all their interesting facts and side lights into the every day life of those who were used by the Lord in a special way to begin the work of bringing to the world the message of the soon coming of the Master, never have been so interestingly told before.

"I wish I could do something to place a copy of this book in the hands of each one of our young people in this conference. I can conceive of nothing which would establish our youth in the message and give such a comprehensive idea, in an interesting way, of what our pioneers endured in order to forward the gospel, as the reading of 'Pioneer Stories.'—A tract society secretary.

"Enclosed is another order for 'Pioneer Stories.' You certainly have produced a splendid book. I have been reading it quite a bit of late, and certainly like the way this history is written up by Brother Spalding. You can feel proud of this volume. We shall do all we can to push it for it is just as interesting for the older folks." S. J. Abegg, Manager of St. Paul branch

"I was so impressed with the make-up, contents and usefulness, that I read it aloud to my wife from cover to cover. In my estimation it is a book that cannot receive too wide a circulation. It seems to fill a place which no other book could fill. I personally hope that not only the young, but every Seventh-day Adventist person will read it.

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A SOUTH TEXAS COLPORTEUR'S EXPERIENCE

After spending three days securing permission to sell "Our Lords Return" in one of our training camps I was allowed to begin work. At four o'clock in the afternoon of my first day's work I had made forty-five sales and was just then calling at the quarters of one of the chaplains who said he cared nothing for the book I was offering for sale and he was very sorry it was in the camp. I told him I believed he had not given the subject proper consideration. He then stated that he was going to again take the matter up with the commanding general. I told him I had permission from the commanding general; he answered that he knew that but for me to consider myself under arrest. I again started to tell him that I thought it was the pleasure of all the chaplains that the book be sold when he interrupted by saying I was under arrest and had no right to talk. In a few minutes an automobile was at the front in which I was invited to take a ride to the headquarters. On this journey I was accompanied by two officers carrying Springfield rifles, automatic pistols and a long sword at their side. At headquarters the General immediately came into the room where we were awaiting him. He asked what the charge was, and the chaplain answered that I was selling a book which he wanted stopped at once.

The General asked if I had permission and I gave him the pass with his signature at the bottom. He then asked who advised him to issue such a pass. He was told the head chaplain. The head chaplain was then called and immediately arrangements were made for us to remove to the assembly hall. The building used for church in the camp where we would be more private. On arrival there the General asked that the chaplain who had me arrested show what the book contained that was wrong and should not be tolerated by the camps. He answered that it was all wrong. The General then asked him to ask me questions and I answered. I arose and asked what particular objection he had to offer. He again stated that it was all wrong. The General then asked that I go through the book and to the best of my ability I explained its contents. Soon I reached the sub-

ject as found on page nine, "Jesus will come again" I remarked that we looked forward to that time as we believed the saints both living and dead would then receive their reward. The chaplain who had me arrested rose apparently in anger and said he demanded that I prove that from the Bible. I was handed a Bible and read from 1 Thess. 4:16, "The dead in Christ shall rise first." I remarked that we believed this text to mean what it said and the righteous would at this time receive their reward. All the righteous are looking to this as a very important event as their reward came at that time. The General then arose and said that I had showed Bible evidence for my belief and that they were going to take a vote and all who stood in the minority would be expected to give reasonable evidence or they would be asked to make the vote unanimous as all must stand together.

When the vote was cast all voted that I be allowed to continue the sale of my book. The chaplain who had me arrested then stated that he would not give twenty-five cents for one of the books but if I could talk his wife in the notion of buying one he would furnish the quarter. I again started to work and sold eleven more making fifty-six for the entire day.

C. M. NORMAN.

A PROVIDENTIAL OPENING

Up to the beginning of 1921 there were already in this country nearly thirty-five million foreigners, or a little more than one-third of the total population of the country. Of this vast population, according to the Detroit Free Press of October 12, 1920, ten million are unable to speak the English language.

