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Dr. T. B. Ray,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Brother Ray:--

I am out of my office for a few days. Came up here to Tularosa, N.M. last Saturday to preach for a few days here with Bro. Pace, the pastor of the church here. Had a good day yesterday and prospects are good for a good meeting. Pray for us.

I am sending herewith the report for August. This is the best balance sheet for August we have ever had by far, I think. You should remember that we had five pay-days in the month, but withal our collections from work done for the public covered it and left us a small balance.

Then note the stock bill. That is about all in the house. I laid in quite a bit of paper and from all appearances I made no mistake.

In our drive for Atalaya subscriptions we have added nearly if not quite 500 subscribers to our list in the past two months. Of course we have all but given the paper away for six months, but feel that we can hold many of these and thus get the paper read by a larger number. It is a problem, in truth, to get the paper in the hands of our people. The pastors are not much hands for this kind of work and so we have to educate them up to it. They seem to have made some improvement this time over former efforts.

If you ever get a chance to talk to Dr. Gray about the border situation you can safely tell him that we here are not meddling in Dr. Daniel's affairs and furthermore that we have too much to do to even permit us to think of such matters. I think they are understanding things better down at Atlanta. Another thing that is strongly against Daniel in his war on us is that we are furnishing more literature to the churches of the Home Board than we are to those of any other Board and that too without one cent from them.

From what I have heard, they are getting their eyes open down there. Here is hoping, and that they may get them wide open. May the Lord direct us all in these trying times. May He lead and bless you over at Nashville in your important work.

I wish you would tell me to whom to send these reports while you are away from your office. I think last month I sent it to Dr. Love because I knew you were not there. Now I am pretty sure you are not there but I am sending it to you any way. Suppose it matters little.

Trusting you are well and that the big drive will be more than a success, I am as ever, most sincerely yours,

J. E. Davis

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Rev. J. E. Davis,

Box 667, El Paso, Texas.

Dear Davis:-

I am mighty glad to get your letter of September 1st, enclosing your August report. I think your report makes a good showing. I am greatly interested with the way the business end of your enterprise is getting along, I am encouraged over the number of new subscribers you are getting for Atalaya.

I shall be very glad to talk to Dr. Gray when I see him with reference to the border situation. I believe I can correct his bearings about affairs out there, in case I find him out of course.

I am hoping soon to bring to an end the Survey I have been conducting. I have been spending every other week in Nashville during the summer. I have kept my work going here in the office just the same as heretofore. This Survey work was simply an additional burden taken on. It has been heavy enough too, I can assure you, but I hope to come through it soon.

I should like to have extensive notations on the 75,000,000 five year Program made out by you brethren. I have just the bare outline in figures. If I could have some paragraphs, -as many as you can find time to write, -on the various objects, I should be greatly helped. Give me something with life in it. Cheavens might help you. Please let me have this at once.

With every good wish, I am,

Cordially yours,

R/W