The problem of caring for this deluge of immigration became so great that Congress was compelled to give the matter special attention. The Billingham Act was passed, which restricted the admission of aliens in any one year to three per cent of the number here, reckoned nationality by nationality, as shown by the census of 1910. This act automatically becomes inoperative on the 30th day of next June. In the meantime it will be the duty of Congress to pass a new set of permanent restrictive measures.

During the last twenty-seven years over ten million Roman Catholics and four million Greek Catholics have

arrived in the United States. From a missionary point of view it seems to us decidedly providential that there is a great turning away from the Catholic church on the part of some of these foreign speaking people. It is reported that more than two million people and about three hundred priests have separated themselves from the Roman Catholic church in Czechoslovakia. Surely this news ought to inspire us with new courage to put forth our best efforts in behalf of these people. If at any time the objection is made that they are turning to infidelity it might be well to remember a statement by one of their leading clergymen. Speaking for his people he said, "They are Roman Catholics by birth, infidels by necessity (referring of course to the hypocrisy of the Roman church), and Protestants by history and inclination."

Among the Polish people we find the same awakening. Not more than two months ago, while working in the city of Rochester in the Harvest In-gathering campaign, one of our brethren was told by a member of their large Polish church that three hundred and fifty Polish families had separated from the Roman church in that one city alone. These facts remind us of the significant words of the servant of the Lord in relating what was shown in vision: "I have been shown that our publications should be printed in different languages . . . I was shown men and women studying with intense interest papers and a few pages of tracts upon present truth. They would read the evidences so wonderful and new to them, and would open their Bibles with a deep and new interest, as subjects of truth that had been dark to them were made plain, especially the light in regard to the Sabbath of the fourth commandment. As they searched the Scriptures to see if these things were so, a new light shone upon their understanding, for angels were hovering over them, and impressing their minds with the truths contained in the publications they had been reading.

"I saw them holding papers and tracts in one hand and the Bible in the other, while their cheeks were wet with tears;—and bowing before God in earnest humble prayer, to be guided into all truth, the very thing He was doing for them before they called upon Him. And when the truth was received in their hearts, and they saw the harmonious chain of truth, the Bible was to them a new book;

they hugged it to their hearts with grateful joy, while their countenances were all aglow with the happiness of holy joy." "Life Sketches," pages 214 and 215.

E. R. NUMBERS,

Assistant Secretary, Home Missionary Department, General Conference.

VOLUNTEERS VERSUS SLACKERS

The first word has the right ring, the last a sickening sound. Everybody respects a volunteer, everybody detests a slacker.

Real Missionary Volunteers are minute men. No matter what the call they stand ready to spring to the front.

Every call to organize our young people, which has come through the Spirit of Prophecy, has been a definite call to service.

"Young men and young women, cannot you form companies, and as soldiers of Christ, enlist in the work, putting all your tact and skill and talent into the Master's service, that you may save souls from ruin? Let there be companies organized in every church to do this work. . . .

"Will the young men and the young women who really love Jesus organize themselves as workers, not only for those who profess 'o be Sabbath keepers, but for those who are not of our faith?"

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It would be an excellent addition to the Missionary Volunteer library to place upon its shelves a bound volume containing the complete set of 48 numbers. The price is but \$.75.

When one number is so much appreciated that it is literally read to pieces, what a privilege to be the messenger to pass the good word along! You will be interested in the following letter lately received at the office of publication:

Dear Sir:

"Would you like to hear a story of one of your copies of Present Truth, of which I suppose thousands were printed? This is the story of just one copy, Volume III, No 43, 'Angels Their

Origin and Work.' I do not know what the date of it is, but it is the best I ever read, I believe.

"Someone, I do not know who, threw this paper on my mother's porch in North Chattanooga. She, thinking it was an advertisement of the sale of something, picked it up to throw it away, but began to read it. She liked it so well she got my father to read it. He liked it so much he brought it to me. We are building contractors. He made me sit down on the job and read it. being afraid I would not do it if I brought it home. The paper by this time was beginning to get worn out and torn. One of the truck drivers brought some lumber on the job, and I began to read to him. He at once fell in love with it, and begged me for it to take home to study and to read to his wife. But I wanted my wife to read it, and I had to promise him faithfully I would bring it back tomorrow. My wife read it last night, and it is now in about four pieces, but it can be read several times yet, and I will deliver it to the truckman tomorrow. If all your copies could do as much as this one, you would soon turn the world into Christian people.

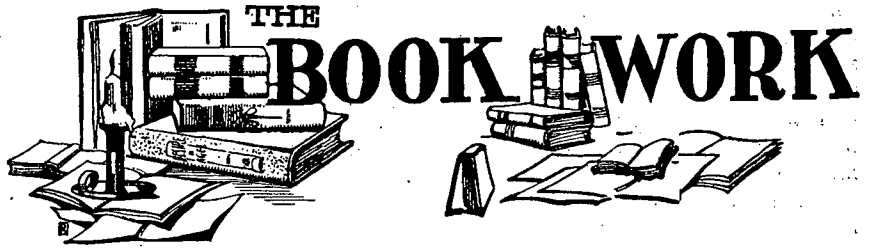
"I like it fine, and would like to get it regularly. Is it a weekly or a monthly? Send me your terms. I would like to have another copy of this same issue to read extracts from and make a talk in prayer meeting on Wednesday night. I belong to the Christian church. My address is—"

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C. A. RUSSELL.

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COLPORTEUR'S WEEKLY REPORT

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE, Two Weeks Ending May 13, 1922

Name	Address	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Val.	Helps	Total	Del.
Joseph Nelson		B R	52	33	\$157 00	\$ 2 50	\$159 50	\$ 2 50
George Kloss		B R	80	39	175 50	9 75	185 25	5 00
R. C. Dearing		O D	96	35	116 25	25	116 50	38 75
Leo Kinder	D R & H H		70	46	188 00	2 00	190 00	18 00
W. Brinegar	B F L & P P F		80	26	77 50	4 00	81 50	59 50
Cecil Morton		O D	14	8	23 00	1 75	24 75	1 75
R. S. Little	B R & O D		58					63 25
Walter Robinson		O D	18	3	8 25		8 25	25 75
Mrs. C. H. Mullins		O D						2 75
Agents	9		468	190	745 50	20 25	765 75	217 25

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE, Week Ending May 6, 1922

B. F. Baker		O D	12	1	2 75		2 75	7 50
A. N. Colunga		H M	21	2	6 00	1 50	7 50	39 00
Mrs. N J. Lieman		B R	20	2	9 00	10 00	19 00	
J. D. Wilburn		O D	8			2 90	2 90	22 00
Mrs. Henrietta Waits		B R	7			1 75	1 75	
Agents	5		68	5	17 75	16 15	33 90	68 50

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE, Two Weeks Ending May 13, 1922

R. D. Hubbard		H C L	6	7		6 75	6 75	
Ollie Buxton		O D	35	27	76 00	9 40	85 40	8 90
A. Conrad		G C	33	21	54 00	8 00	62 00	6 50
J. S. Heytz		O D	33	5	16 75	7 75	24 50	4 75
F. O. Buxton		D R	29	1	4 50		4 50	8 50
Buford Ward		D R	28	11	51 00	18 00	69 00	4 50
M. E. Underwood		O D	19	10	30 75	3 25	34 00	8 75
Otto Krotz		B R	16	2	10 50	1 00	11 50	1 00
S. P. Wallace		O D	16	1	2 75		2 75	
J. H. Blurer		O D	15	4	35 55	5 00	40 25	4 00
Joe Krotz		B R	15	1	4 50	1 75	6 25	1 50
J. M. Millner		B R	13					67 10
J. D. Davis		D R	83	16	86 00	24 50	110 50	23 50
R. D. Whitney		B R	63	20	94 50	51 75	146 26	9 25
Altus Almond		B R	56	14	21 00	7 75	28 75	41 00
A. J. Killion		B R	63	15	74 50	71 70	146 20	38 00
J. P. Williams		O D	68	13	37 75	41 05	79 80	11 30
E. W. Crawford		C K	32	3	6 00	6 00	13 00	10 00
M. J. Low		B R	47	9	43 50	13 00	56 50	124 00
J. E. Craig		B R	46	11	49 50	28 00	77 50	77 75
Ira F. Stahl		D R	56	5	24 00	19 00	40 00	51 50
Mrs. J. Ross		O D	38	11	30 35	47 00	77 35	55 75
Nora Field2		B R	18	4	18 00	2 25	20 25	10 50
Mag. and Misc.					225 00		225 00	225 00
Agents	23		818	200	999 10	369 90	1366 00	793 00

SOUTH TEXAS CONFERENCE, Week Ending May 6, 1922

N. Nidleet, Houston	O D	30	43	120 25		190 25	13 50
A. A. Prhwitt, Karnes	O D	51	35	115 25	3 60	118 85	2 75
A. E. Johnson, Karnes	G C	60	20	91 50	5 80	97 40	
D. V. Cram, Poteet	G C	39	10	51 50	3 00	54 50	
John Kibble, Liberty	O D	51	17	49 75	2 50	52 25	3 00
C. H. McColrey, Yorktown	G C	11	8	37 50	1 00	28 50	
D. E. Washington, Houston	O D	6	12	32 90		32 90	
E. B. Sminh, Houston	B F	9	11	32 50	50	33 00	
Emil Wollschlaeger, Yorkt,n	G C	11	3	14 50	25	14 75	
E. H. Fullbright, Th. Rivers	D R	18	2	0 00	3 00	12 00	55 50
Migiel Castillo, Asherton	O D	40					47 25
The Stoners, Beaumont		41		27 80		17 80	
Agents 12		359	161	572 45	19 65	592 19	122 90

TEXICO CONFERENCE, Two Weeks Ending May 13, 1922

Rena Turner	D R	31	6	13 50	4 75	18 25	2 75
W. C. Loveless	O D	6	22	62 75	7 50	70 25	26 75
F. J. Mackey	O D	106	18	49 50	6 50	56 00	5 50
A. L. King	D R	95	7	31 50	9 25	40 22	13 75
E. Stairs	O D	92	5	16 50	5 25	21 75	4 00
C. Turner	B R	84	19	87 25	26 00	112 25	66 50
R. Wilkinson	G C	75	5	25 50	3 75	29 25	4 25
Guy Chinn	D R	58	1	4 50	5 75	10 25	3 00
R. M. Flores	P G	62	24	105 50		105 50	11 15
Mrs. McNeely	B R	55	7	31 50	6 00	37 50	5 50
Bibles							29 25
Agents 10		662	115	428 00	74 75	502 75	235 65

Grand Totals, Agents 59	2372	671	2759 80	500 70	3260 50	1536 35
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8. The Nature of Man, Life Only in Christ
9. The Millennium, 1000 Years with Christ
10. The Home of the Saved

The price of these tracts has been placed so low that they will be sold only by the thousand. Just write your tract society thus: "Send me one package (1000 tracts) Leaves of Autumn, for which I inclose \$3.50."

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Arkansas Conf.

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STATEMENT OF 60-A-WEEK FUND 3 MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1922

	Quota	Amount Received	Amount Short
Ark. W	3361.80	947.10	2414.70
Ark. C	357.50	126.86	230.64

NEWS NOTES

A picnic was given for the Little Rock church last Sunday. Most of the members attended and report a very enjoyable time in spite of the tumbles taken over the rocks, which were so numerous on the grounds.

Miss Treve Robinson and Messrs. Leonard Robinson, Elba and Marbert Black and Roy Griffin are visiting in Little Rock at the present. They all expect to enter the canvassing field soon.

Mr. Cecil Morton has already gone to his field of labor and has sent in a good report for the short time he put in last week. He attended the Little Rock church school last winter.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Ross are visiting friends and relatives in Little Rock for a few weeks. They plan to spend the summer in the Oklahoma conference.

About thirty-five orders have been received at the Tract Society for the General Conference Bulletin.

Mr. William Wilson was a caller at this office today. He is on his way to Clarksville, where he will canvass this summer. He came by way of Jefferson where his sister, Katherine, accompanied him to their home at Bonnerdale.

Brother Hooper is helping the colporteurs this week. He will visit Mr. Kloss at Patmos and Mr. Brinegar at Stamps before returning to the office.

A number of young people gathered at the home of Mrs. Hooper last Monday evening. The evening was enjoyed.

Mr. Wylie B. Jones called at the office Monday night on his way home:

Miss Erma E. Hooten was in the city Monday night also. Her school at Hot Springs closed Friday and she has returned to her home at Chester. The work at Hot Springs was completed nicely and she will be there another year.

Brother and Sister Hooper entertained the young people in the Little Rock church at their home Tuesday night. Cecil Morton will leave immediately after the closing exercise here and this occasioned the farewell party. Every one enjoyed the various games and the refreshments, ice cream and cake.

Misses Fremona Black, Mary Mullins, Marion Beamer, and Ruth Beamer have returned to their homes in Little Rock. We are glad to welcome them home.

Mr. William Wilson, who has been attending school at Keene, and his sister Katherine, who has been teaching at Jefferson, Texas, passed through Little Rock the first part of last week.

We are looking forward to the reports from the new colporteurs who are just coming to us from Keene.

SCHOOL NOTES

Wednesday evening, May 12, marked the closing of a very successful school term here under the direction of Mrs. L. J. Black. A program was rendered in the church that evening at 8:00 o'clock.

The program was given in two parts; part one was given by grades one to six. The drills and musical selections made this part very interesting indeed. The grade cards were given to those in these grades. Eight also received Reading Course Certificates.

Part two was the commencement exercises for those finishing the eighth grade. The church was tastefully decorated with the class colors—pink and green. The motto—"The First Milestone"—was placed on a background of white, which was bordered with green leaves. The class appreciated very much the address written by Elder Taylor which was read by Sister Taylor. In this he urged each member of the class to go past the first milestone and get an education, but get it in schools of God's appointment.

There were five in this class. Each part was rendered in such a way as gave credit to the ones rendering as well as to the teacher. At the close of part two, grade cards and diplomas were given to each of the five. All received Standard of Attainment Certificates. The following finished the eighth grade: Cecil Morton, Evangeline Green, Gladys Dougon, Minnie Ladd, and Lois Mullins.

One other will receive a Standard of Attainment Certificate as soon as she has passed an examination in History of

Missions. The following have passed in History of Missions and expect to take Denominational History test this fall: Ivan Hooper, Anna Stone, Janette Watson.

VISITING CHURCHES

At Marianna we held a very good series of meetings for about five days, which strengthened the members spiritually and deepened their Christian experience. I am sorry to say that since the church was first organized in 1918, a period of nearly four years, over half of the members have moved away. However I am glad to say that since the first of our day-school here the number has increased from eight or nine pupils in 1919 to twenty now. We have a nice church building, the best colored church in the state. If the members had remained here, this would have been the largest and strongest church, financially.

My next visit was to Earle, Ark., where I held a short meeting and organized a Sabbath school. This Sabbath school has now thirteen members. These people are very earnest and are growing stronger in the Lord and we have a good prospect for a church here. They are primarily the fruit of one of our faithful colporteurs.

Pine Bluff was the next place we visited. Here we have a growing work. It is under the direction of Brother and Sister A. B. B. Storey and I am glad to say that they are building up a good, strong work, but the greatest need at this place is a church building. If they had a building much more could be accomplished. Please let me appeal to you for a little help for the building of a church. If you are impressed by the Spirit to make a contribution, send it through the regular channel—the conference—stating that it is for the Pine Bluff building fund.

Recently I held a three weeks' meeting in Little Rock which meant much to them spiritually. The enemy has been working to cause some of them to prove disloyal and to finally make shipwreck of their faith. The Lord blessed and turned a threatened defeat into a victory for some in the church. Quite a number surrendered fully to God by confessing their sins to God and their faults one to another. A closer spirit of love and co-operation now prevails. While the meeting was primarily for the church, we had four new Sabbath-keepers who promised to keep all the commandments, and are

willing to walk in all the light the Lord has for them. Two others were baptized and united with the church. A splendid interest prevails and many anxious hearts are ready for the message in this city now.

From Little Rock we return to Ft. Smith, our youngest church, and I am glad to say the work is progressing nicely and the members are of good courage in the Lord, and doing their utmost to help finish the work. Ft. Smith and Little Rock greatly need settled pastors--pastors to stay right by the work and build up a strong membership. Brother Richard Loudon, who has just graduated from the Oakwood Junior College, has come to this conference to make this his field of labor, and at present is visiting the members of the Little Rock church number two.

J. W. ALLISON.

Oklahoma Conf.

Oklahoma City, Okla.
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**STATEMENT OF 60-A-WEEK FUND
3 MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1922**

	Quota	Amount Received	Amount Short
Okla. W	15046.20	9676.86	5369.34
Okla. C	786.50	508.31	278.19

IMPORTANT NOTICE

"The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few." Luke 10:2.

Watch the Oklahoma reports and you will see what is needed. We are doing well considering the number of hours put in but we should have at least double the number of workers in the field.

"Those who defer obedience until every uncertainty disappears and there remains no risk of failure or defeat, will never obey." Gospel Workers, page 262.

"Perhaps He places before them duties they would not choose." Id., p. 269.

"Men and women are wanted now who are as true to duty as the needle to the pole--men and women who will work without having their way smoothed and every obstacle removed". Colporteur Evangelist, page 58.

Let us stop hunting for something

easy. Let us say with God's help I can and I will.

"Let them come, not expecting ease, but to be brave and of good courage under rebuffs and hardships." Colporteur Evangelist, page 57.

We have plenty of territory where some of our books have never been sold. Please write to me and I will be glad to help you get started in the colporteur work.

C. N. YOUNG.

Box 1077 Oklahoma City, Okla.

OKLAHOMA NEWS NOTES

More Investment Pledges have come in this week. We are glad to receive them and hope that these investments will bring in large returns for missions.

One of our church members, J. B. Robinson, of Jennings, reports that three nights out of each week he holds Bible studies at Nelagony with an attendance of about one hundred. The interest is good and he has hopes of several accepting the truth.

The church school graduates gave their closing exercises at the church Sunday night. There were sixteen graduates, eight from the eighth grade and eight from the tenth. This speaks well for the work done in our school the past year and we feel that the teachers have earned a long summer's vacation. At the eleven o'clock hour Sabbath Elder White preached the baccalaureate sermon, encouraging these young people in their preparation for usefulness in the Lord's service.

We still have on our shelves some of last year's Reading Course Books. If you have not read them send for them now.

The Oklahoma delegates all reached San Francisco in good health and good spirits, on Tuesday, May 9. Each one is well located and enjoying the Conference.

Brother Caleb Martin writes that he has another individual who has been wavering concerning the Sabbath about ready to take her stand in full. We thank God for these souls who are taking hold of the truth.

Brother McDonald writes that the meetings in Shawnee still continue though the weather is bad. We trust God will find more souls in Shawnee.

Mrs. Thomas writes that the church at Muskogee is putting forth redoubled efforts to spread the Message and that the sisters who are engaged in this work have brought in splendid reports of the meeting.

Brother Sturgeon will be with them after this to assist. This is as it should be' the church itself must do the work and not depend upon the ministers.

Most of the workers are at Conference hence there is not much news from the field to write.

General Conference opened on schedule time with a sermon by Elder I. H. Evans. The first Sabbath morning Elder Daniels gave a stirring call for a full consecration. The keynote of the meeting is "The reception of the Holy Spirit and the putting away of sin and the accomplishment of victorious life." The program has arranged for nearly two hours of devotional meetings in the morning before business session. At this writing we have held three Conference meetings, --Friday morning, afternoon and Sunday morning. The next session will come this afternoon. The great Convention Hall is well-filled with delegates and visitors. More than three thousand people responded to the call Sabbath morning to a fuller consecration and few eyes were dry in the vast assembly as the delegates and visitors gave themselves anew to the service of God. Reports thus far have been stirring. Elder L. H. Christian related in the meeting evening after the Sabbath many things which he had seen in famine-stricken Russia which brought the tears to our eyes. Truly it is a solemn time. Elder I. H. Evans' report from the Asiatic Division to a splendid audience told of the facilities and experiences of that field. This was followed by the publishing report which was so full of encouragement that everybody become enthusiastic over the distribution of literature. Southwestern delegates has been assigned a good place in the center of the hall. There are three seats about twelve chairs pretty well filled. Although the delegates wives are allowed to sit with them during the Conference. Everybody is happy and enjoying the meetings and endeavoring to secure from this meeting all the spiritual help possible and all the help this experience can gain. You will hear from us frequently during the Conference. We trust that everyone is receiving the Bulletin.



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N. Tex. W	7815.60	3660.43	4155.17
N. Tex. C	325.00	132.58	192.42

COLPORTEUR'S EXPERIENCE

While working with Miss Mamie Eastman we met a Jewish family who were very friendly. We sold them a copy of "Satan" and after reading Isa. 53; and Dan. 9:25 we received an order for "Our Day." This is the first time that we have been able to reach any of the Jews. Later we secured a subscription for the Yiddish magazine. Surely the Yiddish are awakening.

We also met a lady who was sick. She said that she had always wanted to be Christian, but someone had told her that the prayers of a sinner would not be heard so she had lost all hope. It is a blessed privilege to go out with our good literature. If we do not sell to everyone we may speak words of comfort to those who are in darkness.

Many who read this should be in the field at this time. "From the light given me I know that where there is one in the field, there should be one hundred." C. E., p. 7, par. 2.

D. VAN CAMPEN.

NEWS NOTES

A letter from Brother Atcheson tells us that they are having a delightful time attending the General Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Condon were pleasant callers at the office Sunday. They were here to spend the week-end with their son, Charles.

Brother Van Campen is still in the field assisting the new recruits. We now have several little companies of workers in different parts of our conference and are looking for some record-breaking reports.

We have received several inquiries as to why the General Conference Bulletin has not been received. It requires some four or five days for mail to reach us (See bottom of last column)

South Texas Conf.

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S. Tex. W	3876.60	1489.29	2387.31
S. Tex. C&M	312.00	255.18	56.82

AT THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The company of workers from the South Texas Conference with other delegations from the other conferences in our Union and from other Unions very much enjoyed our journey to San Francisco to attend the General Conference. The beautiful and sublime scenery along the way broke the monotony of the corn and cotton fields which are so common to us in the southwest. We all boarded the observation car in passing through the Royal Gorge and for hours we beheld scenery the grandeur of which cannot possibly be described by pen or voice. We spent Sabbath in Denver. Some of us went up to Boulder and went through our Sanitarium there. This is an ideal spot for such an institution. We regretted to leave the place.

We were in Salt Lake City several hours. While there we were shown around the city and had the privilege of going through the Tabernacle in Mormon Square. We also saw the temple but were not permitted to go inside of it.

But we did not make this long and expensive trip in order to see the country. We came here to attend the most important conference ever held during our history.

We are attending important meetings all day long, listening to encouraging reports from secretaries of departments and leaders in divisional and mission fields. Thus far in the meetings no business has been transacted but committees have been formed.

The importance of receiving spiritual help and an outpouring of the Spirit of God is emphasized by the various speakers. The Lord is coming divinely near us and we sense His presence. We long for more of His fullness and power. Remember the conference in prayer.

R. P. MONTGOMERY.

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from the Pacific Press and the heavy rains in various localities have added some to the delay. You should receive the Bulletin within the next few days however.